Caledonia Township Board Of Trustees – Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday February 11th, 2025 @ 7:00 pm

Caledonia Township Hall 6461 Gillard Rd. Spruce, MI 48762

- I. Call to order: C. Apsey presiding and called to order at 7:02 pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance Completed
- III. Roll Call Anthony Sobeck; Present Tom Tice; Present Cyndi Apsey; Present
 - Haylee Rondeau; Present Cindy Smith; Present
- IV. Approval of Agenda with additions, deletions, and/or corrections: T Tice made **motion** to approve agenda as presented. A Sobeck seconded. All in favor- **Motion Passed**
- V. Public Comment: (3 minutes uninterrupted): Phyllis Vander Vlucht stated that the BOR notice on website stated factors were not the same for all. Also wanted to know why here winter 2024 taxes was for 1.0 mill when recent ballot was for 99.25.
- VI. Supervisor Report: None
- VII. Clerk: C Smith stated 1099 were sent in January.
- VIII. Meeting Minutes January 14th, 2024: A Sobeck made **motion** to approve minutes as presented. Seconded by T Tice. All in favor **Motion Passed**
- IX. Treasurer Report: Haylee reported she can collect taxes until 02/14/25 without penalty and can collect to end of month with penalty.
- X. Planning Commission Update: A Sobeck reported the PC met last Monday and went over the future land use map plan.
- XI. Veterans Representative: Lincoln birthday is tomorrow. April 14th, 1865 the day he was assassinated and signed into law legislation to create the secret service. Need 210 grave flags and we replace many of them. Would like two gross ordered.
- XII. Consumers Energy Franchise Renewal: Consumers presented an Ordinance for franchise renewal to use right of way of roads to provide service. Last one was for 30 years and it is expiring. Made a motion to approved Ordinance 25-01 and seconded by: ROLL CALL C Smith Yes; H Rondeau Yes; A Sobeck Yes; T Tice Yes; C Apsey Yes. 5 yay. All in favor Motion Passed
- XIII. Set Truth and Taxation Budget Hearing: Will be March 11th, 2025 at 6:30pm.
- XIV. Revised zoning ordinance: It went through planning commission and commissioners for 30 days and now before the board for approval. A Sobeck made a **motion** to approve propose ordinance book. T Tice seconded. ROLL CALL C Smith Yes; H Rondeau Yes; A Sobeck Yes; T Tice Yes; C Apsey Yes. 5 yay. All in favor **Motion Passed**
- XV. Zoning map: A Sobeck presented a purpose zoning use map to make it more in line with current use and future growth.

 A Sobeck made **motion** to approve the future land use map as presented. T Tice seconded. All in favor **Motion Passed**
- XVI. Liquor License: Owner of the Mt Inn (Anthony) announced that him and his wife purchased Smokey's and will be named Smokey Mountain Inn. Seeking liquor license in their name. Hoping for a May 1st, 2025 opening. Resolution 25-01. C Smith made a **motion** to approved liquor license resolution 25-01. Seconded by T Tice. Roll call: C Apsey Yes; C smith Yes; T Tice Yes; A Sobeck Yes H Rondeau Yes. **Motion Passed.**

- XVII. Library Agreement: Alcona Library wanted another meeting between HLCA and our board and them since the Twp board terms/requests were all answered with no from the HLCA. Anthony stated he wanted to check the hours of operation vs the school bus and to see its availability to school children after they get home. C Smith stated there is no sense in meeting since we've met three times and the HLCA will not compromise or offer solutions on any of the recommendations from this board. Cindy Smith supports a library but suggested Cyndi Apsey should speak with the Alcona Library to keep the current lease and location on a month to month basis as there is no reason to have to move now. C Apsey stated the HLCA would not seek a millage or funding per their email. Those in attendance from the HLCA stated they can't as they are a non-profit. Cyndi asked why not because the fire dept is nonprofit and has a millage. No answer given. Cyndi asked how they plan to keep funding the HLCA building upon completion by which the reply was "continued donations". This causes concern for a business plan to be run for years on donations when a millage would be best solution but they refuse to seek it. Cyndi will speak with county library to seek possibility of staying where we are since we can't come to an agreement on terms.
- XVIII. County Commissioner Report: Dave Jacqst was in attendance and stated he is now on the Library board and will be willing to help seek an agreement. Also, announce that they are seeking letters of support for fiber optic in Alcona and will collect them until 04/01/25. Recycle program on hold as the state doesn't have any funding. Bills incurred thus far are not paid and they are being told they can seek reimbursement for them but future expenses are on hold.
- XIX. Bills to be Paid: A Sobeck made a **motion** to approve the bills to be paid as presented. T Tice seconded. All in favor. **Motion Passed.**
- XX. Board Comments: Cyndi replies to Phyllis concern in public comment that the language for board of review can be asked to assessor. The millage difference is because what was voted on in 11/2024 goes into effect in 2025 so it wouldn't match this 2024 tax bill, also the Headly rollback will play a part in it.
- XXI. Adjourn: A Sobeck made Motion to adjourn at 7:50 pm. Seconded by H Rondeau. All in favor Motion passed

Recorded by: Cindy K. Smith

Approved by the Board of Trustees on: 03/11/2025