

**BREITUNG TOWNSHIP BOARD  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
JOINT MEETING WITH THE WATER/SEWER BOARD  
MAY 4, 2017**

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

**Roll Call: Present:** Supervisor Olson, Treasurer Taylor, Trustees Soderbloom and Wales.

**Absent:** Trustees Garrett, Dixon and Clerk Neuens – all excused.

Also Present: Water Board Members Don Okler, Jesse Land, Doug Powell, DPW Superintendent Guy Forstrom and Superintendent John Gaudette.

Pledge was recited by all.

Public Comment: No comments.

Approval of Agenda: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to approve the May 4, 2017 Special Meeting agenda as presented. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Michigan Municipal Treasurers Association Conference: **Motion** by Supervisor Olson, **second** by Trustee Wales to approve Treasurer Taylor to attend the Advanced Institute for Treasurers May 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> in Traverse City with the conference registration fee of \$325, mileage, meals, bridge tolls and three nights lodging. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

McKinley Street Water Main Project: On January 9, 2017 the Township Board of Trustees approved the Water & Sewer Board's request to add approximately 250 feet of 8" water main on McKinley Street in East Kingsford, between Ford and Carollo Streets. The cost is not to exceed \$20,000 and to be paid from the EK Operating fund.

Our DPW Crew will perform the labor on this project, contracting the excavation portion. Some of the pipe and other hardware we already have in stock.

The project is expected to start later this summer. The actual pipe laying will only take a couple of days.

Water System General Plan: We have the summary documents from Coleman Engineering and the Water System General Plan they have prepared. This plan will bring us into compliance with MDEQ regulations and will be forwarded to them for their review. MDEQ will respond with any recommendations. The report did not find anything unexpected or identify any glaring deficiencies.

Redundant water main feeds for both systems should be discussed and prioritized with a view toward making a request for engineered plans for improvements. Additional access to water sources is the main concern, whether that is additional wells or connection points to the cities.

Despite recent work, both systems still have undersized water mains and dead end loops. Most of these concerns have been engineered and permitted and are being addressed as funding presents itself.

2016 saw almost \$350,000 invested into closing loops and upgrading small water mains in the East Kingsford system. Almost \$150,000 was spent in 2015 on piping and pump improvements in the Quinnesec system.

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Quinnesec Water System Financial Status: There may be a need in the near future to set a water rate increase for Quinnesec.

Adjournment: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to adjourn the special meeting.

**Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

The meeting was declared adjourned by Supervisor Olson at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Reviewed and Approved by,

Samantha Neuens  
Breitung Township Clerk

Denny Olson  
Breitung Township Supervisor