

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
Michael Greutz, Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC
Joshua Harju, U.P. Engineers & Architects, Inc.

Motion made by J. Mayo seconded by T. Cerroni to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on September 11, 2023.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: P. Stark

Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Michael Greutz, Auditor for Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC, was present to discuss the audit. Overall, he stated that the Village is doing well. The net position for the Village as a whole increased by \$47,889.00 as a result of this year's operations. Net position of the governmental activities increased by \$147,660.00, or 8 percent, and net position of the business-type activities decreased by \$99,771.00.00, or 1 percent. During the year, the Village had expenses for governmental activities that were \$1,285,023.00 and revenues and transfers totaling \$1,432,683.00. During the year, the Village had expenses for business-type activities that were \$3,841,117.00 and revenues and transfers totaling \$3,741,346.00. The General Fund reported a fund balance of \$307,829.00. The net decrease in fund balance of \$72,640.00 was \$154,225.00 less that the forecasted increase of \$81,585.00.

Motion made by A. Cerroni seconded by T. Olson to pass Resolution 2023-10-10-01 authorizing LeAnn LeClaire, Village Manager, and/or Wendell Dompier, President to sign the closing documents for the purchase of 4.7 acres from All-Wood.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: P. Stark

Motion carried.

U. P. Engineers & Architects, Inc requested an additional amount of \$25,000.00 for their professional services for the Phase Two of the Walking Trail Project. Additional services were performed by UPEA to redesign the proposed trail and railroad crossing along Superior Avenue

near the Baraga State Park. The time to finish the project exceeded the original timeline. Also, UPEA's hourly rates have increased approximately 10% from the time the original engineering fees were agreed upon in June of 2020. If all of the \$25,000.00 is not used it will be returned. Motion made by T. Olson seconded by S. Johnson to pass Amendment No. 2 of the Engineering Agreement with U.P. Engineers & Architects for the Non-Motorized Trail – Phase 2 from the Village Marina to the State Park in the amount of \$25,000.00 for an adjusted agreement total amount of \$222,000.00.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: P. Stark

Motion carried.

With the upcoming retirement of Wendell Dompier, the Village needed to appoint an alternate council member on the WPPI Board of Directors. Scott Koski was appointed as the alternate for the WPPI Board of Directors.

The Police Report was given by I. Smith, Chief of Police. Twenty-seven complaints were received in the month of September. One arrest was made. Three hundred fifteen property checks were completed. Chief Smith attended the first annual Baraga County Emergency Services picnic on September 10 at the L'Anse Waterfront Park. Chief Smith and Officer Shalifoe had their fall shooting qualifications on September 28 at the Ottawa Sportsman's Club.

L. LeClaire, Village Manager, gave the Manager Report. She stated that she will start searching for some grant monies to start developing Capul Recreational Park as soon as the purchase of the property is completed on October 20. The Village received notification that they were not chosen for the Sparks Grant for renovations to the ice rink. Over four hundred fifty applications were received and only three communities from the Upper Peninsula were chosen as recipients. The final report has been sent for the DWAM Grant. Two new ferric tanks, splash pad and eyewash station are completed. The DPW installed the ferric tanks and the eyewash station.

The DPW Report was given by L. LeClaire, Village Manager. All hydrant flushing is completed. Salt has been delivered and mixed. More investigations for lead and/or copper findings for the DWAM Grant were completed. Mowing, weed whacking and patching was done. Some Miss Digs were completed. Work was done on the new plow truck. A new blade was put on it and the flatbed was refurbished to deter rusting.

A new single axel reel trailer is needed for the WPPI workers. The cost is \$14,200.00 and the amount will be split with the Village of L'Anse. The Village of L'Anse has already approved their portion of the amount.

Motion made by T. Cerroni seconded by S. Johnson to approve \$7,100.00 for the purchase of a new single axle reel trailer for the WPPI workers.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: P. Stark

Motion carried.

Jeff Mayo, Baraga Fire Department Chief, was present to request a raise for the fire department workers.

Motion made by S. Johnson seconded by S. Koski to increase the wages of the Baraga Fire Department employees from \$15.00 per hour to \$20.00 per hour.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: P. Stark

Motion carried.

W. Dompier, Village President, was recognized by the WPPI Board of Directors for his 25 ½ years of community service.

Halloween Trick or Treat hours were set from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM on October 31.

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

Check	Vendor Name	Amount
45002	WILKINSON S STORE	236.12
45003	PELKIE OUTDOOR POWER EQUIPMENT	101.99
45005	BROWN, JEREMY	288.22
45006	JASON MANTILA	80.00
45012	AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	81.46
45013	FASTENAL COMPANY	10.67
45014	WILLIAM OLSEN	29.66
45015	STATE OF MICHIGAN	254,853.90
45017	ENVIROMENTAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH	440.00
45019	ANDERSON, TACKMAN & CO, PLC	11,800.00
45020	ASSOCIATED BANK	6,365.80
45021	SIEGELS UNIFORMS	5,990.87
45022	T & R ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY	850.00
45023	MID-CONTINENT CASUALTY CO	500.00
45024	DOUG DEBEST	2,865.00
45033	CLAIMCHOICE ADMINISTRATORS	79.64
45034	LEANN LECLAIRE	1,665.36
45035	WEST SHORE FIRE INC	3,938.02
45036	WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP	2,679.94
45037	PSS	1,263.88
45038	FIRE NINJA SAFETY EQUIPMENT	1,074.75
45039	FESTIVAL FOODS HOUGHTON	698.00
45045	BARAGA COUNTY PHYSICIAN GROUP	360.00
45046	CHERIE KOSKI	50.00
45047	DAVID APGER	50.00

45048	GERARD LINDEMANN	50.00
45049	IRVIN SMITH	50.00
45050	JASON MANTILA	50.00
45051	JOSH TAISTO	50.00
45052	KENT THOMAS	60.00
45053	LEANN LECLAIRE	375.00
45054	MATT SHALIFOE	50.00
45055	ROBERT JOHNSON	50.00
45056	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	1,453.11
45057	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	3,192.00
45058	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	9,129.00
45059	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	4,900.00
45060	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	4,900.00
45061	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	1,667.00
45062	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	2,452.12
45063	TIM WADAGA	50.00
45064	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	4,700.00
45065	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	5,190.00
45066	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	517.00
45067	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	517.00
45068	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	24,558.00
45069	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	14,420.00
45070	WILLIAM OLSEN	50.00
45071	STATE OF MICHIGAN	699.30
45076	MATT SHALIFOE	143.99
45077	SEMCO ENERGY	475.96
45099	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
45100	BACCO CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	745.50
45101	BARAGA TELEPHONE COMPANY	906.23
45102	BAY AUTO PARTS OF BARAGA INC	1,428.72
45103	BIANCO PLUMBING AND HEATING	253.33
45104	BORDER STATES ELECTRIC SUPPLY	838.46
45105	CORE & MAIN	277.32
45106	DOUG DEBEST	440.00
45107	ENERGENECS,INC	1,626.25
45108	ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE ASSOC	233.68
45109	ERICKSON TRUE VALUE & LUMBER	18.99
45110	FASTENAL COMPANY	151.33
45111	FOX MARQUETTE	4,225.42
45112	GRAINGER INC	700.40
45113	HAWKINS, INC	3,518.17
45114	IRBY	3,368.42
45115	K&D FABRICATING & REPAIR	1,120.00

45116	KEMIRA WATER SOLUTIONS,INC.	12,588.18
45117	KEWEENAW TITLE AGENCY	458.00
45118	L ANSE SENTINEL	319.88
45119	LACOURT BOTTLED GAS CO	27.00
45120	LARRY S MARKET INC	31.01
45121	LINDEMANN MACHINING& WELDING	332.00
45122	MONROE TRUCK EQUIPMENT	7,630.25
45123	MR TIRE STORE #5	2,576.58
45124	NORTH COUNTRY DESIGN	60.50
45125	NORTHERN OIL 1 INC	1,957.53
45126	OK RENTAL SALES & SERVICE	355.80
45127	OSHKOSH FIRE AND POLICE EQUIP	609.00
45128	QUILL CORPORATION	134.37
45129	SKYTТА'S COUNTRY FEED	12.87
45130	SUPERIOR TRUCK & TIRE	3,909.42
45131	U P ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS INC	1,767.00
45132	U P ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS INC	3,074.82
45133	U P ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS INC	451.20
45134	U P POWER COMPANY	314.23
45135	VANSTRATEN BROTHERS INC	495.19
45136	VERIZON WIRELESS	80.02
45137	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	12,194.55
45138	WASTE MANAGEMENT	702.71
45139	WENDELL DOMPIER	458.50
45140	WHITE WATER ASSOCIATES INC	150.00
45141	WILKINSON S STORE	345.39
45142	WOODLAND FIREARMS & SUPPLY	139.92
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	TOTAL	447,155.90

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

Motion made by J. Mayo seconded by T. Cerroni to adjourn.
Ayes: All
Nays: None
Absent: P. Stark
Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:32 P.M on October 10, 2023.

Submitted by Diane Mayo, Village Clerk