

Village of Laurium
Special Council Meeting/Laurium Planning Commission Meeting
Monday, September 12, 2022

The meeting began at 6:00PM in the village council chambers.

Present: Kalen Carlson, Krista Carlson (6:15PM), Jeff Erickson, Jessica Hrebec, Sam Stonelake, John Sullivan, and Daniel Woirol.

Absent: Jennifer Jenich-Laplander and Michael Lehman.

Guests: Will Cronin, John Iacoangeli and Brad Neuman.

The purpose of this meeting was to review the village survey results and how to incorporate these results into the master plan. The top comments from the survey related to blight, streets and sidewalks, nice, quaint neighborhoods and businesses on Hecla Street.

The attendees broke into groups to list the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and challenges in the village. These two lists were narrowed down to one list as follows:

Strengths: Drive to improve the community, historic businesses and homes and low-cost housing.

Weaknesses: Lack of revenue resources and blight and enforcement.

Opportunities: Grant funding, remote working/village charm to attract people and recreation/website to make known what is available.

Challenges: Attracting new businesses, lack of identity, regional blight, population decline and combining with other municipalities.

There will be a community conversation Monday, September 19, 2022 at 6:00PM in the upstairs of the commons at CLK Schools. The goal of this meeting is to find out what the public focus is and prioritize it.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Golus, Clerk

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