

...November 17, 2023...

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Calumet was held at the Township office on November 17, 2023.

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

Absent: Trustee Paul Lehto

Guests: Larry Zurawski: Swedetown Trails Club, Tom Tikkanen from Houghton County, Courtney Sebeck, Chris Holmes from UPEA and Pat Coleman from North of 45.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Trustee West to approve the October 27, 2023 regular minutes as presented.

Carried 6/0.

#### PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

Tom Tikkanen discussed upcoming possible projects for Calumet Electronics Corporation and other news in the County. Pat Coleman discussed the Master Plan Proposal.

#### NEW BUSINESS.

Motion by Trustee West supported by Trustee Helppi to approve paying the membership fee of \$2000.00 to WUPPDR.

Carried 6/0.

Motion by Trustee Yeo supported by Trustee West to approve increasing election worker wages \$2 per hour.

Carried 6/0.

Motion by Treasurer Hyrkas and supported by Clerk Hicks to move forward with an EGLE application for dam repair at Calumet Lake. We will match 10% out of our building and maintenance fund.

Carried 6/0.

Motion by Trustee West and supported by Trustee Yeo to approve moving forward with the Master Plan proposal submitted by Pat Coleman with an estimated cost of \$24K. This will take around 9 to 12 months to complete.

Carried 6/0.

There was a discussion regarding a new heating system at the Colosseum, possibly using ARPA funds or look for grants. We received a proposal from RC Mechanical in the amount of \$338K. This will be discussed more at a later time.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Trustee West to approve the purchase of a new plow truck with ARPA funds and sell the old plow truck to Laurium Village.

Carried 6/0.

The proposed meeting dates for 2024 were looked over and so far there are no conflicts.

Motion was made by Trustee Helppi and supported by Clerk Hicks to approve the collection of Summer taxes for Lake Linden School, Calumet School and the CCISD.  
Carried 6/0.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was a discussion held regarding the sale of The Depot. We will be moving forward with advertising the sale on the website and on our public posting board here at the office.

Correspondence: None at this time

Fire Department report: CTFR responded to 5 calls for the month of November, bringing the year-to-date total to 82. The department is receiving new turn-out gear in March 2024. Members of the department went to the township brush pile and burned it for us. A list was provided of the current firemen and their status for their yearly compensation.

Motion by Trustee Helppi and supported by Treasurer Hyrkas to pay the bills as presented.  
Carried 6/0.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Trustee West to adjourn at 1:25pm.  
Carried 6/0.

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Timothy Gasperich, Supervisor

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Robin Hicks, Clerk

