CALUMET SPECIAL VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
CALUMET VILLAGE TOWN HALL
340 SIXTH STREET
CALUMET, MICHIGAN 49913
August 28, 2019 - 5:30 PM

**Present:** President Pro Tempore Doug Harrer

Trustees: Brian Abramson, Nathan Anderson, Andrew Ranville, Joshua

Rowe, Roxanne King (Trustee Anderson and Trustee Ranville exited the meeting at 6:50

PM)

Also present from the village: Village Administrator Caleb Katz, Village Clerk Kevin Weir,

Village Attorney Jim Tercha

Public present: 6 members of the public present

**Absent:** President David Geisler, Treasurer Stephani Camp

## 5:32 PM President Pro Tem Doug Harrer called the meeting to order and the pledge was recited

#### II. Acceptance of Agenda

Motion made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Ranville to accept the agenda as presented. President Pro Tem Harrer conducted a voice vote:

Yes: All Nays: None Motion Carried 6/0

#### III. Agenda

### 1. Petitions from the Public

Sandy Johnson inquired if any decision had been made regarding the police car and equipment and expressed her support for a police department.

Peggy Germain addressed the council regarding the budget and the police department.

Virginia Dwyer addressed the council regarding the police department and the applicable special mileage millage valid through 2021.

Motion made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Anderson to move the *Village Manager Ordinance* up to the second agenda item.

President Pro Tem Harrer conducted a voice vote:

Yes: All Nays: None Motion Carried 6/0

#### 2. Village Manager Ordinance

Village Attorney Jim Tercha presented work done, and work to be done to finalize the proposed Village Manager Ordinance.

Motion made by Trustee Anderson and seconded by Trustee Rowe to table the Village Manager Ordinance until the ordinance committee can review it further and revisit at the next regular meeting. President Pro Tem Harrer conducted a voice vote:

Yes: 4 Nays: 2 (Yes: Ranville, Rowe, King, Anderson Nays: Abramson, Harrer) Motion Carried 4/2

#### 3. Police car equipment removal

Undersheriff/911 Director Coppo presented information as to why the computer and radio equipment should be removed from the police car.

A discussion was had regarding why the equipment should be removed, why police radios could not be used for the fire department as well as how the fire department can acquire additional radios.

Motion made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Ranville that the council knows and approves of the 911 service removing the equipment from the police car.

President Pro Tem Doug Harrer polled the Council:

Yes: King, Ranville, Abramson, Harrer

No: Anderson, Rowe Motion Carried 4/2

Trustee Anderson and Trustee Ranville provided clarification regarding the current status of the police department.

Member of the public, Sandy Johnson, reminded the council that the newspaper and the police report [police log] are sources of information regarding crime, and inquired after the funds dedicated to police.

Member of the public, Virginia Dwyer, addressed the council regarding trustee duties and decorum and further addressed the special mileage millage.

Member of the public, Peggy Germain, addressed the council regarding currently not having a police department.

#### 4. Street Assistant Candidates and Interviews

President Pro Tem Doug Harrer updated the council regarding the street assistant hiring process and the addition of 4 additional candidates and inquired about how the council would like to move forward.

Motion made by Trustee Anderson and seconded by Trustee Ranville to table this [street assistant council interviews] until the street superintendent and the administrator interview the 4 additional candidates and bring their recommendations along with the personnel committee's recommendation to the next regularly scheduled council meeting.

President Pro Tem Doug Harrer polled the Council:

Yes: Anderson, Abramson, No: King, Ranville, Harrer

Abstain: Rowe (Abstained due to a conflict of interest as Trustee Rowe is an applicant for the street

assistant position)
Motion Defeated 3/2

A discussion was held regarding how to move forward with the street assistant hiring process.

Motion made by Trustee King that the present members of the council interview the 2 candidates that the personnel committee recommended and make a choice between those 2 candidates and consider the application period closed sometime ago.

Attempted second by Trustee Ranville with amendment, exited meeting without amendment. No Second, Motion Failed

Trustee Anderson and Trustee Ranville exited the meeting at 6:50 PM. Quorum for issue lost.

President Pro Tem Doug Harrer personally apologized to the present street assistant candidates for not being able to interview them at the current meeting.

### 5. DPW Travel Budget

Motion made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Abramson that the council authorize the street department to spent up to \$1500.00 to travel to Duluth, MN, and St. Charles, MN to inspect snow removal equipment and take oil samples.

President Pro Tem Doug Harrer polled the Council:

Yes: King, Abramson, Rowe

No: Harrer

Motion Carried 3/1

# 6. Adjournment

Motion made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Rowe to adjourn at 6:57 PM President Pro Tem Doug Harrer conducted a voice vote: Yeas: 3 Nays: 1 (Yeas: Abramson, Rowe, Harrer Nays: King)

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Motion Carried 3/1

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin P. Weir Calumet Village Clerk September 2, 2019