

**BREITUNG TOWNSHIP BOARD - SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
2021 BUDGET WORKSHOP  
NOVEMBER 12, 2020**

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

**Roll Call: Present:** Trustees Rochon-in person, Wales-in person, Johnson-in person, Soderbloom-via telephone, Treasurer Taylor-via telephone, and Supervisor Olson-in person.

**Absent:** Clerk Neuens, excused.

Also present: Superintendent Mulka-via telephone.

Pledge was recited by all.

Public Comment: No comments.

2021 Budget Discussion:

There was much discussion on each of the topics below:

Health Insurance: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Rochon to increase the Employee BC/BS Premium Cost Share to 12.5% for 2021. **Vote: Unanimous, Motion carried.**

Employee Wellness Program: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Rochon to increase the Dental and Vision portions of the 2021 Wellness Program to \$500 each; leaving the Physical portion at \$250.

**Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Superintendent Mulka proposed providing dental and vision coverage for Township employees. Supervisor Olson asked that more information be available for review for the 2022 budget.

MERS-Defined Contribution Plan: **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **second** by Trustee Wales to increase each pension category by \$100 for 2021. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

7:00 p.m. Recessed the Special Meeting so the Planning Commission could use the conference call equipment for their brief meeting.

7:10 p.m. Returned to Special Meeting.

Wage and Salary Summary for Appointed and Elected Officials for 2021: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Rochon to increase each of the following for 2021.:

- Trustees to \$50 per Committee meeting
- Daily per diem allowance when travel is required, to \$150
- Assistant Chief to \$200
- Board of Review Members to \$125
- Planning Commissioners to \$50
- Zoning Board of Appeals to \$50
- Water & Sewer Board to \$50
- Board of Review Secretaries to \$13 hourly
- Ice Rink Caretakers to \$13 hourly
- Summer Help to \$11 – \$13 hourly
- FFI & FFII completion of training and passing of exam, to \$450.

**Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

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Wage and Salary Increases: **Motion** by Trustee Johnson, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to increase the Clerk, Treasurer, Clerical Employees, DPW Employees, Custodian, and Township Superintendent's salaries by 3% for 2021 [This does not include the DPW Superintendent, Assessor or Trustees]. **Vote: Ayes:** Supervisor Olson, Treasurer Taylor, Trustees Soderbloom, Johnson and Rochon. **Nay:** Trustee Wales. **Motion carried.**

Reconsideration of Treasurer Taylor's 2021 Salary: **Motion** by Supervisor Olson, **second** by Trustee Soderbloom to increase Treasurer Taylor's 2021 salary by 4% rather than 3%. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

DPW Superintendent Salary: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Supervisor Olson to increase DPW Superintendent Davis' salary by 3% for 2021. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

DPW Employee Wage Category Promotion: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Rochon to promote DPW Employee Chris Wilcox to DPW Wage Level III, effective January 1, 2021. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Board discretionary time: Both Trustees Johnson and Soderbloom expressed their appreciation to the board and residents for the trust placed in them to serve on the board; they both expressed that they have confidence in the two new board members and wish them well. It would be nice to see both continue to participate in one of the Township's sub-boards in the future. Abbey, Carol, and Mike were thanked for their efforts put in to complete the 20% assessing re-checks; with a special thank you to Abbey for working beyond her Assistant Assessor resignation date to continue helping.

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

Hand notes were taken by Treasurer Taylor in Clerk Neuens' absence.

The meeting was declared adjourned by Supervisor Olson at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Reviewed and Approved by,

Samantha Neuens  
Breitung Township Clerk

Denny Olson  
Breitung Township Supervisor