

...January 30, 2026 ...

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Calumet was held at the Township office on January 30, 2026 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: Larry Zurawski from Swedetown Trails Club, Joey Foster: Community Development Fellow,
Residents: Adam Taivalkoski and Sarah Green

The meetings opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Trustee Helppi to approve the December 19, 2025 minutes.
Carried 7/0.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

Sarah Green talked briefly about the nation, ICE in Minneapolis and President Trump.

NEW BUSINESS.

Motion by Trustee West and supported by Trustee Lassila to approve moving forward with fixing the furnaces at the Colosseum. We have a quote for \$31,000. Carried 7/0.

Supervisor Gasperich discussed the MI Neighborhood Grant that we applied for. This Grant will help 16 low to moderate income households with \$20,000 each in external repairs. We will accept applications and it will be determined by a lottery like system who will be awarded the grant money.

Josh Mortti was here to talk about Dam Jam this year. They would like to hold the event at the Calumet Lake Park on June 26th and 27th this year. The Board agreed to allow the use of the Park for those dates.

The Board agreed that a work session will be held after hours to discuss a few items later this month.

Trustee Helppi made a motion and Trustee Yeo to approve deferring the 3% tax penalty for late payments from February 15 through February 28, 2026.
Carried 7/0.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was a discussion held regarding our new website. Everyone liked the new platform and it will be launching later in February. Any ideas or changes should be relayed to Nick Djerf.

Correspondence: None

Fire Department report: None

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

Motion by Trustee Helppi and supported by Trustee Lassila to adjourn at 1:22. Carried 7/0.

Timothy Gasperich, Supervisor

Robin Hicks, Clerk