

BREITUNG TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 27, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Olson at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call; Present: Trustees; Wales, Gaudette, Erickson & Dixon, Treasurer Cahee and Supervisor Olson.

Absent: Clerk Coron, excused

Also Present: Superintendent Perry Franzoi and Attorney Mike Hahner.

Those in attendance gave pledge to the Flag.

No Public Comment

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Trustee Gaudette to approve the May 12, 2008 regular board meeting minutes. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Gaudette, second by Trustee Wales to approve the May 27, 2008 agenda. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Correspondence:

The letter from Mr. Fred Stafford requesting the township to set up their website with the capability of paying water bills through EFT was addressed. Superintendent Franzoi will contact Mr. Stafford to let him know that we are continuing to work on it.

The board also addressed Mr. Stafford's inquiry regarding the condition of the sidewalks in the township. A past board motion stated that if a homeowner wanted to take the sidewalk out they could do that at their expense or they could have a new sidewalk poured at their expense. The township does not have plans to replace or improve the sidewalks.

Motion by Trustee Gaudette, second by Trustee Dixon to authorize Matt Lalonde and Robin Hamm to conduct township surveys with 60 hours of comp time (40 regular hours) for Robin and 60 hours overtime (40 regular hours) for Matt. Any comp time earned from this project to be used by December 31, 2008. If not used by the end of 2008, comp hours will be paid out as over-time pay according to the Fair Labor Standards Act. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Treasurer Cahee to establish refuse collection fund, No. 226, having it in operation effective June 30, 2008. Also to approve RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH RUBBISH COLLECTON FUND NO. 52708. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Trustees: Erickson, Dixon & Wales, Supervisor Olson and Treasurer Cahee. **Nay:** Trustee Gaudette. **Motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Gaudette, second by Trustee Wales approve \$250 to the Sons of American Legion toward their annual 4th of July fireworks. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Trustee Erickson to approve Guy Forstrom to take the Model A Fire Truck to the "Fun Run" car show in Escanaba on May 31st with the use of the township truck and trailer. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Trustee Erickson to approve Supervisor Olson and Clerk Coron to sign the City of Iron Mountain's Fire Safety House Agreement for the use of the fire house at the Township's 2nd annual community picnic on June 21, 2008. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Gaudette, second by Trustee Wales to receive and place on file Clerk Coron's April 2008 Revenue/Expenditure Report. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Trustee Erickson to receive and place on file Treasurer Cahee's April 2008 Trial Balance. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Fire Report:

-Joe Brin has moved out of the area, therefore he has resigned from the fire department. The township board and Chief Iverson all signed an appreciation certificate recognizing his 15 years served on the department.

-Igor Kruhak was interviewed by both Chief Iverson and Station Chief Young. They both recommend him as a probationary fire fighter. Approval of Mr. Kruhak will be reconsidered at the next meeting once his application is filled out completely as an important question was left unanswered.

-8 probationary firefighters took the FFI class and are now waiting for the results from the State.

Superintendent Report:

-USDA Grant Application: Randy Scott from Wilcox Professionals received a call from Duane Ried stating that our application is getting moved up. Perry will be meeting with Duane on Thursday.

-Township/City Dinner Meeting: On Tuesday, May 13th, Supervisor Olson and Superintendent Franzoi met with Mayor VanLaanen and the Iron Mountain City Manager John Marquart at Fontana's Supper Club. The purpose of the meeting was to develop a better relationship between the City and the Township and to also identify areas that both units could work cooperatively on.

-North Breitung Fire Hall: UP Engineering is nearing completion of the site plan and building design for the fire hall. They will be sending the design to Access Management Committee for the improved driveway on the north side of the property. When those plans are complete, they will be presented to the board. At that point the board will have to decide whether to move forward with construction or delay.

-Zoning Ordinance Revision: The Planning Commission met on May 21st and completed a revision to the Zoning Map removing the Lake Shore and River District from the classifications in the township. It also created a new RR-2 district which has a minimum lot size of 2.5 acres. The hearing should start in July.

-Moyle/Forward Financial/Goodwill: The estimated cost of the project by Wilcox was approximately \$275,000. Moyle's estimated cost is not to exceed \$220,000. We still do not have an answer on the easement issue.

Board Discretionary Time:

-It was nice to see all of the letters/notices of ordinance violation being sent out.

-Trustee Dixon commented on the beautiful job the employees did on preparing the cemetery for Memorial Day.

-Trustee Gaudette questioned if anyone has responded yet to the violation letter that was sent to the owner of the old Pucci store on the corner of Breen and Elizabeth?

-Treasurer Cahee continues to receive gifts and cash donations for our community picnic.

-Supervisor Olson wished Jeff Iverson a happy birthday coming up on Wednesday!

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Supervisor Olson to recess the regular board meeting and to go into an executive session to discuss FOIA request. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

The meeting was recessed at 8:25 p.m.

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The regular board meeting was entered back into at 9:46 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Trustee Gaudette to inform Doug Johnson that with regard to his FOIA request, the board has granted his appeal in part and denied his appeal in part. The appeal is granted and the FOIA coordinator is authorized pursuant to MCL 15.243(13)(M) to disclose the materials that are purely factual in nature that are contained in Perry Franzoi's April 29th, 2008 confidential memorandum to Supervisor Olson and to township board members. The request is denied in all other respects. **Vote: Ayes:** Trustees: Gaudette, Erickson & Wales, Supervisor Olson and Treasurer Cahee. **Nay:** Trustee Dixon.
Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Erickson, second by Trustee Wales to adjourn the meeting.
Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

The meeting was declared adjourned by Supervisor Olson at 9:57 p.m.

Notes Taken by Treasurer Cahee &
minutes typed by Clerk Coron,

Reviewed & Approved by,

Anne Cahee
Breitung Township Treasurer

Denny Olson
Breitung Township Supervisor