

**BREITUNG TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
JANUARY 08, 2018**

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

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

Also Present: Superintendent John Gaudette.

Invocation given by Superintendent Gaudette.

Pledge was recited by all.

**Public Comment:** Start time: 7:02 p.m. End time: 7:14 p.m.

- 1) Art Belding, W5460 Pine Drive, Norway, MI – spoke regarding his ownership of Parcel No. 2202-125-002-10 and the possibility of it coming up on foreclosure because of inaccurate records. Would appreciate the township’s help in getting this resolved.
- 2) Barbara & Jim Donavon, Woodland Drive – objects to the foreclosure of the above stated property. Would appreciate the township’s help in getting this resolved.

**Approval of Agenda:** **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to approve the January 8, 2018 Agenda as presented. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

**Approval of Minutes:** **Motion** by Trustee Soderbloom, **second** by Trustee Wales to approve the December 27, 2017 Regular Board Meeting minutes as presented. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

**Old Business: Committee Appointments:** **Motion** by Trustee Soderbloom, **second** by Trustee Johnson to approve the 2018 Committee/Board/Commission assignments with the suggested changes. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

**Planning Commission and ZBA Appointments:** **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to approve Supervisor Olson’s recommendations to reappoint Kirk Olson to the Zoning Board of Appeals with his new term expiring on 12/31/2020; to reappoint Paul Oliver to the Planning Commission with his new term expiring on 12/31/2020; to reappoint Aaron Rochon to the Planning Commission with his new term expiring on 12/31/2020. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

**MTA Annual Educational Conference:** Conference registration is now open. Housing opens on January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**New Business: DPW Employee Promotion:** DPW Superintendent Guy Forstrom is recommending that Chris Wilcox be elevated to DPW Level 2 classification as he has passed his S-3 Water Operators License, obtained his CDL Class B Driver’s License and has shown initiative in all aspects of his employment.

**Motion** by Treasurer Taylor, **second** by Trustee Wales to promote Chris Wilcox from DPW Level I to DPW Level II with the effective date of January 1, 2018. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

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Excavation/Trenching Safety Seminar: On Tuesday, January 23, 2018 the Michigan Rural Water Association (MRWA) will be hosting a full day seminar for Excavation/Trenching Safety and Qualified Competent Person Training in Marquette, Michigan.

**Motion** by Treasurer Taylor, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to approve Jay Davis and Chris Wilcox to attend the Excavation/Trenching Safety and Qualified Competent Person Training in Marquette, Michigan on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 with the use of a township vehicle, one meal and registration.

**Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Resolution in Support of the Northern Lights YMCA: The Northern Lights YMCA – Dickinson Center, located at the former Crystal Lake Community Center for the past 7 years, is beginning their 2018 Capital Campaign. This effort will help to fund needed improvements, renovations and expansion at the center.

**Motion** by Trustee Soderbloom, **second** by Trustee Johnson to approve Resolution No. 01082018, a RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE NORTHERN LIGHTS YMCA. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Trustees Wales, Dixon, Johnson, Soderbloom, Clerk Neuens, Treasurer Taylor and Supervisor Olson.

**Motion carried.**

East Kingsford Water Systems RFP: **Motion** by Trustee Dixon, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to approve a RFP (Request for Proposal) for engineering design and MDEQ permits for the Hoadley Street meter pit and water main project with a due date of February 12, 2018 by 4:00 p.m. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Reports: Clerk's Financial Report: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Johnson to approve Clerk Neuens' Post Transaction Report dated December 21, 2017 to January 4, 2018.

**Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Superintendent Report - Highlights: Zoning, Roads, Water/Sewer, DPW, and Community.

[Go to [www.breitungtp.org](http://www.breitungtp.org) to read full report]

Board Discretionary Time: Happy Birthday to Chris Wilcox on January 10<sup>th</sup>! Happy Birthday to Trustee Dixon on January 12<sup>th</sup>!

Payment of Bills: **Motion** by Trustee Soderbloom, **second** by Treasurer Taylor to approve the bill list in the amount of \$39,522.96. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Public Comment: No comments.

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 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Reviewed and Approved by,

Samantha Neuens  
Breitung Township Clerk

Denny Olson  
Breitung Township Supervisor