

...December 29, 2022...

The regular monthly meeting and the public hearing of the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Calumet was held at the Township office on December 29, 2022.

Attending were Supervisor Timothy Gasperich, Clerk Robin Hicks, Treasurer Lana Hyrkas, Trustees, David Yeo, Jeffrey West, Paul Lehto and Thomas Helppi.

Absent: None

Guests: Tom Tikkanen: Houghton County Commissioner, Chris Holmes, UPEA. Craig Hughes: Swedetown Trails Club, Larry Zurawski: Swedetown Trails Club

Supervisor Gasperich called the Public Hearing to order at 1:00.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The purpose of this meeting was to review the 2022/2023 Budgets

Public Comment: None

Supervisor Gasperich closed the public hearing at 1:05 and opened the regular monthly meeting.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Treasurer Hyrkas to approve the November 18, 2022 regular minutes as presented with one minor spelling correction. Carried 7 0.

NEW BUSINESS.

The 2022 Budget adjustments were reviewed.

Motion by Trustee Lehto and supported by Trustee Yeo to pass resolution 22-14 Resolution to Approve the 2023 Budget Voice Vote:

Ayes: Yeo, Hicks, Lehto, Helppi, Hyrkas, Gasperich, West

Nays: 0

Resolution 22-14 passed.

Copy is attached.

Discussion was held with Craig Hughes and Larry Zurawski regarding updates to the Swedetown Chalet. They are looking for help with the cost of the plan through UPEA to expand the first floor. They will also be asking Portage for help.

The following motions were made by Trustee Yeo and supported by Trustee Helppi:

1. To approve Charles Miller, Patrick Greeley and Miller Canfield as the Township Attorneys.
2. To approve Sturos CPA as the Township Auditor.
3. To approve Range Bank, Superior National Bank and the Incredible Bank as the depositors for the Township.

Carried 7 0.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Trustee Helppi to set the meeting dates for the Charter Township Board of Trustees for 2023 as follows:

January 27, February 24, March 31, April 28, May 26, June 30, July 28, August 25, September 29, October 27, November 17 and December 28.

All meeting dates are the last Friday of the month at 1:00 p.m. unless listed otherwise.

Carried 7 0.

Motion by Trustee West and supported by Clerk Hicks to hire Hein Surveying to update our Township Tax Maps for an approximate cost of \$1500.00. Carried 7 0.

Discussion was held regarding road projects for 2023, more discussions will be held at a later date.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Township received \$10,000 from Incredible Bank for the new Colosseum sign. We are looking to possibly receive more donations from Campioni's or other local businesses.

Supervisor Gasperich informed the Board that Copper Dog wants to cross our properties for the race in 2023. They do have our properties listed on the liability insurance.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and Trustee Helppi to accept the bid from Pat Coleman to update our Recreational Plan in the amount of \$5200.00.

Carried 7 0.

A discussion was held regarding the lease agreement with Luokus Technologies for renting the #6 dry building. This was already agreed upon at the last meeting and will start January 1, 2023.

Fire Department report:

None.

Motion by Treasurer Hyrkas and supported by Trustee Helppi to pay the bills as presented.

Carried 7 0.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

Tom Tikkanen spoke about the county purchasing the old church property on Sharon Avenue in Houghton to possibly use for county offices there.

Chris Holmes talked about the letter of conditions, plans and specs for the tank painting project. They are ready to bid.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Trustee Helppi to adjourn at 1:45.

Carried 7 0.

Timothy Gasperich, Supervisor

Robin Hicks, Clerk

