## BREITUNG TOWNSHIP BOARD SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – ORDINANCE CHANGES/AMENDMENTS SEPTEMBER 23, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Olson at 5:30 p.m.

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

Absent: Trustee Rochon, excused.

Also present: Superintendent Mulka

Pledge was recited by all.

**Public Comment**: No comments.

<u>Discussion on possible Ordinance Changes/Amendments</u>: Our current ordinances states:

JUNK MOTOR VEHICLES. Any vehicle which is not licensed and insured for use upon the highways of the state for a period in excess of 60 days, and shall also include, whether licensed and insured or not, any motor vehicle which is inoperative for any reason for a period in excess of 60 days, provided that there is excepted from this definition, unlicensed but operative vehicles which are kept as the stock in trade of a regularly licensed and established new or used automobile dealer or other motorized vehicle; provided, further, that the time limit these vehicles may remain upon the premises of a motor vehicle repair garage shall be a period of 120 days rather than 60 days, with extension of additional 30-day periods upon presentation to the enforcing officer of written proof the offending vehicle is involved in insurance claims litigation or a similar matter and additional time is required for settlement before a vehicle can be repaired and moved.

The 60 day provision makes it nearly impossible to bring chronic, habitual offenders into compliance.

After discussion a **motion** was made by Trustee Soderbloom and **supported** by Trustee Wales to amend township ordinance, Chapter 93: Health and Sanitation, that when cited for the first time, 14 days will be given to remove unlicensed junk vehicles from the premise; If the resident has to be issued a second citation within one year of the first citation, they will be given 7 days to remove unlicensed junk vehicles from premises; if a third violation is issued within one year of the first citation they will be given 48 hours to remove unlicensed junk vehicles from premises. If unlicensed junk vehicles remain after the third citation the Township will have the vehicle towed away and the towing bill will be sent to the resident. If the towing bill is not paid, it will be placed onto the property tax bill as a lien. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried**.

Clerk Neuens brought up the fact that over the past couple of years more and more chicken coups are popping up in the platted areas of the township. She handed out sample ordinances from other communities showing what the restrictions are. Some of the things covered are the maximum amount of chickens, no roosters, permit needed, no free roaming, etc. This may be something the Township should look into adopting in the near future.

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

The meeting was declared adjourned by Supervisor Olson at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by, Reviewed and Approved by,

Samantha Neuens Breitung Township Clerk Denny Olson Breitung Township Supervisor