

**CALUMET VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CALUMET VILLAGE TOWN HALL
340 SIXTH STREET
CALUMET, MICHIGAN 49913
AUGUST 17, 2021 – 5:30 PM**

Present: President Brian Abramson, Trustees Elise Matz, Andrew Ranville, Rob Tarvis and Ken Olkkonen (late arrival)

Absent: Treasurer Debbie Aubin

Vacancies: Two Council Seats

Also Present from Village: Acting Manager Dave Geisler, Planning Commission Chair Colleen Kobe

Public: 5 members of the public

I. Call to Order

President Abramson called the meeting to order at 5:51 PM.

II. Acceptance of Agenda

Motion made by Trustee Matz and seconded by Trustee Tarvis to accept the Agenda
Motion Passed-4/0

III. Petitions from the Public

Members of the public addressed the Council on the issue of adult use marihuana in the Village

IV. Reports

A. DDA

The DDA did not hold a regular meeting in August.

B. HDC

Report offered by HDC Commissioner David Geisler. Members of the HDC and the Park Service met with Allen Higgins, MiSHPO, to discuss preservation issues in the district as well as the planned resurvey of the district.

C. Planning Commission

Chair Colleen Kobe addressed the Council concerning the need to amend the Village's Master Plan to reflect changes in the proposed Zoning Ordinance.

Moved by Trustee Tarvis and seconded by Trustee Olkkonen to approve the contract with Beckett & Raeder to amend the Village's Master Plan contingent on the Planning Commission approving the contract.

Voice vote: Ayes – President Abramson, Trustees Tarvis, Ranville, Matz and Olkkonen

Nays – None

Motion Passed-5/0

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D. Committee(s)/Work Session

The Council had no comments on the Work Session report.

E. Manager/Clerk Report

Report offered by Acting Manager David Geisler. The Village Council was asked to approve and to pass a resolution (attached) naming David Geisler as authorized to sign amendments and payment requests related to the CDBG grant.

The Council was asked to make a donation to UPSET.

Moved by Trustee Ranville and seconded by Trustee Tarvis to contribute \$1,500. To UPSET.

Voice vote: Ayes – President Abramson, Trustees Tarvis, Ranville, Matz and Olkkonen
Nays – None
Motion Passed-5/0

The Council was asked if the Village should pursue funding from the State to hire a firm to develop a Policies and Procedures Manual for the Village. The consensus was to request proposals from a list of vendors supplied by the State Treasury.

V. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Trustee Matz and seconded by Trustee Tarvis to:

Approve minutes of the Village Council Public Hearing of July 20, 2021
Approve minutes of the Village Council Regular Meeting of July 20, 2021
Approve minutes of the Village Council Work Session of August 4, 2021
Reports as provided in Agenda Item IV.
Previously Paid Bills in the amount of \$16,552.41
Current Bills in the amount of \$10,371.74

Voice vote: Ayes – President Abramson, Trustees Tarvis, Ranville, Matz and Olkkonen
Nays – None
Motion Passed-5/0

VI. Appointment of President Pro Tem

President Abramson appointed Trustee Tarvis to serve as President Pro Tempore.

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Appointment confirmed by voice vote:

Ayes – President Abramson, Trustees Tarvis, Ranville, Matz and Olkkonen

Nays – None

Appointment approved-5/0

VII. Village Manager Search Update

The Council identified four candidates to be interviewed. Stang Decisions to set up two meetings for the interview which are to be virtual.

VIII. 5th Street Fire Update

Trustee Matz provided the Council with a summary of a meeting held with representatives of the EPA, Calumet Township, Houghton County and the National Park Service.

Blight letters are to be sent to the current owners of the properties destroyed in the fire.

The Park Service is preparing displays to be affixed to the concrete barriers.

IX. Calumet Theatre Update

Trustee to consult with the Village's attorney and then to draft a letter to the Theatre Board concerning adherence to their lease.

X. Council Vacancies

No new applicants.

XI. Employee Performance Reviews

President Abramson to complete performance reviews of Village employees.

XII. Repeal Ordinances and Rules of Procedure

Moved by Trustee Tarvis and seconded by Trustee Olkkonen to adopt Ordinance 159, Ordinance for the Repeal of Ordinances.

Motion Passed-5/0

Discussion of the revised Rules of Procedure was table until the Council's next work session.

The date for the next work session was set as Tuesday, September 14th, 6:30 PM.

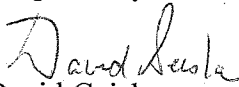
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XIII. Adjourn

Moved by Trustee Tarvis and seconded by Trustee Ranville to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 PM.

Motion Passed-5/0

Respectfully Submitted,


David Geisler
Acting Manager