CALUMET VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT
TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2026
CALUMET VILLAGE TOWNHALL, 340 SIXTH STREET
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Present: President Rob Tarvis, Trustees Ariele Pizzo, Pamela Que, Kelly Ryan, Bernice Smith; Clerk Lori Weir
Absent: Trustees Matt L'Esperance, James Tercha
Also Present from the Village: Manager Megan Haselden, CEDM Fellow Joey Foster
Present from the Public: 16 in-person attendees; 1 attendee via Zoom

I. Call to Order
Tarvis called the meeting to order at 6:00pm
Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Tarvis provided an opening announcement regarding item V. 4. (Intent to Vacate a Portion of 9th Street) on the agenda.

II. Petitions from the Public (members of the public have 5 minutes to speak)
The council received comments from the public. The main topic addressed was the intent to vacate a portion of 9th street (agenda item V. 4.).

III. Approval of Agenda
Que moved, seconded by Smith to approve the agenda with the following changes:
- Move VI. 1. 2026 Farmers Market Location before Unfinished Business
- Add under New Business "Appointment to the DDA Board – Janet Johnston"

Motion Carried 5/0

IV. Approval of Consent Agenda Items *(items are considered routine by the council and will be enacted by one motion. If discussion of an item is required, it will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.)*

Review and approval of Council meeting minutes
Regular Meeting March 17, 2026

Review and approval of bills
Prior Paid Bills in the amount of $11,443.05
New Bills in the amount of $32,216.72
March Payroll in the amount of $30,450.94

Que moved, seconded by Pizzo to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote:
Yeas: Tarvis, Pizzo, Ryan, Smith, Que
Nays: None
Absent: L'Esperance, Tercha

Motion Carried 5/0

Moved up from New Business
2026 Farmers Market Location - Gabriela Solorzano with From the Ground Farmers Market Collective requested that the council approve their request to hold the Calumet Farmers Market at Agassiz Park again for the 2026 season. Discussion regarding parking and possible construction on 4th street was had.

Que moved, seconded by Pizzo to approve Agassiz Park as the location of the Farmers Market for the 2026 season.

Motion Carried 5/0

V. Unfinished Business

1. Village Manager Report – Manager provided updates grants, building renovations, hiring, the 5th street building collapse, and upcoming events.

2. Organizational Development Committee Report – Ryan (ODC Chair)

3. Blight Task Force Report – No Meeting
President Tarvis nominated Pamela Que as the Chair of the Blight Task Force.

Motion Carried 5/0

4. Resolution of Intent to Vacate Portion of 9th Street
Que moved, seconded by Pizzo to approve the Resolution to Vacate Interest in Lot 11, 12, and 13 of 9th Street.

Discussion about next steps and scheduling the public hearing.

Roll Call Vote:
Yeas: Tarvis, Pizzo, Ryan, Smith, Que
Nays: None
Absent: L'Esperance, Tercha

Motion Carried 5/0

5. Big Annie Plaque – Plaque design, size, location, and language were presented to the council by members of the Big Annie Statue Committee.

Que moved, seconded by Ryan to approve the plaque and its placement in front of the Big Annie Satute.

Motion Carried 5/0

VI. New Business

1. Appointment to the Downtown Development Authority (DDA)
President Tarvis nominated Janet Johnston to serve on the DDA.

Motion Carried 5/0

2. Fire Authority Articles of Incorporation
Manager Haselden presented the Articles of Incorporation that have been reviewed and approved by both villages and the township. She is asking the council to approve moving this document to its next stage, which is legal review.

Que moved, seconded by Smith to approve the Fire Authority Articles of Incorporation as presented, and move them forward to legal counsel for review.

Roll Call Vote:
Yeas: Tarvis, Pizzo, Ryan, Smith, Que
Nays: None
Absent: L'Esperance, Tercha

Motion Carried 5/0

VII. Announcements/Other Council Business
Council set Public Hearing on the Intent to Vacate a Portion of 9th Street for Monday, May 18, 2026 at 6:00pm in the Calumet Theatre Ballroom.

VIII. Comments from the Public
Council received public comments.
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IX. Adjourn
Que moved, seconded by Smith to adjourn the meeting at 7:17p.m.

Motion Carried 5/0

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Weir, Clerk