

Meeting called to order at 5:00 P.M.

President W. Dompier opened the meeting.

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

Also Present: LeAnn LeClaire, Village Manager
Diane Mayo, Village Clerk
Joshua Harju, U.P. Engineers & Architects, Inc.

Motion made by J. Mayo seconded by T. Olson to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on April 13, 2023.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Jerry Pelon and Anthony Mayo were present to discuss the next phase of the Walking Trail. Preparation is being made for the trail and stakes have been put in the ground detailing the route. They are upset with the placement of the trail. Mr. Pelon is upset about the amount of his yard the trail will consume. Mr. Mayo, former council member, will lose space on his business property when the trail is completed. Although he was a council member when the route was reviewed, he did not realize the exact location of the trail in regard to the businesses and other property owners. J. Mayo, council member, agreed with him. Joshua Harju, U.P. Engineers and Architects, said the revisions were made about two years ago by MDOT in an attempt to keep the trail separated from the road as much as possible. The changes were presented to the council at that time and no objections were made then. However, he will contact MDOT again to see if they will shift the route closer to the road.

Harry Miron, Baraga County Trails Authority, was present to discuss the road blocks he has encountered for the trail system being developed in Baraga county. The trail can not go through the Baraga State Park property unless those utilizing the trail are campers at the park. Also, CN Railroad does not want to pull up the railroad tracks. However, the tracks are not being used and there are no future plans for the tracks. The Village of Baraga and the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community would like to see the railroad tracks taken out. L. LeClaire will write a letter to Rep. Jack Bergman in an attempt to help with the situation.

The Village of Baraga is applying for a grant to fund their pension. The pension is currently 42.5% funded and the Village wants to request the maximum grant amount of \$779,791.00 to bring the fund up to be 60% funded.

Motion made by S. Johnson seconded by S. Koski to approve Resolution 2023-05-09-01 which approves and designates Village Manager, LeAnn LeClaire, to apply for Protecting MI Pension Grant Program Funds in the amount of \$770,791.00.

Ayes: All

Nays: Nays
Motion carried.

Two bids were received for the Category B Grant. The Village of Baraga previously entered into an agreement with the State of Michigan to receive a 50% grant up to \$215,992.00 to be fully utilized to fund the project. The Village will pay the remainder of the project.

Motion made by P. Stark seconded by T. Cerroni to approve Resolution 2023-05-09-02 to accept the low bid of \$440,370.46 from Payne and Dolan, Inc for the Village of Baraga – Road Rehabilitation Project. The resolution also authorizes the Village Manager and/or the Village President as the designated representatives to sign the necessary documents throughout the project. .

Ayes: P. Stark, T. Cerroni, T. Olson, S. Johnson, S. Koski, W. Dompier
Nays: J. Mayo
Motion carried.

The Baraga Lumberjack Committee has requested street closures on July 3 and 4th for their annual celebration.

Motion made by J. Mayo seconded by T. Olson to close Superior Ave on July 3, 2023, starting at State St. north to M-38 for the community dance. On July 4th, Superior Ave will be closed from 8:00 A.M. to the conclusion of the parade from the Baraga Armory north to M-38. After the parade, Superior Ave will be closed from First St north to M-38 until fireworks have concluded. The liquor license for beer and wine coolers on July 3rd was also approved.

Ayes: All
Nays: None
Motion carried.

The Police Report was reviewed. Twenty-five complaints were received in the month of April. One arrest was made. Three hundred ninety-five property checks were completed. I. Smith also attended the Criminal Justice Administrator's Conference on April 18-April 19, 2023 at the Holiday Inn in Marquette, Michigan.

L. LeClaire, Village Manager, gave the Manager Report. The SRF Funding for sewer was submitted. The Sidetrack property was sold to the Baraga County Land Bank. Bids will be requested for the demolition of the building in the near future. L. LeClaire was unable to attend the Prison Liasson Meeting. However, I. Smith, Chief of Police, attended and gave an update. Warden Kris Taskila retired on April 27, 2023. Jeff Howard was promoted to Assistant Warden. The prison currently has sixty-six job vacancies and another seven job vacancies in the health care field. Last July, the prison had seven hundred mandates of workers and they are predicting nine hundred to one thousand this July.

The DPW Report was given by L. LeClaire, Village Manager. The crew has been plowing and sweeping streets. They also repaired damage at the Kid's Park bathroom. A dock was repaired and all docks are now in. Ditches and drains were also cleaned.. Although they have fulfilled their required lead investigation for the DWAM Grant, they will be doing more lead investigations. There is extra funding so they plan on doing the investigations until the funds are depleted. Road patching will be done as soon as blacktop is received at the end of the month.

The WPPI Scholarship was awarded to MaKayla Smith.

Motion made by J. Mayo seconded by T. Cerroni to donate \$1,000.00 to the Baraga Lumberjack Committee for services rendered,

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Motion made by T. Cerroni seconded by P. Stark to donate \$500.00 for flags for the cemeteries to the Baraga American Legion for services rendered.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Motion made by S. Johnson seconded by J. Mayo to pay the bills when the monies become available.

Check	Vendor Name	Amount
44426	U P ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS INC	2,951.00
44427	U P ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS INC	955.00
44428	IRVIN SMITH	50.00
44436	WILLIAM OLSEN	275.00
44437	IRVIN SMITH	98.25
44438	WENDELL DOMPIER	419.20
44439	MIDWEST FIRE	281,077.00
44446	ASSOCIATED BANK	3,585.61
44447	BAY AMBULANCE INC	300.00
44448	CLAIMCHOICE ADMINISTRATORS	719.90
44449	CRANE ENGINEERING	40,602.00
44450	KEWEENAW FIRE SALES & SERVICE	348.00
44451	U P ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS INC	4,457.00
44452	U P ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS INC	750.00
44454	UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	257.90
44455	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
44456	DWAYNE SMITH	782.90
44457	JEFF MAYO	82.41
44462	DAVID APGER	148.68
44463	CHERIE KOSKI	50.00
44464	DAVID APGER	50.00
44465	GERARD LINDEMANN	50.00

44467	JASON MANTILA	50.00
44468	JOSH TAISTO	50.00
44469	KENT THOMAS	60.00
44470	LEANN LECLAIRE	375.00
44471	MATT SHALIFOE	50.00
44472	ROBERT JOHNSON	50.00
44473	SEMCO ENERGY	2,916.38
44474	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	1,453.11
44475	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	3,192.00
44476	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	9,129.00
44477	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	4,900.00
44478	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	4,900.00
44479	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	1,667.00
44480	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	2,452.12
44481	TIM WADAGA	50.00
44482	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	14,420.00
44483	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	4,700.00
44484	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	5,190.00
44485	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	517.00
44486	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	517.00
44487	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	24,558.00
44488	WILLIAM OLSEN	50.00
44489	STATE OF MICHIGAN	721.08
44490	WILLIAM OLSEN	349.99
44491	IRVIN SMITH	50.00
44495	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
44496	DAVID APGER	49.78
44497	AMERICAN LEGION POST #444	500.00
44498	AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOC	400.00
44499	AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	78.64
44500	BARAGA COUNTY MEMORIAL	102.00
44501	BARAGA LUMBERJACK DAYS	1,000.00
44502	BARAGA TELEPHONE COMPANY	940.00
44503	BAY AMBULANCE INC	115.15
44504	BAY AUTO PARTS OF BARAGA INC	1,348.67
44505	BELL LUMBER & POLE COMPANY	22,454.37
44506	BIANCO PLUMBING AND HEATING	37.95
44507	BS&A SOFTWARE	3,347.00
44508	ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE ASSOC	347.68
44509	ERICKSON TRUE VALUE & LUMBER	415.45
44510	HAATAJA TRUCKING	100.00
44511	HAWKINS, INC	290.71
44512	IDEXX DISTRIBUTION CORP	3,979.84

	INDUSTRIAL MARKETING &	
44513	CONSULTING	73.69
44514	JOSEPH P O LEARY	500.00
44515	L ANSE SENTINEL	133.00
44516	MAKAYLA SMITH	1,000.00
44517	MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE	1,365.00
44518	MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL WORKERS	10,492.14
44519	MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL WORKERS	749.86
44520	MITCH S TRADING POST	169.99
44521	NBS CALIBRATIONS	382.00
44522	NORTH COUNTRY DESIGN	12.50
44523	NORTHERN OIL 1 INC	1,653.11
44524	PINES CONVEINCE CENTER	91.01
44525	POWER SYSTEM ENGINEERING	2,993.00
44526	QUILL CORPORATION	496.09
44527	STANDARD ELECTRIC CO	225.30
44528	STATE OF MICHIGAN	3,180.48
44529	THRUN LAW FIRM, PC	1,450.00
44530	U P POWER COMPANY	232.07
44531	VERIZON WIRELESS	80.02
44532	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	9,033.90
44533	WASTE MANAGEMENT	636.94
44534	WILKINSON S STORE	379.22
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	Total	\$491,264.09

Ayes: All
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

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

Ayes: All
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned on May 9, 2023 at 5:53 P.M.

Submitted by Diane Mayo, Village Clerk