

**BREITUNG TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 12, 2019**

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

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

Also Present: Superintendent Steve Mulka.

Invocation given by: Supervisor Olson.

Pledge was recited by all.

Public Comment: No comments.

Approval of Agenda: **Motion** by Trustee Johnson, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to approve the August 12, 2019 Agenda with the addition of 6a/Final Payment to Morin Excavating for Maple Street Project and 7j/Dickinson County Township Association Luncheon. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Rochon to approve the July 22, 2019 Regular Board Meeting and the July 29, 2019 Special Board Meeting minutes as presented.
Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

Old Business: Final Payment to Morin Excavating for Maple Street Project: **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to pay the final bill for the Maple Street project to Morin Excavating in the amount of \$7,760.00. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

New Business: Industrial Park Purchase Proposal: A possible purchaser is looking into building an unmanned fueling station.

Great Northern Co-op is offering \$100,000 for 5 acres +/- in the Township's Industrial Park; their plans are to build an unmanned fueling station.

Gwenn Eastman is also interested in that same parcel of the Industrial Park. She has been putting together a business plan, site plan and trying to secure financing for the past three years. She plans to employ 14-16 people.

The Industrial Park Committee will meet soon to look further into these two proposals.

UPAA Fall School Request: **Motion** by Trustee Soderbloom, **second** by Trustee Johnson to approve Assessor Mike Gillett and Assistant Assessor Abbey Taylor to attend the UPAA 2019 Fall School being held in Harris, MI on August 27th and 28th, 2019 with registration fee, lodging, mileage and meals being covered by the township. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Supervisor Training Program Request: This training is designed to further educate supervisors and managers of the changes within the industry and how these changes will affect organizations.

Motion by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Rochon to approve Superintendent Mulka and DPW Superintendent Guy Forstrom to attend the Supervisor Training Program being held at the Pine Grove County Club on Tuesday, October 22, 2019 with the registration fee of \$50 being covered by the township.
Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

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U.P. Water Works Fall Institute Request: The 43rd Annual Upper Peninsula Water Works Fall Institute is being held September 24th and 25th at the Island Resort and Casino, Harris, MI.

Motion by Trustee Johnson, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to approve DPW Superintendent Guy Forstrom to attend the 43rd Annual Upper Peninsula Water Works Fall Institute being held September 24th and 25th at the Island Resort and Casino, Harris, MI with use of a township vehicle or mileage and registration fee being covered by the township. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Dickinson Area Chamber of Commerce Map Support Request: A map is being put together that will highlight attractions, up-to-date road locations and local economic statistics for Iron Mountain, Kingsford and surrounding communities. The Chamber is requesting support for this project in the form of an advertisement.

Motion by Trustee Soderbloom, **second** by Trustee Johnson to support the Dickinson County Chamber of Commerce by purchasing a ¼ panel advertisement, in the amount of \$295, for the Dickinson County map. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Lunch with Governor Gretchen Whitmer Request: The luncheon will be at the UP State Fair on August 15, 2019. The cost of \$20 per person which covers the lunch and admission into the fairgrounds.

Motion by Trustee Johnson, **second** by Trustee Wales to approve any board member and Superintendent Mulka to attend the lunch with Governor Gretchen Whitmer on August 15, 2019 at the U.P. State Fair with the \$20 ticket fee being covered by the township. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Ordinance Revision Discussion: Superintendent Mulka discussed the possible upcoming ordinance revisions so everyone is on the same page about the process.

Code Enforcement Officer Discussion: Discussion took place regarding the possible options the township has for Code Enforcement.

Motion by Trustee Soderbloom, **second** by Trustee Wales to contact Sheriff Rutter asking him to submit a proposal for a Township Deputy to perform code enforcement and general law enforcement. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Maple Street Paving Bids Discussion: The Road Commission will need to know by Tuesday, August 13th who the Township would like to award the bid to.

Motion by Trustee Johnson, **second** by Trustee Wales to recommend that the Road Commission award the Maple Street paving to Bacco in the amount of \$16,040.00. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Dickinson County Township Association Luncheon: Our Township will be hosting the DCTA meeting on Monday, August 19, 2019. The luncheon starts at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting to follow promptly at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Rochon provide a luncheon for the DCTA meeting being held at the Township on Monday, August 19, 2019. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Reports: Clerk's Financial Report: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Johnson to approve Clerk Neuens' Post Transaction Report for the date range of July 19, 2019 to August 9, 2019. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

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Fire Report - Highlights: June 5th through August 6th incidents, activities and other updates.
[Go to www.breitungtwp.org to read full report]

Superintendent Report - Highlights: Community, DPW, Planning & Zoning, Access Management, Code Enforcement, Ordinances, etc. [Go to www.breitungtwp.org to read full report]

Board Discretionary Time: National Night out was a success and the Breitung Township Fire Department represented the Township well! Congratulations to Abbey Taylor for passing her test to become a Michigan Certified Assessing Officer [MCAO] and Michigan Certified Personal Property Examiner! Superintendent Mulka will be discussing some code enforcement violations with the Township Attorney as they may end up in court.

Payment of Bills: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Rochon to approve the bill list in the amount of \$57,031.75. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

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

The meeting was declared adjourned by Supervisor Olson at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Reviewed and Approved by,

Samantha Neuens
Breitung Township Clerk

Denny Olson
Breitung Township Supervisor