

Meeting called to order at 5:30 P.M.

President W. Dompier opened the meeting.

Present at Roll Call: Antonio Cerroni, Anthony Mayo, Sandy Johnson, Scott Koski and Wendell Dompier

Absent: Paul Stark, Jeannine Mayo

Also Present: LeAnn LeClaire, Village Manager

Diane Mayo, Village Clerk

Irvin Smith, Chief of Police

Michael Greutz, Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC

Motion made by A. Cerroni seconded A. Mayo by to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on September 8, 2020

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: P. Stark, J. Mayo

Motion Carried.

Serene Gauthier, KBIC Environmental Response Program, was present to discuss recycling programs available through the KBIC Solid Waste Facility for Baraga County Residents. They offer an E-Waste Recycling Event on the first Saturday of each month from 9:00 AM till noon. For a minimal charge you can drop off televisions, monitors, desk top printers and microwaves. There are no charges for dropping off desktops/laptops/tablets (mixed) or laptops (separated). On Saturday, October 24, they are offering a Tire Drop Off Event for ten tires per household free of charge from 8:00 AM till noon. No rims, semi tires or tractor tires are allowed. On the first Saturday of each month, they are offering Used Oil Recycling from 9:00 AM till 11:00 AM. Residents in Baraga County can drop off up to ten gallons of motor and hydraulic oil free of charge.

Motion made by A. Cerroni seconded by S. Johnson to approve the sale to Peter Massie of Lot 2 in the Industrial Park for \$9,366.00 and Lot 3 in the Industrial Park for \$8,400.00.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: P. Stark, J. Mayo

Motion carried.

Michael Greutz, Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC, was present to discuss the audit. Net position for the Village as a whole increased by \$1,917,207 as a result of this year's operations. Net position of the governmental activities increased by 17 per cent and net position of the business-type activities increased by 16 percent. During the year, the Village had expenses for governmental activities that were \$940,767 and revenues and transfers totaling \$1,182,293. During the year, the Village has expenses for business-type activities that were \$3,500,973 and revenues and transfer totaling \$5,176,654. The General Fund reported a fund balance of

\$239,621. The net decrease in fund balance of \$56,070 was \$42,855 less than the forecasted decrease of \$98,925. M. Greutz discussed due to tribal exempt land the Village of Baraga is not getting as much as other municipalities in property taxes. Sewer Fund rates need to be increased. An increase in Water Fund rates is needed in the next budgeting cycle. Local Street Fund needs to be built up again. No major projects are anticipated. All in all, he believes the Village is trending in the right direction.

Trick or Treat hours were set for 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. on October 31, 2020.

The Police Report was given by I. Smith, Chief of Police. Thirty-one complaints were received in the month of September. Two arrests were made. Four hundred thirty-five property checks were completed. I. Smith stated he has had quite a few salvage vehicle inspections. The Public Safety Payroll Reimbursement Grant the Village Manager applied for payroll expenses in April and May was approved in the amount of \$13,898.00 which was half of the requested amount. She also applied for a First Responders Hazard Pay Grant for \$1,000.00 per police officer which was also received.

L. LeClaire, Village Manager, gave the Manager Report. She contacted MDOT regarding having a speed study for US 41 in the Village of Baraga. She was informed that there are not enough supporting documents to request a speed study. The accidents need to be speed related to qualify and there has not be enough in that category. MDOT approved the Walking Trail with the current speed limit. Excessive damage was done to the Baraga Cemetery on September 25, 2020, during a storm. The DPW crew spent three days cleaning it up and an insurance claim has been filed. WPPI did an excellent job restoring power in Baraga and L'Anse due to the storm. Mutual aid workers from Eagle River, Norway, Florence, Crystal Falls, Negaunee and REA also were on hand to help with the storm damage. WPPI Funds for Covid-19 were distributed as follows: \$500.00 to Baraga Area Schools Junior Class for the Senior banners; \$1,000.00 to Bayside Village for activities; \$500.00 to Baragaland Senior Citizens for activities; and \$1,000.00 to Ripple House for operation expenses.

L. LeClaire, Village Manager, gave the DPW Report. Work was done on sidewalks. Ditching was done, culverts were replaced and some catch basins were lowered. They also were busy with the cemetery clean up and black topping.

Discussion on the recreation building was tabled.

Motion made by S. Johnson seconded by A. Cerroni to pay the bills when the monies become available.

Check	Vendor Name	Amount
40828	HOUGHTON COUNTY TREASURER	700.00
40837	CLAIMCHOICE ADMINISTRATORS	321.55
40838	DAVID APGER	45.43

40839	WESTERN UPPER PENINSULA HEALTH DEPT	75.00
40845	DAVID APGER	271.24
40846	MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE	1,241.00
40851	DALE, REBECCA	150.00
40852	SCHJOTH, LISA	40.59
40853	MICHIGAN RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION	310.00
40854	BAYSIDE VILLAGE	1,000.00
40855	BARAGA LAND SENIOR CITIZENS	500.00
40856	IRVIN SMITH	1,000.00
40857	MATT SHALIFOE	1,000.00
40858	IRVIN SMITH	50.00
40859	CAREY, INC	5,150.00
40864	ASSOCIATED BANK	2,622.09
40865	ROBERT JOHNSON	41.54
40866	ANDERSON, TACKMAN & CO, PLC	2,750.00
40867	CLAIMCHOICE ADMINISTRATORS	347.58
40868	UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	256.55
40869	MID-CONTINENT CASUALTY CO	500.00
40870	RIPPLE RECOVERY HOUSE	1,000.00
40876	JASON MANTILA	50.00
40877	JOSH TAISTO	50.00
40878	LEANN LECLAIRE	375.00
40879	MATT SHALIFOE	50.00
40880	ROBERT JOHNSON	50.00
40881	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	917.00
40882	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	3,192.00
40883	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	9,129.00
40884	TIM WADAGA	50.00
40885	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	24,558.00
40886	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	4,700.00
40887	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	517.00
40888	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	517.00
40889	WILLIAM OLSEN	50.00
40890	CHERIE KOSKI	50.00
40891	CINDY LATENDRESSE	60.00
40892	DAVID APGER	50.00
40893	GERARD LINDEMANN	50.00
40894	IRVIN SMITH	50.00
40895	MCAAA ENERGY PROGRAM	4,250.00
40896	STATE OF MICHIGAN	727.66
40897	IRVIN SMITH	50.00
40898	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	5,190.00

40899	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
40920	DAVID APGER	94.30
40921	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
40922	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
40923	AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	300.73
40924	BARAGA COUNTY CONCRETE CO	340.00
40925	BARAGA TELEPHONE COMPANY	901.14
40926	BAY AMBULANCE INC	166.00
40927	BAY AUTO PARTS OF BARAGA INC	163.84
40928	BAY ELECTRIC	10,370.00
40929	EAGLE RIVER LIGHT & WATER	2,652.18
40930	HAATAJA TRUCKING	3,874.03
40931	HOMESTEAD GRAPHICS & DESIGN	40.00
40932	HOUGHTON COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPT	600.00
40933	IRBY	690.00
40934	L ANSE SENTINEL	89.40
40935	LARRY S MARKET INC	12.95
40936	NORTH CENTRAL LABORATORIES INC	65.89
40937	NORTH COUNTRY DESIGN	12.00
40938	NORTHERN OIL 1 INC	1,360.29
40939	OK RENTAL SALES & SERVICE	237.66
40940	U P ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS INC	4,366.10
40941	U P ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS INC	4,428.00
40942	U P POWER COMPANY	98.09
40943	VERIZON WIRELESS	80.08
40944	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	1,982.75
40945	WASTE MANAGEMENT	487.54
40946	WILKINSON S STORE	355.28
40947	AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	424.83
40948	ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVICES INC	71.46
40949	BARAGA COUNTY CONCRETE CO	4,352.00
40950	BORDER STATES ELECTRIC SUPPLY	382.75
40953	CORE & MAIN	1,419.45
40955	ERICKSON TRUE VALUE & LUMBER	733.87
40956	ETNA SUPPLY	1,803.42
40958	HAATAJA TRUCKING	935.60
40960	MITCH S TRADING POST	159.00
40961	NORTH CENTRAL LABORATORIES INC	38.72
40962	OK RENTAL SALES & SERVICE	189.95
40963	QUILL CORPORATION	112.54
40964	SEMCO ENERGY	350.53
40965	WHITE WATER ASSOCIATES INC	250.00
40966	IRVIN SMITH	50.00

TOTAL

119,172.60

Ayes: All
Nays: None
Absent: P. Stark, J. Mayo
Motion Carried.

Motion made by S. Johnson seconded by A. Mayo to adjourn.

Ayes: All
Nays: None
Absent: P. Stark, J. Mayo
Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

Submitted by Diane Mayo, Village Clerk