

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 and Wendell Dompier

Absent: Scott Koski

Also Present: LeAnn LeClaire, Village Manager
Diane Mayo, Village Clerk
Irvin Smith, Chief of Police
Andrew Keranen, P.E., U.P. Engineers & Architects, Inc

Motion made by J. Mayo seconded by T. Cerroni to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on January 9, 2024.

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: S. Koski

Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

The Public Hearing for the Village of Baraga 2024-2025 Budget opened at 5:01 P.M. on Tuesday, February 13, 2024.

L. LeClaire discussed the 2024-2025 Budget and some of the planned projects.

The General Fund budgeted for Upset and for the Baraga Economic Development Authority. A new entrance way and front door for the council chambers was included in the budget.

A new AD machine and two guns were budgeted for the Police Department.

Money was budgeted to finish the water lines in the Cemetery.

Public Works will have money budgeted for a grapple brush attachment and Vactor truck repairs.

Money is being budgeted in the Recreation Fund for ice rink improvements. Also sidewalks, tree removal and a camera are in the budget

The Street Fund has crack sealing, catch basin and a culvert in its budget. Money is also being budgeted for line painting, sidewalks, street signs and some street patching.

The Electric Fund has budgeted for a possible AMI upgrade for this year. Money has also been budgeted to convert the tribal campground from 4KV to 12 KV. Money is also being budgeted to replace the high side reclosure and lowside switch at Besse.

The Sewer Fund has money budgeted to replace a sewer line on Armory Street.

The Water Fund has budgeted for the DWAM Grant, replacement of water lines on Armory Street and replacement of the loading dock at the water plant.

The Marina Fund has electric pedestals, water meter, and repairs and maintenance to the docks budgeted.

The Equipment Fund has tires along with AN updated dump truck and updated DDA truck in its budget.

The DDA budgeted the Ice Rink Transfer yearly amount transfer and transfers for sidewalks and street repairs. Budgeted funds also include flowers. Funds were also put aside for the Capul Recreation Park, Baraga County Museum and the Veterans Memorial Park. The Kids Park will also receive funds for bathroom repairs and a sidewalk.

L. LeClaire, Village Manager, discussed several of the budgeted projects completed over this past year.

A skidster with attachments and a Kubota tractor with attachments were purchased. The Police Department received a new furnace and new vests. The Category B Grant, which involved three roads, was completed. The MDARD Grant for the lagoons was completed. Phase Three of the Walking Trail was completed. DWAM Grant investigations are still being performed. The Third Street transformer is set up and ready to be fired up this spring. A new billing system has been implemented. The underbody on the dump truck was overhauled along with other equipment maintenance. Brushing was done on Osterman Avenue, Westland Drive, Selkey Road and Spruce Street. New culverts and catch basins were put in on Hemlock Street.

Public Comment: None

The Public Hearing for the Village of Baraga 2024-2025 Budget closed at 5:15 P.M. on Tuesday, February 13, 2024.

Motion made by T. Olson seconded by P. Stark to adopt the 2024-2025 Budget.

**Village of Baraga
Budget 2024-2025**

General Fund 2024-2025

Revenues

Property Taxes and Fees	150000
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State Revenues	767934
Interest and Rental	30000
Misc.	102200
Transfers and Reimbursements	80000
Gain Sale Assets	98140
Total Revenues	1228274

Expenditures

Village President	5800
Village Council	37300
Village Manager	61500
Attorney	10000
Clerk	4500
Administration	74500
Treasurer	3200
Cemetery	18000
Police	277400
Fire	97502
Public Works	137200
Community Promotion	500
Parks & Recreation	38700
Employee Benefits	170600
Insurance & Overhead	65400
Public Housing	650
Village Building	46000

Total Expenditures	1048752
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Excess or Revenues	179522
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Major Street Fund 2024-2025

Revenues

State Revenues	195000
Misc.	4000
Transfers	0
Interest Income	2000

Total Revenues	201000
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Expenditures

Ditches & Drains	18100
Construction	4600
Surface Maintenance	24600
Traffic Signals	5100
Snow and Ice Removal	51500
Administration	68700
Mers Unfunded	5000
Total Expenditures	177600

Excess of Revenues 23400

Local Street Fund 2024-2025

Revenues

State Revenues	80000
Misc.	60000
Transfers	150000
Interest Income	1000

Total Revenues 291000

Expenditures

Ditches & Drains	27300
Construction	10000
Surface Maintenance	33500
Traffic Signals	5050
Snow & Ice Removal	52150
Administration	7700
Mers Unfunded	2500
Total Expenditures	138200

Excess of Revenues 152800

Municipal Street Fund 2024-2025

Revenues

County Tax	17000
Village Tax	50000
Transfers	32000
Misc Income	11000

Total Revenues	110000
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Expenditures

Transfer to DDA	8400
Transfer to Major Street	0
Transfer to Local Street	40000
Misc.	0

Total Expenditures	48400
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Excess of Revenues	61600
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Wastewater Fund 2024-2025

Revenues

Reimb. Joint WW	140000
Interest	4500
MEDC	1560
Bonds	308600

Total Revenues	454660
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Expenditures

Utility Activities	260560
Collection & System Operation	66000
MERS Unfunded	37000

Total Expenditures	363560
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Excess of Revenues	91100
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Electric Fund 2024-2025

Revenues

Sales	2900000
Services	10000
Penalties & Interest	15000
Deposits	10000
Investment in ATC	25000
WPPI	8214
Low Income	9000

EO Charge	51000
Misc Income	20000
Surplus Prior Year	300000
Interest	17000
Reimbursements	40000
Total Revenues	3405214

Expenditures

Utility Activities	3009614
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Total Expenditures	3009614
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Excess of Revenues	395600
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Water Fund 2024-2025

Revenues

Sales	650000
Services Penalties & Interest	23000
KBIC Industrial	19500
Transfer	230000
Interest Income	5000
Dwam Grant	12687.91
Phase 3 Water Project Loan	1272880
Phase 3 Water Project Grant	727120
Total Revenues	2940187.91

Expenditures

Water Plant	2738758
Water Distribution	122284
Mers Unfunded	35000
Total Expenditures	2896042

Excess of Revenues	44145.91
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Joint Wastewater Fund 2024-2025

Revenues

Sales	620000
Services Penalties & Interest	3000
Misc Income	25000

Total Revenues	648000
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Expenditures

Utility Activities	620400
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Excess of Revenues	27600
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Waterfront Fund 2024-2025

Revenues

Launch Fees	4000
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Dock Rentals	17000
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Transfers	25000
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Fuel Income	4000
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Interest Income	400
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Total Revenues	50400
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Expenditures	34200
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Excess of Revenues	16200
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Motor Vehicle Fund 2024-2025

Revenues

Rentals	96000
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Interest Income	800
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Transfers	60000
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Total Revenues	156800
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Expenditures	154450
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Excess of Revenues	2350
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DDA Fund 2024-2025

Revenues

Village Tax	120000
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Township & County Tax	50000
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Surplus Prior Years	20000
Interest Income	1000
Misc Income	150000
Total Revenues	341000
Expenditures	331800
Excess of Revenues	9200

Ayes: All
 Nays: None
 Absent: S. Koski
 Motion carried.

Andrew Keranen, U.P. Engineers & Architects, was present to discuss the Phase 3 Water Project. The Village will need to apply for a line of credit for the project to enact it. After a contractor has been selected, Rural Development will pay the invoices that have been obtained by the line of credit and also the interest on the line of credit.

Motion made by P. Stark seconded by J. Mayo to approve the approve a line of credit for the Engineering Agreement for the Phase 3 Water Project.

Ayes: All
 Nays: None
 Absent: S. Koski
 Motion carried.

The Police Report was given by Irvin Smith, Chief of Police. Twenty-five complaints were received in the month of January. One arrest was made. Four hundred seven property checks were completed.

L. LeClaire, Village Manager, gave the Manager Report. A bid was received on the Village doors which was higher than expected. At this time, she is exploring other avenues. L. LeClaire attended a DDA meeting to discuss some conceptual plans for the Capul Recreational Park. The goal for this summer is to put in a tennis/pickleball court. Hopefully, some grants will become available in the future for further developments. A Veterans Memorial Park at the cemetery was discussed and also a new sign for the Industrial Park. L. LeClaire attended a meeting for Bay Ambulance with the township and villages that Bay Ambulance services. A new millage rate increase is necessary for the ambulance center to keep operating into the future., There is also a need for three paramedics which would be a cost of \$250,000.00 per year and the life span for the three new ambulances is ten years. Without an increase in millage, the ambulance center would not have the funds to continue operating within ten years. The townships will discuss the situation at their next board meetings.

The DPW Report was given by L. LeClaire, Village Manager. Plowing was done once in the month of January. Workers have remodeled the break room and installed new ceiling tiles.

They also cleaned and painted the booster station and performed water plant maintenance. Street signs were repaired and some new signs have been ordered.

Motion made by T. Olson seconded by S. Johnson to donate \$500.00 to BASH for services rendered.

Ayes: All

Naya: None

Absent: S. Koski

Motion carried.

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

Check	Vendor Name	Amount
45470	WILKINSON S STORE	388.18
45474	BIANCO PLUMBING AND HEATING	99.67
45475	IRBY	2,520.00
45476	LACOURT BOTTLED GAS CO	13.50
45477	MI MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC ASSOC	2,726.00
45478	USA BLUEBOOK	261.59
45513	ASSOCIATED BANK	1,678.98
45514	CLAIMCHOICE ADMINISTRATORS	822.27
45515	GRAINGER INC	478.26
45516	PAYMENTUS CORP	530.08
45517	UP ENERGY SYSTEMS	223.02
45518	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
45521	DAVID APGER	50.92
45522	DAN LAPLANTE	72.50
45523	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
45524	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
45525	QUILL CORPORATION	340.98
45530	CHERIE KOSKI	50.00
45531	DAVID APGER	50.00
45532	GERARD LINDEMANN	50.00
45533	IRVIN SMITH	50.00
45534	JASON MANTILA	50.00
45535	JOSH TAISTO	50.00
45536	KENT THOMAS	60.00
45537	LEANN LECLAIRE	375.00
45538	MATT SHALIFOE	50.00
45539	MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF MAYORS	110.00
45540	ROBERT JOHNSON	50.00
45541	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	1,453.11

45542	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	3,192.00
45543	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	9,129.00
45544	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	4,900.00
45545	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	4,900.00
45546	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	1,667.00
45547	SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK	2,452.12
45548	TIM WADAGA	50.00
45549	VERIZON WIRELESS	80.02
45550	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	32,000.00
45551	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	4,700.00
45552	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	5,190.00
45553	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	517.00
45554	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	517.00
45555	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	24,558.00
45556	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	14,420.00
45557	WILLIAM OLSEN	50.00
45559	STATE OF MICHIGAN	694.32
45560	U P POWER COMPANY	425.99
45564	IRVIN SMITH	25.00
45565	AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	81.46
45566	BARAGA COUNTY CLERK	44,054.15
45567	BARAGA TELEPHONE COMPANY	867.02
45568	BAY AUTO PARTS OF BARAGA INC	626.52
45569	ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE ASSOC	418.59
45570	ERICKSON TRUE VALUE & LUMBER	536.65
45571	ERICKSON TRUE VALUE & LUMBER	64.82
45572	HACH COMPANY	406.38
45573	HANNULA AGENCY	5,405.00
45574	HAWKINS, INC	1,941.81
45575	HOMESTEAD GRAPHICS & DESIGN	30.00
45576	IDEXX DISTRIBUTION CORP	4,597.39
45577	INFOSEND, INC	457.43
45578	IRBY	5,559.28
45579	K&D FABRICATING & REPAIR	125.00
45580	KBIC SOLID WASTE FACILITY	679.60
45581	LASER NORTH	508.39
45582	MARQUETTE MENARDS	1,027.26
45583	MARQUETTE POWER EQUIPMENT	83.76
45584	MIDWAY RENTALS INC	726.09
45585	MILLER-BRADFORD &	1,285.58
45586	MISS DIG SYSTEM INC	1,094.63
45587	MOTOROLA	495.22
45588	MR TIRE STORE #5	129.90

45589	NORTH CENTRAL LABORATORIES INC	300.79
45590	NORTH COUNTRY DESIGN	13.00
45591	NORTHERN OIL 1 INC	2,560.33
45592	PINES CONVEINCE CENTER	501.77
45593	PRINTING SYSTEMS	115.66
45594	QUILL CORPORATION	467.14
45595	QUILL CORPORATION	59.48
45596	RC MECHANICAL	1,513.58
45597	SEMCO ENERGY	3,644.03
45599	U P ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS INC	780.00
45600	VERMEER WISCONSIN INC	14,200.00
45601	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	5,057.40
45602	VILLAGE OF BARAGA	4,151.80
45603	WASTE MANAGEMENT	323.21
45604	WILKINSON S STORE	1,035.91
45605	CHERIE KOSKI	406.02
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	TOTAL	\$228,478.56

Ayes: All
Nays: None
Absent: S. Koski
Motion carried

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

Meeting adjourned at 5:46 P.M .on February 13, 2024.

Submitted by Diane Mayo, Village Clerk