

...March 31, 2017...

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Calumet was held at the Township office on March 31, 2017.

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

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

Absent: None

Guests: Tom Tikkanen; Houghton County Board, Cynthia MacDonald; Rev. Robert Langseth; Advisory Commission.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Trustee Zander to approve the February 24, 2017 regular board minutes.
Carried 7 0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Trustee West and supported by Trustee Zande to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to build a lattice tower instead of a monopole tower at the police post.
Carried 7 0.

Motion by Trustee Zander and supported by Treasurer Aubin to expand the lease area another 10 ft. to AT&T at the tower site.
Carried 7 0.

Motion by Trustee Gasperich and supported by Treasurer Aubin to accept the recommendations of the DDA Board to move \$20,000 from the DDA to the General Fund for public safety, Match the Park grant of \$14,000 for warehouse roof repairs and spend \$6000 to finish the concrete floor at the Drill Shop from the DDA operating fund.
Carried 7 0

Motion by Trustee Zander and supported by Trustee West to pass a resolution to submit a grant request to the Michigan Participating Plan Ins Company risk reduction program for emergency lighting in the Colosseum.

Voice Vote:

Yeas 7

Nays 0

Motion Carried

The resolution is attached.

Motion by Trustee Gasperich and supported by Treasurer Aubin to purchase the rifle range with \$20,000 from the Fire Fund and 20,000 from the General Fund when the funds are available.
Carried 7 0.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Clerk Salmela to purchase at last year's price of \$9100 in metal for the Warehouse roof.
Carried 7 0.

Motion by Treasurer Aubin and supported by Trustee West to spend \$920 on office renovations.
Carried 7 0.

Motion by Trustee Zander and supported by Treasurer Aubin to change the four UPPCO streetlights on the US41 and School Street intersection to LED lights.
Carried 7 0.

Motion by Treasurer Aubin and supported by Trustee Yeo to approve the tax dept. contract for 2017 services.

Carried 7 0.

Motion by Trustee West and supported by Trustee Zander to purchase new tax maps from Hein Surveying at a cost of \$1155.

Carried 7 0.

Motion By Treasurer Aubin and supported by Clerk Salmela to pass a resolution to confirm the appointment of Paul Lehto to the Michigan Townships Participation Plan to run for the Directors position.

Voice vote:

Yeas: 7

Nays 0

Absent None

Motion carried

The resolution is attached

Motion by Trustee Gasperich and supported by Trustee West to set up a Go Fund Me page to collect donations for renovations to the Depot.

INFORMATION

Supervisor Lehto informed the Board that he would pick up 9 holes for Disc golf at a cost of \$270.00. They are to be paid for with donations.

The Colosseum received a check from the Keweenaw Community Foundation for \$865.58 for the Sled Hockey Program.

A door opener for the Warehouse was purchased for \$850.00

Fire Report: None

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Trustee West to pay the bills as presented.

Carried 7 0.

GUEST APPEARANCES:

Rev. Robert Langseth gave a presentation on the Nation Park Advisory Commission.

He also told the Board that the 25th anniversary will be this summer.

Tom Tikkanen spoke about the overcrowding at the jail.

Cynthia MacDonald gave a report on the Swedetown trails. She said the Bear Chase that was held on March 12, 2017 was a success.

Motion by Trustee Zander and supported by Treasurer Aubin adjourn at 2:10.

Carried 7 0.

Paul Lehto, Supervisor

Beth Salmela, Clerk