

Meeting called to order at 5:45 P.M.

President W. Dompier opened the meeting.

Present at Roll Call: Paul Stark, Jeannine Mayo, Tony Cerroni, Scott Koski and Wendell Dompier

Absent: Anthony Mayo and Sandy Johnson

Also Present: LeAnn LeClaire, Village Manager  
Diane Mayo, Village Clerk  
Irvin Smith, Chief of Police  
Joshua Harju, UPEA Engineers & Architects

Motion made by T. Cerroni seconded by P. Stark to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on November 7, 2022.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: A. Mayo, S. Johnson

Motion carried.

The Public Hearing to close out the Michigan Community Development Block Grant for Waste Water Treatments Improvements opened at 5:45 P.M. on December 13, 2022.

J. Harju, UPEA Engineers was present at the meeting to discuss the completed lagoon work project. All valves were replaced. If the valves are exercised regularly, they should last fifty years. If they are not exercised regularly, they will probably last only twenty-five years.

Public Comment: None

The Public Hearing to close out the Michigan Community Development Block Grant for Waste Water Treatment Improvements closed at 5:47 P.M. on December 13, 2022.

The following council members were sworn in: Paul Stark, Tony Cerroni, Scott Koski and Wendell Dompier.

The council accepted with regret the resignation of council trustee, Anthony Mayo, effective December 13, 2022. Mr. Mayo has moved out of the Village of Baraga. Applications for the remainder of his term will be advertised in the L'Anse Sentinel.

Public Comment: A representative from WUPDR did arrive after the public hearing for the closing of the Waste Water Treatments Improvements Project. She stated the project went really well and was one of the best projects completed. Everything was done in accordance with the guidelines.

Motion made by P. Stark seconded by T. Cerroni to approve Resolution 2022-12-13-01 which is a resolution of the Village Council of Baraga adopting a policy prohibiting the use of excessive force against non-violent civil rights demonstrators.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: A. Mayo, S. Johnson

Motion carried.

Motion made by P. Stark seconded by J. Mayo to approve Resolution 2012-12-13-02 Category B Grant Authorization of Signatures for the rehabilitation of several roads in the Village of Baraga.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: A. Mayo, S. Johnson

Motion carried.

Motion made by J. Mayo seconded by P. Stark to approve Resolution 2022-12-13-03 Authorizing the Grant Application Submittal for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Sparks Grant.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: A. Mayo, S. Johnson

Motion carried.

The Police Report was given by I. Smith, Chief of Police. Eighteen complaints were received in the month of November. No arrests were made. Two hundred eight-five property checks were completed.

L. LeClaire, Village Manager, gave the Manager Report. MDOT rejected the bid for Phase 2 of the Walking Trail. Bidding will have to be done again in February. L. LeClaire had a meeting with WWPI on changing the Village's billing system to North Star Billing through WWPI. The Village of Baraga is currently the only UP community not utilizing the billing system. Brett Niemi Will be coming to the February council meeting to discuss the billing system. The utilization of the system will eventually switch our metering to AMI for electric and water. This will come at an opportune time since the current meter reader has turned in her resignation. Four electrical poles have been replaced by Pieper. The work came in under budget and one or two more poles are contemplated for this year.

The DPW Report was given by L. LeClaire, Village Manager. Several employees had vacations during the month of November. An employee in the water plant will be out for eight weeks due to a leg injury. Plowing, water plant maintenance and life station maintenance was performed by the workers.

The time of the monthly council meetings will be changed to 5:30 P.M. instead of 5:45 P.M. They will continue to be on the second Tuesday of each month.

A representative of the General Teamsters Local Union No. 406 was present to discuss the contract proposal to become effective on March 1, 2023. It would be a three year agreement. The big change would be to update the hourly wage scale.

Motion made by W. Dompier seconded by T. Cerroni to go into Closed Meeting at 6:30 P.M. to discuss the Contract Proposal between the Baraga Village and the General Teamsters Local Union No. 406 I.B.T.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: A. Mayo, S. Johnson

Motion carried.

Meeting went into Closed Session at 6:30 P.M. for the Contract Proposal between the Village of Baraga and the General Teamsters Local Union No. 406 on December 13, 2022.

Meeting went back into Open Session at 6:39 P.M for the Contract Proposal between the Village of Baraga and the General Teamsters Local Union No. 406 on December 13, 2022.

Present at Roll Call: Paul Stark, Jeannine Mayo, Tony Cerroni, Scott Koski and Wendell Dompier

Absent: Anthony Mayo and Sandy Johnson

Also Present: LeAnn LeClaire, Village Manager

Diane Mayo, Village Clerk

Irvin Smith, Chief of Police

Motion made by J. Mayo seconded by P. Stark to approve the Contract Proposal Between the Baraga Village and General Teamsters Local Union No. 406 I.B.T. to become effective on March 1, 2023 through February 28, 2026.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: A. Mayo, S. Johnson

Motion carried.

M. Shalifoe, Village of Baraga police officer, presented his Union Proposal on behalf of the Baraga Police Association. He stated he has more experience but less money than other area police officers.

Motion made by J. Mayo seconded by T. Cerroni to go into Closed Session at 6:50 P.M. to discuss the proposed three year police contract for M. Shalifoe.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: A. Mayo, S. Johnson

Motion carried.

Meeting went into Closed Session at 6:50 P.M. for the proposed three year police contract for M. Shalifoe on December 13, 2022.

Meeting went back into Open Session at 7:07 P.M. for the proposed three year police contract for M. Shalifoe on December 13, 2022.

Present at Roll Call: Paul Stark, Jeannine Mayo Tony Cerroni, Scott Koski and Wendell Dompier

Absent: Anthony Mayo and Sandy Johnson

Also Present: LeAnn LeClaire, Village Manager  
Diane Mayo, Village Clerk

W. Dompier informed Mr. Shalifoe that they will offer him the same wages as the teamsters' contract proposal agreed upon earlier in the meeting. Mr. Shalifoe will contemplate the wages and give the council his decision at the next council meeting.

Motion made by J. Mayo seconded by P. Stark to pay the bills when the monies become available.

Check	Vendor Name	Amount
43837	ZARNOTH BRUSH WORKS INC	1,622.45
43838	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
43839	HOMESTEAD GRAPHICS & DESIGN	50.00
43840	U P ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS INC	1,500.00
43841	U P ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS INC	1,033.00
43842	LEANN LECLAIRE	124.68
43849	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
43850	CLAIMCHOICE ADMINISTRATORS	265.79
43905	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	887.24
43855	ANDERSON, TACKMAN & CO, PLC	2,200.00
43856	ASSOCIATED BANK	1,448.36
43857	COMPASS MINERALS	12,022.16
43858	MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL WORKERS	560.00
43859	QUILL CORPORATION	224.98
43860	ELECTRIC POWER SYSTEMS	10,823.00
43861	RIPPLE RECOVERY HOUSE	560.00
43869	COMPASS MINERALS	7,985.72
43870	UTILITY SALES AND SERVICE	2,463.63
43871	UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	252.00
43872	STATE OF MICHIGAN	695.07

43876	CHERIE KOSKI	50.00
43877	CINDY LATENDRESSE	90.00
43878	DAVID APGER	50.00
43879	GERARD LINDEMANN	50.00
43880	IRVIN SMITH	50.00
43881	JASON MANTILA	50.00
43882	JOSH TAISTO	50.00
43883	LEANN LECLAIRE	375.00
43884	MATT SHALIFOE	50.00
43885	ROBERT JOHNSON	50.00
43886	SEMCO ENERGY	2,609.25
43887	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	1,453.11
43888	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	3,192.00
43889	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	9,129.00
43890	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	4,900.00
43891	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	4,900.00
43892	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	1,667.00
43893	TIM WADAGA	50.00
43894	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	24,558.00
43895	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	4,700.00
43896	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	5,190.00
43897	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	517.00
43898	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	517.00
43899	VISION METERING, LLC	1,040.00
43900	WILLIAM OLSEN	50.00
43901	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK WESTERN UPPER PENINSULA PLANNING	15,939.79
43902		1,430.00
43903	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	10,000.00
43906	U P POWER COMPANY	162.05
43907	VERIZON WIRELESS	80.02
43908	IRVIN SMITH	50.00
43909	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
43912	CLAIMCHOICE ADMINISTRATORS	1,607.14
43913	U P POWER COMPANY	151.67
43914	AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	149.83
43915	ASSOCIATED BANK	660.41
43916	BARAGA TELEPHONE COMPANY	798.82
43917	BAY AUTO PARTS OF BARAGA INC	739.65
43918	DORNER COMPANY	937.50
43919	ERICKSON TRUE VALUE & LUMBER	312.74
43920	HAWKINS, INC	767.83
43921	HOUGHTON COUNTY TREASURER	200.00

43922	L ANSE SENTINEL	382.16
43923	LACOURT BOTTLED GAS CO	18.00
43924	LARRY S MARKET INC	296.70
43925	LASER NORTH	107.05
43926	NORTH COUNTRY DESIGN	78.50
43927	NORTHERN OIL 1 INC	1,981.55
43928	PINES CONVEINCE CENTER	108.41
43929	QUILL CORPORATION	122.30
43930	ROAD MACHINERY & SUPPLIES	479.75
43931	STATE OF MICHIGAN	400.00
43932	STATE OF MICHIGAN	180.00
43933	U P ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS INC	549.00
43934	UPPER PENINSULA ECONOMIC	125.00
43935	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	10,229.72
43936	WASTE MANAGEMENT	676.16
43937	WILKINSON S STORE	262.94
43904	STATE OF MICHIGAN	6,791.62
	TOTAL	<hr/> 166,906.75

Ayes: All  
Nays: None  
Absent: A. Mayo, S. Johnson  
Motion Carried.

Motion made by P. Stark seconded by T. Cerroni to adjourn.  
Ayes: All  
Nays: None  
Absent: A. Mayo, S. Johnson  
Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:14 P.M.

Submitted by Diane Mayo, Village Clerk