

Village of Laurium
Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, May 21, 2019

Present for Roll Call: Bausano, Carlson, Erickson, Lanctot, Miller, Schneiderhan and Sullivan (via phone).

Guests: Kerry Beaghan, Kevin Beaghan, Robert Kyllonen, Edward Vertin and Daniel Zubiena.

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 Schneiderhan to approve the **agenda** as presented. Carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Schneiderhan and seconded by Miller to approve the **minutes** of the April 16, 2019 regular council 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 April/May 2019 in the amount of \$143,901.97 and approve payment of the **merchandise accounts** in the amount of \$28,674.86. Carried 7-0.

Communications to the Council

Kevin Beaghan will begin the prep work for the sidewalks at Daniell Park on June 7th & 8th. The bricks will be installed and the flagpole painted on June 14th & 15th. The village will donate the use of its compactor. After all donations, the project is still short \$500. A motion was made by Lanctot and seconded by Schneiderhan to donate \$500 from the General Fund – Parks account for the remaining cost of this project. Carried 7-0.

Jeff Radcliffe from KEDA was not present to give an update on the **Yard Sale purchase**.

A letter was received from the **Laurium Housing Commission** stating that the term of Randy Golus expires this month. A motion was made by Lanctot and seconded by Erickson to reappoint Randy Golus to a five year term on the Laurium Housing Commission. Carried 7-0.

Greg Kingstrom from UP Engineers & Architects was not present at the meeting but did notify the village that we did not receive the Transportation Economic Development Fund **Category B grant** for Old Colony Road. Village Administrator Vertin will look for other options for fixing this road.

Committee Reports

Finance: No report.

Recreation/Parks/Community Relations: The new picnic tables have been delivered to the baseball fields. Little League baseball has started for the season. After further investigation, the costs to run a bailer for cardboard recycling will most likely not make it feasible to pursue.

Public Safety – Police: The department is addressing properties in violation of the yard maintenance ordinance.

Public Safety – Fire: No report.

Streets/Equipment/Sanitation: Half of the LED lights have been installed at the DPW garage.

Property/Building/Ordinance: No report.

Beautification: The sign and flower bed at the corner of Hecla and Lake Linden Avenue has been replaced. Other than the sign, the other materials for the project have been donated. The flower planters will be put out on the sidewalks soon.

New Business

Calumet Township has a 2004 $\frac{3}{4}$ ton **pickup truck** with a Boss V plow that it is going to be selling. Since the village had to return the other truck purchased from the township because it wasn't being partially used for its intended purpose (firefighting), a third truck is needed. A motion was made by Lanctot and seconded by Erickson to purchase this truck for \$4000. Carried 7-0.

The DPW would like to purchase a **drill press and Band saw** so that they could do almost all of their repair work in house. The matter has been tabled until the cost of our current expenses for these repairs can be determined and whether or not it will be a savings to have our own equipment.

Harold Erkkila will be **retiring** from the Street Department at the end of June. Discussion took place as to how his replacement should be handled. The matter has been tabled until different options have been reviewed.

Erickson and the street committee discussed **parking at the ballfields**. For the benefit of the elderly and coaches who need to haul equipment to Gipp 3, opening the gate to allow vehicles to park near the fields was reviewed. A risk assessment was done and it was noted that the proposed plan would be acceptable. Since the recreation committee and the police had no knowledge of these plans, they would like to have the opportunity to see the proposed plan in place before making a decision. A motion was made by Erickson and seconded by Schneiderhan to hold a special meeting on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at 5:00PM to review the proposed parking plan for the baseball fields. Carried 7-0. All council members are encouraged to view the changes before the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:17PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Golus, Clerk

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