

...October 28, 2016...

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Calumet was held at the Township office on October 28, 2016.

Supervisor Lehto called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Attending were Supervisor Paul Lehto, Treasurer Debra Aubin, Clerk Beth Salmela, Trustees, David Yeo, Jeffrey West, Robert Zander and Timothy Gasperich.

Absent: None

Guests: Greg Kingstrom; UPEA, Cynthia McDonald; Swedetown Trails President and Keith Koppernolle; Township resident.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Treasurer Aubin and supported by Trustee Yeo to accept the September 30, 2016 minutes as presented.

Carried 7 0.

OLD BUSINESS:

The final application for payment for \$12,069 for the Colosseum Board project has been received.

Motion by Trustee Zander and supported by Trustee West to pay off the loan as soon as we get the DNR pmt.

Carried 7 0

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Trustee Zander and supported by Treasurer Aubin to send a letter of support for a Calumet Village Downtown Grant.

Carried 7 0

MSHDA sent \$15,000 to Calumet Township for the release of a lien from their low-income rehabilitation program.

The Board will look into the possibility of purchasing sump pumps, furnaces and water heaters for low-income property owners with water problems.

Motion by Clerk Salmela and supported by Trustee Zander to sell lot 28 on Cedar St. for \$ 2500 and lots 82, 83 and 84 on Waterworks St. for \$5600.

Carried 7 0.

Motion by Trustee West and supported by Treasurer Aubin to purchase an undergrown loader to put on display at Osceola #13 for \$1000.

Carried 7 0.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Treasurer Aubin to record a public easement from the end of Amygdaloid St (old dump road) to the Township South boundary line, which will provide access to residential property in section 18.

Carried 7 0.

Motion By Trustee Zander and supported by Trustee West to give all employees a 4% raise beginning January 1, 2017.

Carried 7 0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

The National Park Service is handling negotiations with the Griffiths on the purchase of the Depot.

There is no new news on the purchase of the Rifle Range.

The DNR has settled with the landowners for the purchase of the Houghton Douglas Falls. State Rep. Scott Dianda will make the announcement.

John Sullivan will work on a passport grant to build piers at Swedetown Ponds with the Rotary and Sportsman's Club.

Fire Dept. Report: None

Motion by Trustee West and supported by Trustee Gasperich approve the bills as presented.
Carried 7 0.

GUEST APPEARANCES:

Cynthia McDonald gave a report on a 5-year trail improvement plan for the Swedetown Trails.

Motion by Trustee Zander and supported by Treasurer Aubin to adjourn at 1:35.
Carried 7 0.

Paul Lehto, Supervisor

Beth Salmela, Clerk