

Village of Laurium
Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 15, 2019

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

Guests: Deb Dlubala, Jeff Kalcich, Greg Kingstrom, Robert Kyllonen, Connie Mikkola, Rebekka Mikkola and Edward Vertin.

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

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

A motion was made by Schneiderhan and seconded by Sullivan to approve the **minutes** of the September 19, 2019 regular council meeting. Yes – Bausano, Lanctot, Miller, Schneiderhan and Sullivan. Abstain – Carlson and Erickson. Carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Carlson to approve the **prepaid bills** for September/October in the amount of \$106,352.37 and approve payment of the **merchandise accounts** in the amount of \$39,606.00. Carried 7-0.

Communications to the Council

Greg Kingstrom from UP Engineers & Architects was present to discuss the street projects for 2020. A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Erickson to authorize President Bausano and Village Administrator Vertin to sign the **direct grant program application** for the Category B grant for Old Colony Road. Carried 7-0. A motion was made by Erickson and seconded by Sullivan to contract with UPEA for engineering services for the **First Street paving/Calumet St drainage project**. Carried 7-0.

Sullivan, Vertin and Jeff & Sam from KEDA met to discuss the RRC Self Evaluation Plan for the village. A mission statement and 5 year plan is needed. Another area to be discussed is the village's social media presence. The topics in the Self Evaluation Plan will be an ongoing project over the next year or so.

Committee Reports

Finance: No report.

Recreation/Parks/Community Relations: In March 2020, it will be the 125th anniversary of the Village of Laurium. Over the winter, plans will be made for a celebration of this event next summer.

Public Safety – Police: The no night parking ban will take effect on November 1st and it will be publicized in the paper and on the website.

Public Safety – Fire: No report.

Streets/Equipment/Sanitation: The Village of Calumet is interested in contracting Laurium for garbage service. A meeting will be held next week to discuss the details. The equipment authorized for purchase last month has arrived and is in use. For the November meeting, Erickson will have more information on the possible purchase of a roller.

Property/Building/Ordinance: The committee is going to review all of the ordinances to see if they are still applicable and also make sure they are published on the website. The eviction process at 140 Florida Street is still ongoing.

Beautification: The DPW picked up the planters and will store them for the winter.

Unfinished Business

UPPCo approved the street light pole hanging planters. A liner was requested from UPPCo so that the planter doesn't scratch the poles. A motion was made by Sullivan and seconded by Schneiderhan to move forward on the **prototype** for the baskets. Carried 7-0.

New Business

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Carlson to have **trick or treat hours** from 5:00PM – 8:00PM on October 31st. Carried 7-0. Help is need for filling the bags and for handing them out at the annual Halloween party at the George Gipp Arena. The CHS Drama Club will be having a haunted house at the arena on Saturday, October 26th and Thursday, October 31st from 5:00PM-10:00PM.

A motion was made by Lanctot and seconded by Erickson to increase the **ice rental rates** from \$120.00/hour to \$125.00/hour. Carried 7-0. The other rental rates will stay the same as last year.

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Sullivan to increase the **sidewalk plowing rate** from \$2.10/lineal ft. to \$2.23/lineal ft., **snow contracts** from \$.32/sq. ft. to \$.50/sq. ft. for plowing and from \$.32/sq. ft. to \$.34/sq. ft. for hauling. Carried 7-0.

Starting in November, a public comment time will be added to the agenda. There will be a time limit as to how long each person can speak.

The meeting adjourned at 6:05PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Golus, Clerk

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