

CALUMET VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2024
CALUMET VILLAGE TOWNHALL, 340 SIXTH STREET
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Present: President Rob Tarvis; Trustees Matt L’Esperance, Pamela Que, Kelly Ryan, Bernice Smith, James Tercha; Clerk Lori Weir

Absent: Trustees Wyatt Behm

Also Present from the Village: Manager Megan Haselden

Present from the Public: 1 Community Member

I. Call to Order

Tarvis called the meeting to order at 6:00pm with roll call and led the Pledge of Allegiance

II. Petitions from the Public (*members of the public have 5 minutes to speak*)

None

III. Approval of Agenda

Que moved, seconded by L’Esperance to approve the agenda as presented

Motion Carried 6/0

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	November 19, 2024 - Not included in the Board Packet and will be tabled until the January meeting
Special Meeting	November 26, 2024
Statutory Meeting	November 26, 2024

Review and approval of bills

Prior Paid Bills in the amount of \$233,384.96

New Bills in the amount of \$142,992.88 (this includes the \$110.00 membership fee for MI Association of Mayors)

Review and acceptance of Reports

Manager Report – Haselden updated on the following:

- Financial Audit progress
- Continued BS&A transition work
- Reinstatement of last year’s financial statement due to the fire site funding
- Grant Reporting
- CEDM Fellow candidate search
- DPW staffing and equipment issues
- Ruppe Building Update – Discussion related to DDA, village liability, and public outreach.

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Que moved, seconded by L'Esperance to approve the consent agenda without the November 19 Meeting Minutes and adding the \$110.00 membership fee for the MI Assn. of Mayors to the new bills.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: L'Esperance, Que, Ryan, Smith, Tarvis, Tercha

Nays: None

Absent: Behm

Motion Carried 6/0

V. Documents and Correspondence

1. MDOT Notice of MTF Distribution (see attached)

VI. Unfinished Business

1. Section 19 Award

Ryan moved, seconded by Que to approve the proposal from UPEA at a cost of \$15,000, and to cover that cost from the Municipal Streets Fund.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: L'Esperance, Que, Ryan, Smith, Tarvis, Tercha

Nays: None

Absent: Behm

Motion Carried 6/0

2. Audit Update – Provided during the Manager's Report

VII. New Business

1. FY2025 Financial Update and FY2026 Budget

Haselden provided a budget review with the new budget layout and categories for revenue and expenses. Leading up to the Annual Budget Meeting, this will be reviewed in detail at each council meeting.

VIII. Announcements – Other Council Business

1. Dump Truck Repair

L'Esperance moved, seconded by Ryan to approve the expenditure of up to \$5,000 for the repair of the dump truck transmission.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: L'Esperance, Que, Ryan, Smith, Tarvis, Tercha

Nays: None

Absent: Behm

Motion Carried 6/0

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2. DPW Hourly Wage Increases

Que moved, seconded by L'Esperance to increase the hourly rate for the 2 seasonal full-time DPW employees (drivers with CDL) to \$19.00 per hour.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: L'Esperance, Que, Ryan, Smith, Tarvis, Tercha

Nays: None

Absent: Behm

Motion Carried 6/0

Que moved, seconded by Smith to increase the hourly rate for the seasonal part-time DPW employees (drivers with CDL) to \$18.00 per hour.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: L'Esperance, Que, Ryan, Smith, Tarvis, Tercha

Nays: None

Absent: Behm

Motion Carried 6/0

3. Ryan addressed the council regarding the Ruppe Building and requested the Council and DDA have talking points as we should all be on the same page when community members come to any of us with questions. She stated that this can provide more transparency and connectivity of Village Government and its boards. Also as a new council member, Ryan asked for clear guidance regarding the respective organizational roles and responsibilities of the DDA, Main Street Calumet, KEDA, the Houghton Land Bank, and the Bring Back Calumet group – particularly in regards to decision making authority, accountability, and liability within the Village of Calumet. No answer was provided.

IX. Comments from the Public – None

X. Adjourn

Que moved, seconded by Smith to adjourn the meeting at 7:20pm.

Motion Carried 6/0

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Weir, Clerk