

**CALUMET REGULAR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING  
CALUMET VILLAGE TOWN HALL  
340 SIXTH STREET  
CALUMET, MICHIGAN 49913  
February 18, 2020 - 5:30 PM**

**Present:** President David Geisler

Trustees: Brian Abramson, Doug Harrer, Roxanne King, Andrew Ranville, Lori Weir

Also present from the village: Planning Chairperson Colleen Kobe, Village Administrator Caleb Katz, Village Clerk Kevin Weir

Public present: 38 members of the public present

**Absent:** Treasurer Stephani Camp

**Vacant:** One Council Seat

**I. 5:30 PM President David Geisler called the meeting to order and the pledge was recited**

**II. Acceptance of Agenda**

Motion made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Abramson to accept the agenda with the following amendments:

- Move Planning Commission [item 7] to after Meeting Minutes [item 2]
- Move item f [Clerk/Administrator Report] to the top of the Committee Reports [item 4]

President David Geisler conducted a voice vote:

Ayes: All Nays: None

Motion Carried 6/0

**III. Agenda**

**1. Petitions from the Public**

Nathan Anderson addressed the council in opposition to the repeal of Ordinances No. 152 and No. 153; the Medical and Adult Use Marihuana Facilities Ordinances.

Steven Thompson addressed the council in support of marihuana sales in the village.

David addressed the council in support of marihuana sales in the village.

Dawn addressed the council in support of marihuana sales in the village.

An unidentified female addressed the council in support of marihuana sales in the village.

An unidentified male inquired of the council if an answer/solution regarding marihuana sales in the village had already been developed by the council.

Jeff McMahan [906 Genetics] addressed the council regarding his previously approved application as well as other non-conforming businesses operating in the village.

An unidentified female addressed the council in support of marihuana sales in the village and 906 Genetics.

An unidentified male addressed the council in support of marihuana sales in the village.

An unidentified male addressed the council in support of medical marihuana.

An unidentified female addressed the council in support of marihuana sales in the village.

Alicia Roundtree addressed the council regarding zoning issues related to marihuana businesses and in support of marihuana sales in the village.

An unidentified female addressed the council in support of marihuana sales as well as in support of Jeff McMahan [906 Genetics] being able to open a marihuana business in the village.

An unidentified male addressed the council regarding his experience as a grower in the marihuana business.

An unidentified male addressed the council in support of medical marihuana.

Peggy Germain addressed the council regarding the Village Manager Ordinance Referendum.

President Geisler informed the public to check the newspaper, the Village Hall front door, or the village website for a posting regarding a public hearing related to marihuana/zoning in the month of March.

## **2. Minutes**

Motion made by Trustee Harrer and seconded by Trustee Weir to accept the meeting minutes from the January 21, 2020 Regular Meeting as presented.

President David Geisler conducted a voice vote:

Ayes: All Nays: None

Motion Carried 6/0

Motion made by Trustee Harrer and seconded by Trustee King to accept the meeting minutes from the February 6, 2020 Special Meeting as presented.

President David Geisler conducted a voice vote:

Ayes: All Nays: None

Motion Carried 6/0

### 3. Planning Commission

Chairperson Colleen Kobe presented a Planning Commission update memo. The memo detailed action items taken at the last Planning Commission meeting as well as proposed future action items (See Addendum 1).

A discussion was held regarding potential classes, zones, and types of allowable marihuana businesses in the village.

A discussion was held regarding ordinance development. Colleen Kobe will work on a draft amended zoning ordinance. Administrator Katz will work on draft marihuana ordinances in conjunction with legal counsel.

Chairperson Colleen Kobe updated the council on a joint Planning/DDA recommendation to accept the Zoning Ordinance/DDA/TIFF Plan Proposal from *Beckett and Raeder*.

Pat Coleman (*North of 45 LLC*) addressed the council regarding his competing proposal.

Motion made by Trustee Harrer and seconded by Trustee Weir to accept the joint Planning/DDA recommendation to accept the proposal from Beckett and Raeder [to create a new Zoning Ordinance/DDA/TIFF Plan].

President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: King, Ranville, L. Weir, Harrer, Abramson, Geisler

No: None

Motion Carried 6/0

### 4. Committee (Department) Reports

#### A. Clerk/Administrator

Clerk Weir presented the Clerk Report.

- 1 council seat remains vacant
- Petitions available for the fall village election, filing deadline July 21, 2020
- Village Manager Referendum, March 10, 2020
- Codification proposal update

Administrator Katz presented the Administrator Report.

- Open KNHP Advisory Commission seat will be advertised
- Public Budget Hearing & Special Budget Meeting, Monday, February 24, 2020
- Online pay option update
- Habitat for Humanity and Team Rubicon are partnering to tear down unwanted buildings in the area this summer. There are no fees outside of waste disposal and permits
- Non-discrimination Policy
- Recommendation to cancel the dumpster outside Village Hall
- LARA is aware the marihuana ordinances have been repealed

- 1 audit proposal received

A discussion was held regarding whether it is appropriate for Trustees to assist or work for the Village. Clarification was provided that special rules for villages under 5000 persons allow for employment of elected officials.

Motion made by Trustee Harrer and seconded by Trustee King to adopt the Non-discrimination Policy as presented.

President David Geisler conducted a voice vote:

Ayes: All Nays: None

Motion Carried 6/0

Motion made by Trustee Abramson and seconded by Trustee Harrer to cancel the dumpster outside of the Village Hall.

President David Geisler conducted a voice vote:

Ayes: All Nays: None

Motion Carried 6/0

Motion made by Trustee Harrer and seconded by Trustee Weir to adopt Ordinance No. 155 *An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 152 Regulating Medical Marihuana Facilities, and Ordinance No. 153 Regulating Adult Use Marihuana Facilities*. The text of the ordinance follows:

*VILLAGE OF CALUMET*

*County of Houghton*

**ORDINANCE NO. 155**

*AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 152 REGULATING  
MEDICAL MARIHUANA FACILITIES, AND ORDINANCE NO. 153  
REGULATING ADULT-USE MARIHUANA FACILITIES*

*The Village of Calumet ordains that the following ordinances of the Village of Calumet are repealed:*

*SECTION 1 – Title*

*This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the Village of Calumet’s Repeal of an Ordinance for the Regulating of Medical Marihuana Facilities, and an Ordinance for the Regulating of Adult-Use Marihuana Facilities.*

*SECTION 2 – Intent and Purpose*

The purpose of this Ordinance is to repeal the following ordinances of the Village of Calumet, in conformance with the board's Motion to repeal the following ordinances at the February 6, 2020 council meeting:

- A. Ordinance No. 152, adopted on April 16, 2019, for the regulation of medical marihuana facilities.
- B. Ordinance No. 153, adopted on October 15, 2019, for the regulation of adult-use marihuana facilities.

*SECTION 3 – Repeal*

Ordinance No. 152 and Ordinance No. 153 of the Village of Calumet are hereby repealed in their entirety.

*SECTION 4 – Effective Date*

This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon publication.

Passed and adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Calumet, Houghton County, Michigan on this 18th day of February, 2020.

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Attest:

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KEVIN WEIR,  
Village Clerk

DAVID GEISLER,  
President

YEAS: Brian Abramson  
David Geisler  
Doug Harrer  
Roxanne King  
Andrew Ranville  
Lori Weir

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None, 1 vacant seat

*I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of Ordinance No. 155, duly adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Calumet, County of Houghton, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on February 18, 2020, and that this meeting was conducted and public notice of this meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meeting Act, being Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes were kept and will be or have been made available as required by the Act.*

*I further certify that the following members of the village council were present at the meeting: Brian Abramson, David Geisler, Doug Harrer, Roxanne King, Andrew Ranville, Lori Weir, and that no members were absent, with 1 seat vacant.*

*I further certify that the following members voted for adoption of the ordinance: Brian Abramson, David Geisler, Doug Harrer, Roxanne King, Andrew Ranville, Lori Weir and that no members voted against the adoption of the ordinance.*

*I further certify that the ordinance has been recorded in the ordinance book of the Village of Calumet and that such recording has been authenticated by the signatures of the village president and the village clerk.*

KEVIN WEIR,  
Village Clerk

President David Geisler conducted a voice vote:  
Ayes: All Nays: None  
Motion Carried 6/0

Motion made by Trustee Harrer and seconded by Trustee Abramson to accept the Clerk/Administrator Report.  
President Geisler conducted a voice vote:  
Ayes: All Nays: None  
Motion Carried 6/0

**B. Streets, Public Works, Sanitation**

Trustee Harrer presented the Streets Report:

- Street Closure Form recommendation

A discussion was held regarding potential changes to the street closure form.

Motion made by Trustee Weir and seconded by Trustee Ranville to accept the Street Report.

President David Geisler conducted a voice vote:

Ayes: All Nays: None

Motion Carried 6/0

### **C. Public Safety**

Trustee Harrer presented the Public Safety Report:

- Still actively seeking police applicants
- Potentially bringing back call out fees for fire calls
- Chief Kalcich provided a tour of the fire department to the committee
- Fire gear (pagers, turnout gear, air tanks) needs replacement over time

A discussion was held regarding clarification of the Fire Department budget.

Motion made by Trustee Abramson and seconded by Trustee King to accept the Public Safety Report.

President David Geisler conducted a voice vote:

Ayes: All Nays: None

Motion Carried 6/0

### **D. Finance**

President Geisler updated the council regarding budget availability.

Motion made by Trustee Weir and seconded by Trustee Harrer to accept the Finance Report.

President David Geisler conducted a voice vote:

Ayes: All Nays: None

Motion Carried 6/0

### **E. Ordinance**

### **F. Personnel**

Trustee Harrer presented the Personnel Report:

- Still actively seeking police applications through Indeed
- Part-time streets worker quit and has been replaced

Motion made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Harrer to accept the Personnel Report.

President David Geisler conducted a voice vote:

Ayes: All Nays: None

Motion Carried 6/0

**5. DDA**

**6. HDC**

**7. Bills**

Motion made by Trustee Harrer and seconded by Trustee Weir to pay bills in the following amounts:

Previously Paid Bills: \$44,888.30

New Bills: \$13,822.37

President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: King, Ranville, L. Weir, Harrer, Abramson, Geisler

No: None

Motion Carried 6/0

**8. Adjournment**

Motion made by Trustee Harrer and seconded by Trustee Abramson to adjourn at 7:47 PM.

President David Geisler conducted a voice vote:

Yeas: All Nays: None

Motion Carried 6/0

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin P. Weir  
Calumet Village Clerk  
February 23, 2020



Memo: Action Items from Planning Commission Meeting, February 12, 2020

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To: Calumet Village Council  
 From: Colleen Kobe, Planning Commission Chair  
 Date: Tuesday, February 18, 2020  
 Subject: Action Items from Planning Commission Meeting, February 12, 2020

This memo highlights the actions that the Planning Commission took at their meeting on February 12, 2020. All of these items require changes to the current 1997 Calumet Zoning Ordinance, which requires a public hearing.

**1. Current non-conforming businesses in Calumet zones C1 and C2.**

Planning Commission member Roxanne King walked through the commercial districts last week. She photographed storefronts and street scenes. She also compiled a list of businesses currently operating in C1 and C2 that the current 1997 zoning ordinance document does not list as permitted uses. These businesses are as follows.

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| 1. Alcohol breweries and distilleries | 6. Storage facilities        |
| 2. Coffee roasteries                  | 7. Tattoo and body art shops |
| 3. First-floor front dwellings*       | 8. Therapeutic massage shops |
| 4. Pet care                           | 9. Yoga and exercise shops   |
| 5. Single-family housing*             |                              |

\*Note 1: The starred items are already explicitly prohibited in the C1 and C2 zones.

*Action Item:* Hold a public hearing regarding whether to add these businesses to the current Zoning Ordinance.

**2. Marijuana Businesses and Permissible Zones**

Table 1 on the next page shows a chart of the four zones of the Village of Calumet, cross-referenced with the types of marijuana licenses offered by Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA). The Planning Commission members discussed each zone and which type of Marijuana-related businesses we deemed suitable for that zone.

*Action Item:* Hold a public hearing regarding whether to add marijuana businesses to the current Zoning Ordinance. Explicitly state which types of businesses are permitted in each zone.

Table 1: Recommended Marijuana Businesses per Calumet Zone

	License Type	Calumet Zone			
		R1: Residential	C1: General Commercial	C2: Downtown Commercial	I-1: Light Industrial
Medical Marihuana Facility Licensing	Class A Grower (up to 500 plants)	no	yes	no	yes
	Class B Grower (up to 1,000 plants)	no	no	no	no
	Class C Grower (up to 1,500 plants)	no	no	no	no
	Processor	no	yes	no	yes
	Provisioning Center	no	yes	no	yes
	Safety Compliance	no	yes	yes	yes
	Secure Transporter	no	no	no	yes
Adult-Use Marihuana Establishment Licensing	Class A Grower (up to 500 plants)	no	yes	no	yes
	Class B Grower (up to 1,000 plants)	no	no	no	no
	Class C Grower (up to 1,500 plants)	no	no	no	no
	Designated Consumption Establishment*	no	yes	no	yes
	Excess Marihuana Grower	no	no	no	no
	Marihuana Event Organizer	no	no	no	no
	Marihuana Processor	no	yes	no	yes
	Marihuana Microbusiness	no	yes	yes	yes
	Marihuana Retailer	no	yes	yes	yes
	Marihuana Safety Compliance Facility	no	yes	yes	yes
	Marihuana Secure Transporter	no	no	no	no
	Temporary Marihuana Event*	no	no	no	no

**3. Updating the Zoning Ordinance Electronic File**

The current version of Ordinance 127 is a 72-page PDF format. I don't know how it was originally created, or where the files are located. I told Caleb I would regenerate the document in Word. I bought a PDF-to-Word conversion program, but the document still requires considerable cleanup. I'm about halfway done. I will e-mail the Word file to Caleb when I'm done, and he will verify the document matches the previous version.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Colleen Kobe  
 Village of Calumet Planning Commission Chair