

**BREITUNG TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 11, 2021**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Olson at 6:00 p.m.

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

Also Present: Superintendent Steve Mulka, DPW Superintendent Jay Davis, Fire Fighter Joe Hruska, Assistant Fire Chief Scott Marshall, Deputy Chris Kuenzer, and Brian from The Daily News.

Invocation given by: Trustee Peterson.

Pledge was led by: Trustee Taff.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Agenda: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Peterson to approve the January 11, 2021 Agenda with the addition of 8/c – Fire Department Grant for new SCBA’s. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Trustees Wales, Rochon, Supervisor Olson, Clerk Neuens, Treasurer Taylor, Trustees Peterson and Taff. **Motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes: **Motion** by Trustee Taff, **second** by Trustee Wales to approve the December 28, 2020 Regular Board Meeting as presented. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Supervisor Olson, Trustees Wales, Taff, Rochon, Clerk Neuens, Treasurer Taylor and Trustee Peterson. **Motion carried.**

Old Business: COVID-19 Updates & Discussion: Vaccines are being given. Our local health department, along with all health departments, are being overloaded with phone calls to the point that they are unable to keep up.

New Business: MTA Conferences Discussion: **Motion** by Treasurer Taylor, **second** by Supervisor Olson to approve the Board of Review members to attend the online Board of Review education that covers the new mandate and more, with registration fee and daily per diem paid. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Treasurer Taylor, Clerk Neuens, Trustees Rochon, Peterson, Wales, Taff and Supervisor Olson. **Motion carried.**

MTA is working on creating an online annual conference. Update to come.

Water Operator’s Virtual Conference: **Motion** by Trustee Peterson, **second** by Trustee Wales to approve Bill Bailey and Jose Rivera to attend the 2021 Virtual Operators Day Conference on February 2nd and 3rd for the cost of \$175 per person, totaling \$350. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Trustee Rochon, Supervisor Olson, Treasurer Taylor, Clerk Neuens, Trustees Taff, Peterson and Wales. **Motion carried.**

Fire Department Grant – SCBA’s: The Board would like more information brought back to the January 25th meeting regarding the SCBA’s. In the meantime, a **motion** was made by Trustee Wales and **supported** by Trustee Taff to allow Fire Officer Joe Hruska to apply for the SCBA grant. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Trustees Peterson, Taff, Wales, Supervisor Olson, Trustee Rochon, Treasurer Taylor and Clerk Neuens. **Motion carried.**

Fire Report - Highlights: Assistant Fire Chief Scott Marshall reported there will be upcoming training offered through the State of Michigan. Will put together and provide a schedule for reference.

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Superintendent Report - Highlights: Meetings attended, Permits, Personnel, Legislation, etc.
[Go to www.breitungtp.org to read full report]

Assessor's Report: Update on the assessing “catch-up” work, IMRD & Thomas Theater Group MTT cases, need to hire a part-time assessing clerk as soon as possible.

Code Enforcement Report: For the month of December 2020, the following was handled by the Breitung Township Officer: 3 accidents, 19 complaints, 5 code enforcement complaints and 1 arrest. Year End Report/Handled by the Breitung Township Officer: 24 accidents, 217 complaints, 59 code enforcement complaints and 16 arrests.

Department of Public Works Report: Update on ongoing and completed tasks.

Board Discretionary Time: Something needs to be put in the paper announcing Chief Iverson's retirement. The Board needs to make hiring an assessing assistant a priority. Happy belated birthday to Deputy Treasurer Abbey Taylor on December 19th, Trustee Aaron Rochon on December 20th, Deputy Chris Kuenzer on January 9th and DPW Chris Wilcox on January 10th!

Payment of Bills: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Peterson to approve the bill list in the amount of \$61,188.19. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Trustee Taff, Clerk Neuens, Trustees Rochon, Peterson, Wales, Treasurer Taylor, and Supervisor Olson. **Motion carried.**

Public Comment: None.

Adjournment: **Motion** by Trustee Peterson, **second** by Clerk Neuens to adjourn the meeting.
Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

The meeting was declared adjourned by Supervisor Olson at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Reviewed and Approved by,

Samantha Neuens
Breitung Township Clerk

Denny Olson
Breitung Township Supervisor