

Laird Township Board
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, April 9, 2025

Supervisor Spencer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Present were Supervisor Patricia Spencer, Treasurer Nicole Krajnak, Trustee John Juntunen, Trustee Sarah Hiltunen, and Clerk Robin Henry.

The March 12, 2025 meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Supervisor Spencer, supported by Treasurer Krajnak, to accept the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting. With all in favor, motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. A motion was made by Trustee Juntunen and supported by Clerk Henry to accept the Treasurer's Report and authorize payment of the bills. With all in favor, motion carried.

Petitions and Communications: A flyer from UPPCO was received that lists the addresses of all Houghton County municipalities.

Fire Department Report: There were no callouts.

Constable Report: The monthly liquor license inspection for the Church in the Valley was done. Constable Peterson was also called out to Heikkila Road when more than 40 goats were off of their own property and near the vehicle of a neighbor. They are now fenced in.

Transfer Station Report: No report was given.

Recreation Committee Report:

- Easter Egg Hunt is this Saturday, April 12, 2025, with a bonfire to follow. The fire hall restrooms will be used. Supervisor Spencer will make sure they are open for the event.
- New bases, volleyball net and balls have arrived for the Recreation Area.

Ambulance Committee Report:

- R. McGahan provided an update. One township still refuses to sign the contract.
- There will be a special Bay Ambulance meeting tomorrow, April 10, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Houghton County Jail Presentation: Dr. Faith Morrison from The Copper Country League of Women Voters, County Commissioner Roy Britz and Sheriff Josh Saaranen gave a presentation and answered questions on the new jail project for Houghton County.

Old Business:

- Bids are still coming in for the ice rink repairs for the Copper Shores Grant. Supervisor Spencer is meeting with members of the Recreation Committee on Friday, April 11th to go over bids and prepare reports for submission.

New Business:

- Dust Control pricing will be available from the Houghton County Road Commission within the next two weeks.
- Mowing bids were evaluated.
 - A motion was made by Clerk Henry, supported by Trustee Hiltunen to award the Township Hall and Museum to Terry Spencer. Supervisor Spencer abstained, but with all others in favor, motion carried.

- A motion was made by Clerk Henry, supported by Treasurer Krajnak to award the Nisula Cemetery, Alston Cemetery, and Ballfield/Recreation Area to Northern Edge Land Management. With all in favor, motion carried.
- The Township Hall can be used by AA members for weekly meetings. The day and time of meetings has not been determined yet.

A motion was made by Trustee Hiltunen and seconded by Treasurer Krajnak to adjourn the meeting. With all in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Robin A. Henry, Laird Township Clerk