CALUMET VILLAGE COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2025
CALUMET VILLAGE TOWNHALL, 340 SIXTH STREET

Present: President Pro Tempore Pamela Que; Trustees Matt L'Esperance, Ariele Pizzo, Kelly Ryan, Bernice Smith, James Tercha; Clerk Lori Weir
Absent: President Rob Tarvis
Also Present from the Village: Manager Megan Haselden
Present from the Public: Virginia Dwyer, Sandy Johnson, Marlain Therrian

I. Call to Order
Que 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
Tercha moved, seconded by L'Esperance to approve the agenda as presented
Motion Carried 6/0

IV. Public Presentation on the Community Development Block Grant MI Neighborhood Funding through MSHDA. Haselden reviewed the details of the grant and the requirements for residents who are interested in applying. There will be 16 grants available for $25,000 each. She also provided information on how applications will be processed and awards distributed. In addition, Haselden went over in detail the role of the Grant Administrator, assessor, and the process for selecting contractors for the awarded projects. Once the grant application for the $400,000 is submitted, the Village should hear back by October 15, 2025.

Trustee Ryan recognized Chris Green from the Planning Commission for his work in doing research and gathering data for this application.

V. Petitions from the Public
Questions and comments were accepted from the public present.

- Dwyer asked about income requirements, how the public would be made aware of this opportunity, what happens if there are not enough applicants (16)
- Johnson asked if the resident chose their contractor. This led to discussion on contractor selection and requirements as well as how the assessor will prioritize projects with homeowners.
- Haselden reiterated that the Village as well as the Grant Administrator would be working with the awardees throughout the entire process from starting the application to project completion.

VI. Adjourn

L'Esperance moved, seconded by Tercha to adjourn the public hearing at 6:28pm.

Motion Carried 6/0

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Weir, Clerk