

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

President W. Dompier opened the meeting.

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

Absent: Paul Stark

Also Present: LeAnn LeClaire, Village Manager

Diane Mayo, Village Clerk

Irvin Smith, Chief of Police

Motion made by T. Cerroni seconded by T. Olson to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on June 13, 2023.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: P. Stark

Motion carried.

Motion made by S. Johnson seconded by T. Olson to approve no increase in the Operating Millage for 2023.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: P. Stark

Motion carried.

Public Comment:

A Village resident was present to discuss a letter he got from a company stating that his house warranty was expiring. He researched it and found it to be a scam. Council member, J. Mayo, stated that she has been getting similar e-mails and the Village of Baraga is mentioned in the e-mail. I. Smith, Chief of Police will investigate the matter further.

L. LeClaire, Village Manager, discussed the fact that there isn't anyone in the area that wants to be a building inspector due to the increased paperwork involved. Future inspections will need to be done by a State inspector.

Motion made by S. Johnson seconded by J. Mayo to approve Ordinance No. 260 which is an ordinance to rescind the Village's Assumption of Authority of the Michigan Building Code Inspections. It delegates the administration and enforcement of the Michigan Building Code within the Village of Baraga to the State of Michigan Bureau of construction Codes and its state building inspectors.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: P. Stark

Motion carried.

Water Plant workers, Dave Apger and Rob Johnson, were present to discuss the ELGE Violation notice which is being sent to all of the Village residents. D. Harden had discussed the problem regarding the set parameters with a State inspector in January, 2022. The inspector was going to make the necessary changes but failed to do so. A notice was given to the Village of Baraga on June 15, 2023 citing a violation and it is legally bound to send the letters. However, D. Apger immediately contacted the previous inspector in regards to the parameter problem. The inspector apologized and a notice was received on June 20, 2023 stating that the Water Quality Parameter Designation has been changed the Village of Baraga is not in violation of it.

The Police Report was given by I. Smith, Chief of Police. Twenty-three complaints were received in the month of June. One arrest was made. Three hundred eighty-five property checks were completed. Chief Smith and Officer Shalifoe, along with other local law enforcement workers, attended training on June 21, 2023, which consisted of having a major disaster drill in L'Anse. Bay Ambulance and Baraga County Memorial Hospital also participated in the drill.

W. Dompier, Village President, discussed the speeding problem in the Village of Baraga. He suggested purchasing a piece of equipment that would collect information on the peak speeding times. I. Smith researched the subject and discovered the equipment would cost \$17,000.00. Instead of purchasing the equipment, it was decided to crack down on the speeders and issue more tickets.

The August Council Meeting will be held on August 15, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

L. LeClaire, Village Manager, gave the Manager Report. Phase 2 of the Walking Trail is moving along as scheduled. Applications have been submitted for the Phase 3 Water Project and the Sparks Grant for the Ice Rink. Signs will be put up at the park on the All-Wood property stating that camping and overnight parking on the property is not permitted. L. LeClaire and C. Koski, Office Manager, will have three weeks of training on the new North Star Billing. Village customers will be receiving an insert along with their Village bill. The insert will explain how to sign into their Village account online. They will also be able to check their utility usage along with other features. DEQ is digging at the basketball court. When boring was done last year, some contamination was found and the soil needs to be removed. This is from when Northern Oil owned the property and they are responsible for the cost.

The DPW Report was given by L. LeClaire, Village Manager. The crew has black topped some patches and stained the boardwalk at the marina. They were busy setting up and taking down various decorations and equipment for the 4th of July celebration. Culverts and catch basins were placed on Hemlock St. A sewer line was fixed on Tapio St. and a water leak was fixed at the basketball court.

Motion made by T. Olson seconded by J. Mayo to pay the bills when the monies become available.

Check	Vendor Name	Amount
44672	CLAIMCHOICE ADMINISTRATORS	641.34
44673	JCS INC	2,055.00
44674	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
44675	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
44676	MARQUETTE MENARDS	131.99
44680	INFOSEND, INC	349.00
44681	MARQUETTE MENARDS	1,300.20
44682	QUILL CORPORATION	34.98
44683	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
44684	UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	267.88
44685	LEANN LECLAIRE	300.00
44686	DAVID APGER	64.84
44688	CHERIE KOSKI	50.00
44689	CLAIMCHOICE ADMINISTRATORS	621.03
44690	DAVID APGER	50.00
44691	GERARD LINDEMANN	50.00
44692	IRVIN SMITH	50.00
44693	JASON MANTILA	50.00
44694	JOSH TAISTO	50.00
44695	KENT THOMAS	60.00
44696	LEANN LECLAIRE	375.00
44697	MATT SHALIFOE	50.00
44698	ROBERT JOHNSON	50.00
44699	SPECIALTY SALES	96.30
44700	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	1,453.11
44701	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	3,192.00
44702	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	9,129.00
44703	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	4,900.00
44704	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	4,900.00
44705	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	1,667.00
44706	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	2,452.12
44707	TIM WADAGA	50.00
44708	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	4,700.00
44709	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	5,190.00
44710	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	517.00
44711	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	517.00
44712	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	14,420.00
44713	WILLIAM OLSEN	50.00
44714	STATE OF MICHIGAN	722.49
44717	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	24,558.00
44718	IRVIN SMITH	25.00

44719	BARAGA TELEPHONE COMPANY	1,689.29
44720	BARAGA COUNTY PHYSICIAN GROUP	180.00
44721	KIMEWON, GEORGE	53.34
44722	VILLAGE OF L ANSE	592.15
44726	SEMCO ENERGY	664.27
44727	UPPER PENINSULA FIREFIGHTERS	45.00
44728	VERIZON WIRELESS	80.06
44730	DANIEL HAMMERBERG	2,200.00
44731	MICHAEL DEFINA	2,200.00
44732	ROTARY MULTIFORMS INC	219.50
44734	AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	81.46
44735	BARAGA TELEPHONE COMPANY	1,170.84
44736	BAY AUTO PARTS OF BARAGA INC	1,126.17
44737	BORDER STATES ELECTRIC SUPPLY	7,808.31
44738	ELCOM SYSTEMS	118.55
44739	ERICKSON TRUE VALUE & LUMBER	57.54
44740	ETNA SUPPLY	348.54
44741	HAATAJA TRUCKING	1,193.47
44742	HANNULA AGENCY	764.00
44743	HAWKINS, INC	1,389.89
44744	K&D FABRICATING & REPAIR	100.00
44745	KBIC SOLID WASTE FACILITY	68.40
44746	L ANSE SENTINEL	627.68
44747	NORTH COUNTRY DESIGN	18.50
44748	NORTHERN OIL 1 INC	5,032.70
44749	PAYNE AND DOLAN INC	7,635.60
44750	QUILL CORPORATION	124.67
44751	SUPERIORLAND SERVICES INC	193.34
44752	U P POWER COMPANY	285.47
44753	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	8,182.19
44754	VILLAGE OF L ANSE	2,326.80
44755	WASTE MANAGEMENT	677.99
44756	WCUP RADIO	84.00
44757	WHITE WATER ASSOCIATES INC	1,062.58
44758	WILKINSON S STORE	419.65
44759	POWER SYSTEM ENGINEERING	70.00
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	TOTAL	134,107.23

Ayes: All
Nays: None
Absent: P. Stark
Motion carried

Motion made by T. Cerroni seconded by J. Mayo to adjourn.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: P. Stark

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned on July 11, 2023 at 5:41 P.M. .

Submitted by Diane Mayo, Village Clerk