The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Calumet was held at the Township office on March 27, 2015.

Supervisor Lehto called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Attending were Supervisor Paul Lehto, Clerk Beth Salmela, Treasurer Aubin, Trustees David Yeo, Jeffrey West, Robert Zander and Timothy Gasperich. Absent: Treasurer None.

Guests: Pat Boberg, Fire Chief, Bill Olsen, UPEA, Keith Koppernolle, Township Resident, Gary Lassila representing the Curling Club.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Trustee Zander and supported by Trustee Yeo to approve the February 27, 2015 board minutes.

Carried 70.

CORRESPONDANCE:

The Swedetown Trails Club sent in an end of month report.

Township resident wrote a letter expressing interest in having Branch Street repaired by the Houghton County Road Commission.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bill Olsen, UPEA gave a presentation on the passport recreation grant for the Hockey Boards at the Colosseum.

Public comments: Gary Lassila, Pat Boberg and Keith Koppernolle all spoke in favor of the project.

Motion by Treasurer Aubin and supported by Trustee West to pass a resolution to authorize Bill Olsen to apply for a second passport grant for \$45,000 Voice Vote:

Ayes: 7 Nayes: 0 Carried 7 0.

Gary Lassila gave a presentation on a MEDC Grant that is available for the Curling Rink. Motion by Trustee Gasperich and supported by Trustee Zander to authorize Gary Lassila to apply for a MEDC Grant for the Curling Club. Carried 7 0.

Motion by Treasurer Aubin and supported by Trustee West to appoint Gary Lassila to the DDA Board.

Carried 7 0.

Motion by Treasurer Aubin and supported by Clerk Salmela to grant a 3-year in-home business permit to Jeremy Whitmire located at 57331 Calumet Ave. The Business name will be J Whitmire Fine Metal Art & Engraving. The application is attached. Carried 7 0.

Motion by Clerk Salmela and supported by Trustee Zander to purchase a \$400 ¹/₂-page advertisement in the Calumet Theatre Brochure. Carried 7 0.

Motion by Trustee West and supported by Trustee Zander to spend \$2518 for upgrades to the Senior Team locker room at the Colosseum. Carried 7 0.

Motion by Treasurer Aubin and supported by Clerk Salmela to pay \$1400 to the Community Art Center for materials that will be used for the Wall Mural that Barb Flanagan is creating for the Township. Carried 7 0.

Motion by Trustee Yeo and supported by Trustee Gasperich to provide dental and vision coverage BC/BS for the Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer. The cost will be \$150 per month. Carried 7 0.

Motion by Trustee West and supported by Treasurer Aubin to renew the NORA lease at the Waterworks Park thru April 2025. Carried 7 0.

Motion by Trustee Zander and supported by Trustee Yeo to pay the bills as presented. Carried 7 0.

GUEST APPEARANCES:

Gary Lassila, President of the Curling Club asked for a 10-year rent agreement at the Drill Shop Supervisor Lehto and Gary Lassila will work out the terms.

Motion by Treasurer Aubin and supported by Clerk Salmela to adjourn at 1:43. Carried 7 0.

Paul Lehto, Supervisor

Beth Salmela, Clerk