CALUMET VILLAGE COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2025 – 6:00 PM
CALUMET VILLAGE TOWNHALL, 340 SIXTH STREET
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Present: President Rob Tarvis; Trustees Matt L'Esperance, Pamela Que, Kelly Ryan, James Tercha; Clerk Lori Weir
Absent: Trustee Bernice Smith (1 vacant seat)
Also Present from the Village: Manager Megan Haselden
Present from the Public: None

I. Call to Order / Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance
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 Tercha to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion Carried 5/0

IV. Reports
1. Manager – Haselden provided the Manager's report which included the following updates:
    - 150th Anniversary Celebration planning which includes collaborative events with the Calumet Theatre (125th Anniversary) and the Calumet Golf Course (100th Anniversary). The main Village Event will be a Block party on 6th Street (September 12 & 13).
    - Village open House to celebrate our incorporation date – March 19th from 3pm – 6pm.
    - DPW compliance issue and anticipated timeline for the work following snow melt.
    - Haselden will again seek congressionally designated funding for a new DPW building.
    - Job posting for the Office Assistant is going well and Haselden will start interviews soon.
    - Theatre boiler installation is complete, and the next step is to upgrade the heating units in the Ballroom.
    - The 1st stage of stabilization of the Ruppe Building is complete.
    - Haselden is speaking with banks to see what products are offered for municipalities.

- Haselden will be presenting at the Wake Up Keweenaw session on March 12.
- A joint session of all Village Boards and Commissions is needed and will be scheduled for either late April/early May.

2. DDA - Haselden provided updates from the DDA meeting, including:
    - The "Small Grant Program" is open with a $2500 max award.
    - Renewing and updating the US41 Billboard
    - Potential re-developments in the downtown area. Parking would be required, and the Village would consider municipal development of additional parking . These discussions and decisions will need to include HDC.
3. Planning Commission
    - No Quorum. Discussed issues with the commission meetings not having a quorum, but still able to use these public meetings as work sessions.
4. HDC
    - Working on presentation/outreach for local contractors, realtors, developers.

V. Unfinished / Revolving Business

1. Conflict of Interest Policy / Code of Ethics – Haselden shared examples and asked for the council to provide feedback so that a draft could be provided for the April work session.

VI. New Business

1. Appointment to Houghton County Recreation Authority -L'Esperance is interested. Meetings are quarterly.
2. BS&A Online payments – Haselden reviewed the online payment options available for free from BS&A. There is a fee for the office terminal, but no fee for using the service.
3. 150th Anniversary Celebration – Updates provided during the Managers Report.

VII. Announcements – Ryan asked how the 1st "Meet the Village President" session at Keweenaw Coffee Works went. President Tarvis gave an update.

VIII. Comments from the Public *(members of the public have 5 minutes to speak)* - None

IX. Adjourn

L'Esperance moved, seconded by Que to adjourn the meeting at 6:44pm.

Motion Carried 5/0

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Weir, Clerk