

...September 22, 2023...

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

The purpose of the Public Hearing was to discuss an amendment to Ordinance 45 to provide for the issuance of township operating licenses to state licensed marihuana retailers. No discussion was held.

There was a motion from Trustee West and supported by Trustee Yeo to close the public meeting at 1:04pm.

Carried 6 0

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Calumet was held at the Township office on September 22, 2023. The meeting was opened at 1:04pm.

Attending were Supervisor Tim Gasperich, Clerk Robin Hicks, Trustees, Paul Lehto, Jeffrey West, David Yeo and Tom Helppi

Absent: Treasurer Hyrkas

Guests: Tom Tikkanen Houghton County Commissioner, Larry Zurawski from Swedetown Trails Club and Jim Flood of Flood Construction

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Trustee Yeo supported by Trustee Helppi to approve the August 15,2023 and August 25,2023 minutes

Carried 6 0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Trustee West and supported by Clerk Hicks to adopt Ordinance 47, amending Ordinance 45 to provide for the issuance of Township Operating Licenses to State-Licensed Marihuana Retailers and limiting the number of Township operating licenses to three.

Voice Vote:

Ayes: Yeo, Hicks, Lehto, West, Gasperich.

Nays: Helppi

Ordinance 47 has been adopted.

Copy is attached.

A motion made by Clerk Hicks and supported by Trustee West to pass Resolution 23-12, Resolution to establish the early voting site in Houghton County for all State and Federal Elections held within Charter Township of Calumet.

Voice Vote:

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

Nays: 0

Resolution 23-12 passed.

Copy is attached.

The Knights of Columbus donated \$1200.00 to go towards the Recreation Park. A motion was made by Clerk Hicks and supported by Trustee Yeo to use the money for tables and cover the rest with DDA funds.

Carried 6 0

Trustee Yeo made a motion and it was supported by Trustee Lehto to pass Resolution 23-13, Resolution to apply to the State of Michigan for Disaster Assistance for the spring 2023 flooding.

Voice Vote:

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

Nays: 0

Resolution 22-13 passed.

Copy is attached.

A motion was made by Trustee Helppi and supported by Trustee Lehto to approve the following Planning Commission recommendations:

- Approving a request from Jim Spence to allow the construction of an accessory structure in an R2 district, not to exceed 35 feet in height.
- Denying the request from Ron Keagle for a variance in the minimum size for a residential building in an R1 district.
- Approving a request from Calumet Township to change the zoning classification of lots 20,21,22, Plat of Hecla II from C1 to M1 zoning.
- Approving the request from Overland Engineering to lower the number of required parking places from 62 to 48 for the proposed Dollar General Store on the corner of Pine Street and Mine Street.

A motion was made by Trustee West and Supported by Trustee Yeo to appoint Supervisor Gasperich as a member of WUPPDR on file and Trustee Yeo to be the alternate when needed.
Carried 6 0

OLD BUSINESS:

Jim Flood presented his plans for renovating the depot if purchased by him. The timeline had him preparing for guests and tours by Fall of 2025. There was a motion made by Trustee Lehto and supported by Trustee West to move forward with the sale.
Carried 6 0

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

Fire Department:

No report.

Bills:

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

Motion by Clerk Hicks and supported by Trustee Yeo to adjourn at 1:38pm.
Carried 6/0.

Timothy Gasperich, Supervisor

Robin Hicks, Clerk

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