

Village of Laurium  
Regular Council Meeting  
Tuesday, March 17, 2020

**Present for Roll Call:** Bausano, Carlson, Erickson, Lanctot, Miller, Schneiderhan and Sullivan.

**Guests:** Jeffrey Kalcich and Robert Kyllonen.

The meeting was called to order in the village council chambers by President Bausano at 5:30PM.

A motion was made by Erickson and seconded by Miller to approve the **agenda** as presented. Carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Lanctot and seconded by Carlson to approve the **minutes** of the February 18, 2020 regular council meeting and the February 28, 2020 budget hearing/special meeting. Yes – Bausano, Carlson, Lanctot, Miller, Schneiderhan and Sullivan. Abstain – Erickson. Carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Lanctot to approve the **prepaid bills** for February/March 2020 in the amount of \$476,052.79 and approve payment of the **merchandise accounts** in the amount of \$27,319.98. Carried 7-0.

### **Committee Reports**

**Finance:** No report.

**Recreation/Parks/Community Relations:** The last day at the George Gipp Arena was March 11, 2020. The status for Little League Baseball is still undecided at this time due to the COVID-19 outbreak. It will be reevaluated once school resumes.

**Public Safety- Police:** One of the officers has resigned. More discussion will be held on this at a later date.

**Public Safety – Fire:** There was a problem with the garage door at the fire hall. Village Administrator Vertin contacted the insurance company and a claim was filed and approved. The door will be replaced.

**Streets/Equipment/Sanitation:** No report.

**Property/Building/Ordinance:** Letters were sent to the Houghton County Treasurer and the State Land Bank Authority in support of the demolition of the property at 116 Osceola St. Sullivan has been retyping the ordinances and the committee will meet again to review the progress.

**Beautification:** No report.

### **Unfinished Business**

Calumet Village has not reached out to Erickson to follow up on Laurium **garbage pickup** in Calumet. Until they do so, this item can be removed from the agenda.

A comparative quote was received from Dell Corporate for new **computers**. A motion was made by Sullivan and seconded by Carlson to approve the bid of \$4101.76 for 4 new computers with Office 365 and an annual subscription of \$87.18/computer. Carried 7-0.

Carlson put together some **evaluation** forms from information she got from the MML website. One is for the Village Administrator where a self-evaluation will be done and each council member will fill out an evaluation. Carlson will compile the results and go over them with Village Administrator Vertin. A different form will be used for the Accounts Clerk and an evaluation will be done by Vertin, Miller, Carlson and Golus. These evaluations will be done and the information reviewed prior to the Statutory meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **New Business**

Due to concerns with the **Corona virus** (COVID-19), the council discussed what measures should be made for the safety of the employees at the village hall. Notices will be placed on the village website and the doors that business should be conducted through the mail, by phone or the meter in front of the hall in order to reduce the risk of infection. Unless otherwise announced, meetings will be held as scheduled.

The **financial statements** for the 2019-20 fiscal year will be completed by the end of the month. After Vertin has reviewed them, a work session will be held to go over the data that was used for the budgets with the council.

A motion was made by Erickson and seconded by Sullivan to proceed with the **police vehicle** grant purchase process. Carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 6:10PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Golus, Clerk

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