

. . .April 26, 2024 .

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Calumet was held at the Township office on April 26, 2024.

Attending were Supervisor Timothy Gasperich, Clerk Robin Hicks, Treasurer Lana Hyrkas, Trustees, Jeffrey West, Gary Lassila and Thomas Helppi. Absent: Trustee Yeo

Guests: Larry Zurawski: Swedetown Trails Club, Jeff Ratcliffe:KEDA, Lisa Mattila: Houghton County Treasurer, Robert Tarvis: Calumet Village President

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Trustee West and supported by Trustee Lassila to approve the March 22, 2024 regular minutes as presented. Carried 6/0.

NEW BUSINESS.

Motion by Treasurer Hyrkas and supported by Trustee Helppi to pass the amended Resolution 24-04 adding the percentage of match for the Paul Lehto Baseball Diamond Recreation Passport Grant Program

Voice Vote:

Ayes: Hicks, Helppi, Hyrkas, Gasperich, West, Lassila

Nays: 0

Absent: Yeo

Amended Resolution 24-04 passed.

Copy is attached.

Motion by Trustee Lassila and supported by Trustee West to pass the amended Resolution 24-07 adding the percentage of match for the Swedetown Recreation Trust Fund Grant

Voice Vote:

Ayes: Hicks, Helppi, Hyrkas, Gasperich, West, Lassila

Nays: 0

Absent: Yeo

Amended Resolution 24-07 passed.

Copy is attached.

We received a letter from the Houghton County Road Commission with a list of rates for dust control on our rural roads. We decided against going forward with that.

The board decided to move forward with a land sale to Superior Polymer, further details will be discussed at a later time.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jeff Ratcliffe from KEDA and Houghton County Treasurer Lisa Mattila had a presentation regarding Blight Elimination in Calumet Township from which they were requesting financial support in the amount of \$75,000. They had pictures of current foreclosed properties that Treasurer Mattila visited recently and the projects they are wanting to get done.

A motion was made by Trustee West and supported by Trustee Lassila to approve giving \$50,000 to the Land Bank to help with these properties. Carried 6/0.

A discussion was held with Larry Zurawski regarding the Copper Shores Grant for the Swedetown Chalet Expansion. A \$35,000 grant was approved to help with phase one of the parking lot and ramp.

We also discussed needing to purchase a new lawn mower and dump trailer, maybe using ARPA funds for those purchases. A final decision will be reached at a later time.

Fire Department report: None

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

Motion by Trustee West and supported by Trustee Helppi to adjourn at 1:54. Carried 6/0.

Timothy Gasperich, Supervisor

Robin Hicks, Clerk