

...October 27, 2017...

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

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

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

Absent: Supervisor Paul Lehto

Guests: Joe Snow; Calumet Village Administrator and Cynthia MacDonald; Swedetown Trails Club President.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Treasurer Aubin to approve the August September 29, 2017 regular board minutes.
Carried 6 0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mr. Kuuisisto did not respond to the offer for the purchase of the Houghton Douglass Falls.

A letter was received from James Newman who is one of the organizers of the Dam Jam. Motion by Trustee West and supported by Treasurer Aubin to agree to the letter with one change. The concert must end at 1:00 for both nights. Clerk Salmela with send an email to James Newman informing him of the change.
The letter is attached.

NEW BUSINESS:

A letter was received from Kathleen Beattie, Houghton County Treasurer concerning Land Bank Properties.

Motion by Treasurer Aubin and supported by Trustee Zander for the Township to reject the parcels listed in the letter.
Carried 6 0.

Dan Rogan is interested in a parcel of land at the Centennial #6 site.

Motion by Clerk Salmela and supported by Trustee West to have Trustee Tim Gasperich and Supervisor Paul Lehto negotiate the sale.
Carried 6 0.

Motion by Trustee Zander and supported by Treasurer Aubin to hire UPEA to provide specifications to repaint the Calumet Townships water tower in Swedetown. Payment will be made from the Fire/Water Fund.
Carried 6 0.

John Sullivan is working on two Grants for upgrades at the Swedetown Ponds. The Grants are \$12,000 from The Keweenaw Foundation and \$12,000 from The Portage Health Foundation.

Fire Report: None.

Motion by Trustee West and supported by Trustee Zander to give a 4% raise to all Township employees beginning Jan 1, 2018.
Carried 6 0.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Trustee West to pay the bills as presented with the addition of a \$1400 invoice from Carlson Construction for the removal of four trees in Swedetown Park.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

Cynthia MacDonald, Swedetown Club President, gave a report on the Swedetown ski trails. She stated that their summer donation money was stolen from the donation pipes.

Trustee Gasperich reminded the Board that there is a MTA meeting at Franklin Township Wednesday November 1st.

Motion by Treasurer Aubin and supported by Clerk Salmela to adjourn at 1:20
Carried 6 0.

Timothy Gasperich, Trustee

Beth Salmela, Clerk