

...October 31, 2025 ...

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Calumet was held at the Township office on October 31, 2025 at 1pm.

Attending were Supervisor Timothy Gasperich, Clerk Robin Hicks, Treasurer Lana Hyrkas, Trustees, David Yeo, Jeffrey West, Thomas Helppi and Gary Lassila Absent: none

Guests: Tom Tikkanen: Houghton County Commissioner, Dan Zubiena: Postmaster, Larry Zurawski from Swedetown Trails Club, Matt L'Esperance and Dean Woodbeck.

The meetings opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Trustee Lassila to approve the September 26, 2025 minutes. Carried 7/0.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

Tom Tikkanen spoke briefly about the goings on in Houghton County to include hiring a new airport manager and discussions of possibly selling some of the County's properties to help build the new jail.

NEW BUSINESS.

Motion by Treasurer Hyrkas supported by Trustee Yeo to approve paying the annual membership fee of \$2000.00 to WUPPDR.

Supervisor Gasperich discussed the Michigan DNR Trust Fund Grant TF24-0150 of \$400,000 for the Swedetown Chalet Expansion Project.

Trustee Helppi made a motion for approval for Supervisor Gasperich to sign the DNR Trust Fund Grant agreement. This was supported by Trustee West.  
Carried 7/0.

Motion by Trustee West and supported by Trustee Yeo to pass Resolution 25-06 to accept the terms of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Grant TF24-0150.

Voice Vote:

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Resolution 25-06 passed.

Copy is attached.

The Board discussed the Township funds needed for the Chalet expansion project would be \$100,000. It was agreed to move forward and the Swedetown Trails Club will also be contributing \$100,000.

A motion was made by Trustee West and supported by Trustee Lassila to hire Nikolas Djerf as a full time employee.

Carried 7/0.

OLD BUSINESS: None

Correspondence: We received a thank you card from the Keweenaw ATV Club for the donation of the mine rock. They had an open house at the new facility on November 8<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 3pm.

Fire Department report: None

Motion by Trustee Helppi and supported by Treasurer Hyrkas to pay the bills as presented. Carried 7/0.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Trustee West to adjourn at 1:23. Carried 7/0.

Timothy Gasperich, Supervisor

Robin Hicks, Clerk