

...January 27, 2017...

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Calumet was held at the Township office on January 27, 2017.

Trustee Timothy Gasperich called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Attending were Clerk Beth Salmela, Treasurer Debra Aubin, Trustees David Yeo, Robert Zander and Timothy Gasperich.

Absent Supervisor Paul Lehto and Trustee Jeffrey West.

Guests: Jerry Mitchell, Josh Mortti, Roger Reiter and Keith Koppennolle; Township residents and Tom Tikkanen; Houghton County Board.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Trustee Zander and supported by Trustee Yeo to approve the December 29, 2016 regular board minutes and the public hearing minutes.

Carried 5 0.

CORRESPONDANCE:

A letter was received from Aspirus Hospital about their fundraising program called "The Jersey Fund".

Trustee Gasperich informed the Board that an email that was received from Foster Swift on "Slip and Fall" lawsuits.

Trustee Gasperich informed the Board that a letter was received from Andrew Storer from MTU on a study he did of the trees on Sixth Street from Burger King to the Americinn. His recommendation is to remove the trees as they were killed by the emerald ash borer.

NEW BUSINESS:

A discussion was held in regards to holding music festivals in Calumet Township. Josh Mortti, James Newman and Roger Reiter spoke about the festivals they want to hold at Lions Park and Jerry Mitchell spoke on a festival he wants to hold at Swedetown Park. After a discussion, it was decided to speak to Supervisor Lehto before giving the Boards decision.

Trustee Gasperich informed the Board that the closing of the Depot took place on January 24, 2017.

Motion by Treasurer Aubin and supported by Clerk Salmela to pay of the balance left on the loan, after we receive the DNR Grant monies, to Range Bank from the Colosseum Construction Fund.

Carried 5 0.

Motion by Trustee Zander and supported by Treasurer Aubin to pay for the repairs to the Colosseum plow truck from the equipment fund.

Carried 5 0.

Motion by Trustee Zander and supported by Treasurer Aubin to send the \$2500 annual payment to the BI-Centennial rom the Colosseum Fund.

Carried 5 0.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Clerk Salmela to pay \$300 to B&B Contracting for snow removal at the Township Office.

Carried 5 0.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Trustee Zander to reappoint Paul Lehto to a 4 year term on the Sewer Authority Board to expire July 2020.

Carried 5 0.

Fire Report: None

Motion by Trustee Zander and supported by Treasurer Aubin to pay the bills as presented.

Carried 5 0.

GUEST APPEARANCES:

Tom Tikkanen informed the Board that he has been appointed to the Solid Waste Committee. He will speak to Supervisor Lehto about the possibility of a transfer/recycling station in the North end.

He also stated that he was appointed to the Main Street Board.

Motion by Treasurer Aubin and supported by Clerk Salmela to adjourn at 1:40.

Carried 5 0.

Timothy Gasperich, Trustee

Beth Salmela, Clerk