Town of Calumet Town Board Meeting April 2, 2025

Chairman Don Breth called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Roll call: Chairman Don Breth, Supervisors Angie Mattes and Ben Burlingham present.

Chairman Breth confirmed that the meeting was noticed on the website, at the Town Hall.

Motion by Mattes, seconded by Burlingham, to adjourn to meet in closed session to consider employment, promotion, compensation, conduct an annual review of Town of Calumet Clerk Andrea Rieder and to interview Luke Sobiech as an applicant to work at the Town of Calumet Recycle Center position. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Mattes, seconded by Burlingham, to reconvene to open session at 7:03 pm. All in favor, Motion carried.

Breth introduced Jody Roffers as the next Town of Calumet Treasurer.

Motion by Mattes, seconded by Burlingham, to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed with all in favor.

A building inspection report was presented, detailing permits issued, costs of projects, and compliance matters for the month of March.

Mattes reported no news for the Plan Commission but thanked the Commission members for their hard work over the last 2 years.

Dan Casper reported for the Town of Calumet Fire Dept that the siren had been fixed and reinstalled. It was confirmed that the siren would continue to sound at noon on Saturdays, as it had previously. The cost of the repair was mentioned to be \$1,241.

Breth indicated that the new Treasurer would be getting a new laptop with access to the share drive.

Breth addressed the issue of roadway gravel deposits in yards and right-of-way ditches. He mentioned that Brian Schussman, who was not present, had taken pictures of the problem in various locations, including County Q, County HH, and areas in Stockbridge and Brothertown. Goebel expressed concerns about the extensive gravel deposits and potential road damage from heavy equipment. She suggested that the Town Board should inspect the roads and consider reusing the gravel to save on costs. Breth acknowledged the problem and said they would try to address it, possibly by exploring ways to level the gravel as it's placed. A suggestion was made to put gravel down in the spring to allow time for it to pack before winter. Breth agreed this was a good idea to explore.

Jeff Secord reported that everything was fine at the recycling center. He mentioned that the property was looking particularly green due to a burn conducted in the fall.

Breth reported on grant paperwork for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. He mentioned plans for an agricultural runoff treatment system capable of handling up to 2 million gallons of runoff. The project's surveying work was set to begin in spring. He also discussed potential funding opportunities through Senator Tammy Baldwin's office for future agricultural treatment systems and maintenance. An application was due on April 7th, after which it would be reviewed and potentially included in congressional appropriations.

Motion by Mattes, seconded by Burlingham, motion to reappoint Andrea Rieder as the Town of Calumet Clerk for 3 years with a 5% increase, effective immediately. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Mattes, seconded by Breth, to hire Luke Sobiech to the Town of Calumet Recycle Center with a starting wage of \$17.03/hour. All in favor. Motion carried.

Breth recognized the winners of the Spring 2025 election of Burlingham and Tom Bartel as Town Supervisors and Mike Muellenbach as Town Constable. He also recognized departing Supervisor Angie Mattes for her two years of service and Allen Feldner for his 14 years of service for their dedication and hard work.

Breth announced the following upcoming meetings:

- Annual Meeting: Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at Town Hall
- Regular Town Board Meeting: May 7th

Motion by Mattes, seconded by Burlingham, to adjourn the meeting at 7:25pm. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Rieder Town of Calumet Clerk