

**BREITUNG TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JULY 24, 2017**

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

Roll Call: Present: Trustees Soderbloom, Garrett, Dixon, Wales, Clerk Neuens, Treasurer Taylor and Supervisor Olson.

Also Present: Superintendent John Gaudette.

Invocation given by Trustee Soderbloom.

Pledge was recited by all.

Public Comment: No comments.

Approval of Agenda: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to approve the July 24, 2017 Agenda with the addition of the approval of the July 6, 2017 Special Board Meeting Minutes and the July 6, 2017 Closed Session Minutes to 5b. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes: **Motion** by Trustee Soderbloom, **second** by Trustee Garrett to approve the July 6, 2017 Special Meeting Minutes, July 6, 2017 Closed Session Minutes and the July 10, 2017 Regular Board Meeting minutes as presented. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Principles of Governance: Actively pursue education and knowledge and embrace best practices.

Old Business: Open Bids for Wildland Gear: **Motion** by Clerk Neuens, **second** by Trustee Wales to receive and open the three bids received for 35 sets of Wildland Shirts and Pants.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

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| 1) Pomasl Fire Equipment | \$9,048.40 |
| 2) Five Alarm Fire | \$8,631.00 |
| 3) Fastenal | \$20,956.47 |

Motion by Supervisor Olson, **second** by Trustee Garrett to refer the three bids, for the 35 sets of Wildland Shirts and Pants, to the Breitung Township Fire Department Chief/Officers and the Township Superintendent, authorizing them to also accept the bid that is most advantageous to the township.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

New Business:

Recreation Plan Update: **Motion** by Trustee Dixon, **second** by Trustee Wales to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation and approve the contract from CUPPAD in the amount of \$2,000 for our Recreation Plan update. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Leave of Absence Request: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Treasurer Taylor to grant an approximate 8 week Leave of Absence for Adrienne Savord, the Utility Clerk/Administrative Assistant, which will tentatively begin the week of August 14, 2017, with her health insurance benefit continuing. If determined by the Township Superintendent/office staff, part-time/flexible work will be available during that time. Sick time will not accrue and Holiday pay will not apply. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

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Change Location of Future Board Meeting: Past discussion has been to hold an occasional regular board meeting of the Board of Trustee at the North Breitung Fire Station to possibly encourage attendance of North Breitung residents.

Motion by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Garrett to change the September 11, 2017 Regular Board Meeting location to the North Breitung Fire Hall. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Water Operator Education and Training: **Motion** by Treasurer Taylor, **second** by Trustee Garrett to approve the following conferences with registration, meals and mileage or use of a township vehicle:

- 1) Guy Forstrom - September 26-27, 2017 40th Annual Upper Peninsula Water Distribution Operator's Seminar at the Island Resort and Casino, Bark River, MI. \$110.
- 2) Jay Davis – November 1, 2017 Written Certification Examinations at Northern Michigan University, Marquette, MI. \$140.
- 3) Jay Davis – September 18-19, 2017 DEQ Operation and Certification programs/exam preparation review classes at Northern Michigan University, Marquette, MI. \$110.
- 4) Chris Wilcox – September 20, 2017 Advanced Cross Connection Seminar at Bay College in Escanaba, MI. \$115.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

Reports:

Clerk's Financial Report: **Motion** by Treasurer Taylor, **second** by Trustee Wales to receive and place on file Clerk Neuens' Revenue/Expenditure Report and Balance Sheet ending 06/30/17.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Soderbloom, **second** by Treasurer Taylor to approve Clerk Neuens' Post Transaction Report dated July 8, 2017 to July 21, 2017. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Treasurer's Financial Report: **Motion** by Clerk Neuens, **second** by Trustee Garrett to receive and place on file Treasurer Taylor's Cash Summary by Bank for the month ending 06/30/17.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

Fire Report - Highlights: June and July's incidents and meetings. The 123rd Annual Upper Peninsula Volunteer Firefighters Tournament is this upcoming weekend in Florence, WI. Fire Chief Iverson would like to bring a couple Breitung Township fire trucks to be driven in the parade.

Motion by Trustee Soderbloom, **second** by Trustee Wales to approve Breitung Township fire trucks to be used in the Fire Fighters Tournament parade in Florence, WI the weekend of July 28th, 29th & 30th.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

Superintendent Report - Highlights: Roads, Community, Office, and Water & Sewer.

Board Discretionary Time: At the last DCTA meeting held in Sagola Township, Sheriff Rutter spoke regarding the drug problem in Dickinson County; Breitung Township will be hosting a special DCTA meeting on Monday, October 16th where Dickinson County Prosecuting Attorney Lisa Richards will be presenting a speaker that will talk about drug issues; Happy birthday to Steve Mulka on August 8th!

Payment of Bills: **Motion** by Trustee Dixon, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to approve the bill list in the amount of \$6,836.58. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

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Public Comment: Start Time: 7:55 p.m. End Time: 7:58 p.m.

Rita Luri, Quinnesec – There seems to be so much to consider regarding the marijuana laws; really likes the idea of having an occasional meeting at the North Breitung Fire Hall; is looking forward to sitting in on the DCTA meeting in October.

Adjournment: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Clerk Neuens to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

The meeting was declared adjourned by Supervisor Olson at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Reviewed and Approved by,

Samantha Neuens
Breitung Township Clerk

Denny Olson
Breitung Township Supervisor