# CALUMET VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA CALUMET VILLAGE TOWN HALL 340 SIXTH STREET CALUMET, MICHIGAN 49913

July 21, 2020 – 5:30 PM

**Present:** President David Geisler

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

Also present from the village: Village Manager Caleb Katz, and Superintendent of Public

Works Marc Klein

Public Present: 7 members of the public.

**Absent:** Village Treasurer Stephani Camp **Vacant:** One Council Seat, and Village Clerk

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

#### II. Acceptance of Agenda

Motion made by Trustee Harrer and seconded by Trustee Ranville to accept agenda as amended, with moving the street report up to the beginning of the meeting.

President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: Dave Geisler, Roxanne King, Lori Weir, Andrew Ranville, Brian Abramson, Doug

Harrer No: None

Motion Carried 6/0

#### III. Agenda

#### a. Petitions from the Public

Sandy Johnson addressed the council that she appreciates the council/committees taking their time to get these ordinances done, it will ensure it is done right. She would also like everyone involved.

Virginia Dwyer addressed the council over concerns on marihuana and not letting people know how they are moving forward or being handled. She is also concerned about issues of making promises and not keeping them. Further, she is concerned that the Village Manager does not have a contract or purchasing policy and that the CLK school public comment email has not been read/shared.

Jeff McMahon addressed the council. He was concerned about public comment emails not being read or shared since they were sent in March 2020. He would also like new policies or procedures in place to move things along, and is unhappy with the delays and slow nature of this process. He also believes there is bias from specific committee members.

A. Peggy Germain—Concerns—Village Office Management and Operations

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Peggy German addressed the council over several concerns. These concerns included having the office closed to the public in the afternoon, as well as not having hard copies of requested document for public distribution, the manager's attire including dress shorts and polo shirts, as well as concerns on having the alley behind the theatre paved and the crumbling nature of the Village.

#### b. Minutes

The council reviewed the minutes from June 16: Decided to make amendments, they wished to have the minutes amended from "note taker" to "clerk duties" including all Clerk duties, minutes and website maintenance.

Motion made by Trustee Ranville and seconded by Trustee Weir to accept the amended minutes of June 16, 2020.

President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: Dave Geisler, Roxanne King, Lori Weir, Andrew Ranville, Brian Abramson, Doug Harrer

No: None

Motion Carried 6/0

There was also discussion had on Manager Katz being the appointment person to take on the Clerk duties.

Motion made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Ranville to make Manager Katz the appointed person to handle the clerk duties and pay him \$175/month for doing these duties.

President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: Roxanne King, Doug Harrer

No: Dave Geisler, Lori Weir, Andrew Ranville, Brian Abramson

Motion Failed 2/4

Motion made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Ranville to approve the expenditure of \$175/month for doing these duties in July.

President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: Dave Geisler, Roxanne King, Lori Weir, Andrew Ranville, Brian Abramson, Doug Harrer

No: None

Motion Carried 6/0

#### c. Street Department

Public Works Superintendent Marc Klein gave the street report. They are still trying to get caught up due to COVID-19 and the limited availability of cold patch and other DPW materials. They are working on equipment, no new major issues.

Motion made by Trustee Ranville and seconded by Trustee Weir to accept the street report.

President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: Dave Geisler, Roxanne King, Lori Weir, Andrew Ranville, Brian Abramson, Doug Harrer

No: None

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#### d. DDA

Chair Polzien attended the meeting and gave an update on the DDA. She discussed plans for a possible community garden, how funding would work for it, where it would be located and conceptual designs. She asked for a motion/permission from the council to go forward with this plan.

Motion made by Trustee Harrer and seconded by Trustee Ranville to allow Leah Polzien to go forward with grant application for Community Garden.

President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: Dave Geisler, Roxanne King, Lori Weir, Andrew Ranville, Brian Abramson, Doug Harrer

No: None

Motion Carried 6/0

Chair Polzien also gave the DDA report, we have a new DDA applicant that the DDA interviewed and recommended to the council that he be appointed. Chair Polzien gave an overview of the candidate to the council.

Motion made by Trustee Harrer and seconded by Trustee King to approve the appointment of JW Miller to the DDA.

President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: Dave Geisler, Roxanne King, Lori Weir, Andrew Ranville, Brian Abramson, Doug Harrer

No: None

Motion Carried 6/0

Chair Polzien gave an update on the Greenspace and how it is progressing. She is wanting to have a greenspace public comment period, and hold a low key event and have it sometime in early to mid-august. She wants to have it outdoors.

#### e. Planning Commission

Chair Kobe could not attend the meeting, however, she had Manager Katz read her report.

#### f. Committee Reports

#### a. Street Committee—Did not meet

**b. Public Safety**—Met and approved the garage doors for the dire department. Further they discussed a review of the crime statistics and whether they have changed due to not having police. A decision was made that crime has not increased and the money can be better used elsewhere.

Motion made by Trustee Harrer and seconded by Trustee King to approve the expenditure of \$2600.00 for the garage doors and electrical work.

President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: Dave Geisler, Roxanne King, Lori Weir, Andrew Ranville, Brian Abramson, Doug Harrer

No: None

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- **c. Ordinance**—Has met with the Planning Commission several times to discuss the new Zoning and Marihuana Ordinances.
- **d. Personnel**—There is ongoing work on Manager Katz's new contract. They are preparing a review of Manager Katz and possible goals.

#### e. Clerk/Manager—

Manager Katz gave an oral Manager's report. Manager Katz gave an update on the snow equipment that we have received it all, and it is being prepared for winter. Further we have spoken with REJ about starting the floor grant work. Further updates were given on the DNR trail project, and Houghton County Recreational Authority, Houghton County Hazard Mitigation Plan and getting a new temporary clerk and new Clerk salary.

Motion made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Ranville to assign signing duties that the Clerk would handle to Brian Abramson as temporary signatory and handling some clerk duties.

President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: Dave Geisler, Roxanne King, Lori Weir, Andrew Ranville, Brian Abramson, Doug Harrer

No: None

Motion Carried 6/0

Motion made by Trustee Weir and seconded by Trustee Ranville to make the Clerk salary \$262.50 a month.

President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: Dave Geisler, Roxanne King, Lori Weir, Andrew Ranville, Brian Abramson

No: Doug Harrer Motion Carried 5/1

Resolution made by Trustee Ranville and seconded by Trustee Harrer to adopt the Houghton County 2020-2025 Hazard Mitigation Plan.

President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: Dave Geisler, Roxanne King, Lori Weir, Andrew Ranville, Brian

Abramson, Doug Harrer

No: None

Resolution Adopted 6/0

#### VILLAGE OF CALUMET

### A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE HOUGHTON COUNTY 2020-2025 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

At its scheduled meeting on July 21, 2020 at the Village Council Chambers located at 340 6<sup>th</sup> Street, the Village of Calumet Council adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Houghton County and its communities are at risk of natural, technological and societal hazards; and

WHEREAS, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires communities to have a five-year Hazard Mitigation Plan approved by FEMA in order to receive funds available through certain mitigation grant programs; and

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WHEREAS, the Houghton County Hazard Mitigation Plan prepared by the Western Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Region, in cooperation with the Houghton County Office of Emergency Management, identifies the hazard threats to the County and feasible mitigation projects to minimize hazard impacts; and

WHEREAS, the contents of the Hazard Mitigation Plan were reviewed by and account for input from residents and local officials representing the local units of government within Houghton County.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Calumet Council hereby adopts the Houghton County 2020-2025 Hazard Mitigation Plan.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution enacted by the Village of Calumet Council at an official meeting held July 21, 2020.

The following resolution was offered by Council Member Andrew Ranville and supported by Council Member Doug Harrer.

AYES: Council Members - Lori Weir, Doug Harrer, Andrew Ranville, Dave Geisler,

Roxanne King and Brian Abramson.

NAYS: Council Members - None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

a Michigan municipal corporation.

Dave Geisler,
Village President

Brian Abramson,
Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF CALUMET.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Calumet at a regular meeting held on July 21, 2020, that this meeting was conducted and public notice of this meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act

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267, Public Acts of Michigan 1976, and that the minutes of this meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by this Act.

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Brian Abramson, Village Clerk	DATE
	Dave Geisler, Village President

Motion made by Trustee Ranville and seconded by Trustee Harrer to join/approve the articles of incorporation for the Houghton County Recreational Authority.

President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: Dave Geisler, Roxanne King, Lori Weir, Andrew Ranville, Brian Abramson, Doug

Harrer No: None

Motion Carried 6/0

#### g. Bills

#### a. Previously Paid Bills

#### **b.** Current Bills

Motion made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Harrer to pay the bills. President David Geisler polled the council:

Yes: Dave Geisler, Roxanne King, Lori Weir, Andrew Ranville, Brian Abramson, Doug Harrer

Motion Carried 6/0

#### h. Adjourn

Motion made by Trustee Ranville and seconded by Trustee L. Weir to adjourn at 7:52PM.

Yes: Dave Geisler, Roxanne King, Lori Weir, Andrew Ranville, Brian Abramson, Doug

Harrer No: None

Motion Carried: 6/0

Respectfully Submitted,

Caleb C. D. Katz Village Manager July 29, 2020