BREITUNG TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR BOARD MEETING - TELEPHONIC JUNE 8, 2020

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

Roll Call: Present: Trustees Wales, Rochon, Supervisor Olson, Clerk Neuens, Trustee Soderbloom, Treasurer Taylor and Trustee Johnson.

Also Present: Superintendent Steve Mulka, Jim Anderson from The Daily News, Deputy/Code Enforcement Officer Chris Kuenzer and Fire Fighter Joe Hruska.

Invocation given by: Trustee Soderbloom.

Pledge was led by Trustee Wales.

Public Comment: No comments.

<u>Approval of Agenda</u>: **Motion** by Trustee Johnson, **second** by Trustee Wales to approve the June 8, 2020 Agenda as presented. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Trustee Johnson, Treasurer Taylor, Trustee Wales, Supervisor Olson, Trustees Rochon, Soderbloom and Clerk Neuens. **Motion carried**.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to approve the May 26, 2020 [Telephonic] Regular Board Meeting as presented. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Trustee Rochon, Supervisor Olson, Treasurer Taylor, Clerk Neuens, Trustees Soderbloom, Johnson and Wales. **Motion carried.**

<u>Old Business</u>: <u>COVID-19 Updates & Discussion</u>: <u>Parks</u>: **Motion** by Trustee Johnson, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to proceed with opening the Township parks, effective June 10th, with signs posted indicating the guidelines of Governor Whitmer's most recent executive order and reminding public that the playground equipment, picnic tables and benches are not sanitized or cleaned. Residents are also reminded to practice safety protocols, including remaining 6 feet apart from one another. A sign should also be placed on the Porta Toilets stating that they are to be used at your own risk, seeing as they are not sanitized often. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Supervisor Olson, Trustee Wales, Treasurer Taylor, Trustee Rochon, Clerk Neuens, Trustees Soderbloom and Johnson. **Motion carried**.

<u>Township Offices</u>: Other municipal offices are allowing residents to come in to pay bills and to make one-on-one appointments. The Township offices will remain closed until sneeze shields and physical barriers are in place.

<u>Township Board Meetings</u>: **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **second** by Supervisor Olson to allow in-person Township meetings [Board of Trustees, Planning Commission, ZBA, Water/Sewer Board]. Any Official/Member not comfortable meeting in person may attend the meeting telephonically. **Roll Call Vote**: **Ayes**: Trustee Rochon, Supervisor Olson, Clerk Neuens, Trustees Johnson and Wales. **Nays**: Treasurer Taylor and Trustee Soderbloom. **Motion carried**.

<u>New Business</u>: <u>MTA Dues Approval</u>: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Clerk Neuens to approve the July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 Michigan Townships Association dues and Legal Defense Contribution, totaling \$5,070.73. **Roll Call Vote**: **Ayes**: Trustee Wales, Rochon, Supervisor Olson, Clerk Neuens, Treasurer Taylor, Trustees Johnson and Soderbloom. **Motion carried**.

<u>Sons of American Legion Contribution Request</u>: **Motion** by Trustee Soderbloom, **second** by Clerk Neuens to approve a contribution toward the 2020 Fireworks in the amount of \$500. Check to be made out to SAL Fireworks Fund – 2020. **Roll Call Vote**: **Ayes**: Trustees Johnson, Treasurer Taylor, Trustee Wales, Supervisor Olson, Trustees Rochon, Soderbloom and Clerk Neuens. **Motion carried**.

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<u>Loyal to Local Participation Request</u>: **Motion** by Trustee Johnson, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to support the Dickinson Area Economic Development Alliance by participating in the Loyal to Local program for the period of 07/01/20-06/30/21 in the amount of \$250. **Roll Call Vote**: **Ayes**: Trustee Soderbloom, Clerk Neuens, Trustees Rochon, Johnson, Wales, Treasurer Taylor, and Supervisor Olson. **Motion carried**.

<u>Reports</u>: <u>Clerk's Financial Report</u>: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to approve Clerk Neuens' Post Transaction Report dated May 21, 2020 to June 5, 2020. **Vote: Ayes:** Supervisor Olson, Trustee Wales, Treasurer Taylor, Trustee Rochon, Clerk Neuens, Supervisor Olson and Trustee Johnson. **Motion carried**.

<u>Treasurer's Financial Report</u>: **Motion** by Supervisor Olson, **second** by Trustee Johnson to receive and place on file Treasurer Taylor's Cash Summary by Bank for 04/01/2020 to 04/30/2020. **Ayes:** Trustee Johnson, Treasurer Taylor, Trustee Wales, Supervisor Olson, Trustees Rochon, Soderblom and Clerk Neuens. **Motion Carried**.

Treasurer Taylor mentioned that she will be preparing and printing the summer tax bills very soon and will be including a note of all the ways tax bills can be paid for and dropped off.

<u>Superintendent Report - Highlights</u>: Community, Planning, Assessing & Personnel. [Go to www.breitungtwp.org to read full report]

Board Discretionary Time: Are Absent Voters able to come into the Clerk's office to apply and vote their AV ballot?

When will the fire department be able to resume face to face training? **Motion** by Trustee Soderbloom, **second** by Trustee Johnson to allow fire fighters to resume in-person training, at the Fire Chief's discretion, with 6' distancing and masks. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes**: Trustee Soderbloom, Clerk Neuens, Trustees Rochon, Johnson, Wales, Treasurer Taylor, and Supervisor Olson. **Motion carried**.

<u>Payment of Bills</u>: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to approve the bill list in the amount of 33,298.43. **Ayes:** Trustee Rochon, Supervisor Olson, Treasurer Taylor, Clerk Neuens, Trustees Soderbloom, Johnson and Wales. **Motion carried.**

Public Comment: No comments.

<u>Adjournment</u>: **Motion** by Trustee Soderbloom, **second** by Trustee Johnson to adjourn the meeting. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Trustee Johnson, Treasurer Taylor, Trustee Wales, Supervisor Olson, Trustees Rochon, Soderbloom and Clerk Neuens. **Motion carried**.

The meeting was declared adjourned by Supervisor Olson at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by, Reviewed and Approved by,

Samantha Neuens Breitung Township Clerk Denny Olson Breitung Township Supervisor