

**Charter Township of Breitung**  
**Board of Trustees**  
Regular Meeting  
Monday, January 9, 2023

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

**Roll Call:** **Present:** Trustee Wales, Trustee Rochon, Supervisor Olson, Clerk Larson, Trustee Peterson.  
**Absent:** Treasurer Taylor, Trustee Taff, both excused.

Also Present: Superintendent Mulka, DPW Superintendent Davis, Deputy Kuenzer, Fire Chief Rose, Assistant Chief Lindow.

Invocation given by Supervisor Olson.

Pledge recited by all.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Approvals:**

**Approval of Agenda:** **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **seconded** by Trustee Peterson to approve the January 9, 2023 Agenda as presented with the addition of 8c: Zoning Board of Appeals and Board of Review alternate member recommendations and 8d: NMPSA Grant Writing Training. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

**Approval of Minutes:** **Motion** by Trustee Peterson, **seconded** by Trustee Rochon to approve the December 27, 2022 Regular Board Meeting minutes as presented. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

**Old Business:**

**Refuse Collection Sealed Bid opening:** **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **seconded** by Trustee Peterson to accept and open the sealed bids received for Refuse Collection. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

**GFL Environmental**

Fuel \$4 per gallon

Monthly Service fee for 65 and 95 gallon automated containers, \$12 per stop.

95 gallon carts leased and charged to the Township.

Additional containers \$4.50.

Biweekly Recycling pickup \$7.10 per stop.

Monthly Recycling pickup \$4.30 per stop.

Automated trash and recycling collection pricing would go into effect when new containers arrive, estimated in the second quarter of 2023.

**Waste Management**

Fuel \$5 per gallon, 1% increase for each \$0.25 increase over \$5, if diesel fuel is below the \$5 per gallon, the fuel surcharge will be zero.

Monthly Service fee for 95 gallon automated loaders \$12.45 per stop.

Additional containers \$6.00.

Recycling pricing available if considered in the future.

**Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **seconded** by Trustee Peterson to table the discussion of the proposed bids until the Special Meeting scheduled for Monday, January 16, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

**Old Business continued:**

Annual Audit Sealed Bid opening: **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **seconded** by Trustee Peterson to accept and open the sealed bid received for the Township's Annual Audit. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Gabridge & Company, PLC

A three-year contract which includes the following pricing:

\$18,340 for 2022, \$19,000 for 2023, \$19,600 for 2024.

If a remote audit is performed the amount would be decreased by \$2,000 for that year.

**Motion** by Trustee Peterson, **seconded** by Trustee Rochon to table the discussion of the proposed bid to allow Superintendent Mulka to contact Gabridge & Company to propose a one-year contract to perform the 2022 Annual Audit and inform the Board of the outcome at the Special Meeting scheduled for Monday, January 16, 2023 at 6 p.m. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Skid Steer and Mini Excavator Sealed Bid opening: **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **seconded** by Trustee Peterson to accept and open the sealed bids received for the Skid Steer and Mini Excavator. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Skid Steer

Midway Rentals, Kingsford - \$103,966.73

Miller-Bradford & Risberg, Negaunee - \$107,025.00

Fabick CAT, Marquette - \$98,166.82

McCoy Construction & Forestry, Escanaba - \$99,484.00

Mini Excavator

Midway Rentals, Kingsford - \$80,868.22

Miller-Bradford & Risberg, Negaunee - \$89,080.00

Fabick CAT, Marquette - \$101,000.00

McCoy Construction & Forestry, Escanaba - \$89,800.00

**Motion** by Trustee Peterson, **seconded** by Trustee Rochon to allow Township Superintendent Mulka and DPW Superintendent Davis to review and compare all the bid specifications and make a recommendation to the Board at the Special Meeting scheduled for Monday, January 16, 2023 at 6 p.m. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Annual Meeting Schedule Resolution correction: **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **seconded** by Supervisor Olson to amend Resolution 12122022 to change the posted date for the Water & Sewer Board meeting from Friday February 3, 2023 to Thursday February 2, 2023. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Trustee Wales, Trustee Rochon, Supervisor Olson, Clerk Larson, Trustee Peterson. **Motion carried.**

Update and direction for Ice Rink Cameras: Expansion of the current security camera system was discussed at length. The Board would like the Security Committee to meet with Precision Technologies and Teck Solutions to propose a plan for the expansion to the ice rinks, pavilion, and ball parks.

**New Business:**

Kites at Lake Antoine Support Request: **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **seconded** by \_\_\_\_\_ to approve the contribution of \$1,000 to the "Kites Over Awesome Lake Antoine" event being held February 25, 2023. **Motion died due to lack of support.**

**Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **seconded** by Clerk Larson to approve the contribution of \$500 to the "Kites Over Awesome Lake Antoine" event being held February 25, 2023. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

**New Business continued:**

Thank you and recognition for outgoing-expired appointments: **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **seconded** by Trustee Peterson to send letters of appreciation to members of various committees and boards who have chosen not to be nominated for reappointment for Breitung Township. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Zoning Board of Appeals and Board of Review alternate member recommendations:

Zoning Board of Appeals  
William Hasse

Board of Review  
Brian Normand  
David Johnson Jr.

**Motion** by Trustee Peterson, **seconded** by Trustee Rochon to approve the recommendations as submitted. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

NMPSA Grant Writing Training: **Motion** by Trustee Peterson, **seconded** by Clerk Larson to approve Deputy Clerk Helen Schaller and Utility Clerk Deanna Michaud to attend the "Writing a Successful Grant Proposal" training in Marquette, MI on Wednesday January 18, 2023 to include \$85 registration, meals, one nights lodging, mileage or use of the Township vehicle for each. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

**Reports:**

Clerk's Financial Report: **Motion** by Trustee Peterson, **seconded** by Trustee Rochon to approve Clerk Larson's Post Transaction Report from December 21, 2022 through January 6, 2023. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Fire Report - Highlights: Written report submitted by Fire Chief Rose.

Superintendent Report - Highlights: Written report submitted by Township Superintendent Mulka.

Code Enforcement Report: For the month of December 2022, the Breitung Township Officer handled the following: 7 accidents, 29 complaints, 1 code enforcement and 0 arrests.

**Board Discretionary Time:**

Happy Birthday to Chris Wilcox on January 10th!

Trustee Peterson inquired about removing the keypads on the doors, DPW Superintendent Davis informed the Board that parts have been ordered.

Clerk Larson requested her office be moved to the Conference Room to provide a more efficient workspace temporarily until a more permanent solution can be found. The Board discussed the change and agreed. The Conference Room table will be moved to the Board Room. Clerk Larson will work with Superintendent Mulka and DPW Superintendent Davis to plan the move.

Payment of Bills: **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **seconded** by Trustee Peterson to approve the bill list in the amount of \$45,908.94. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Public Comment: None.

Adjournment: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **seconded** by Trustee Peterson to adjourn the meeting. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

The meeting was declared adjourned by Supervisor Olson at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Reviewed and Approved by,

Wendy Larson  
Breitung Township Clerk

Denny Olson  
Breitung Township Supervisor