

**BREITUNG TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 23, 2021**

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

Roll Call: Present: Trustees Wales, Rochon, Supervisor Olson, Clerk Neuens, Treasurer Taylor, Trustees Peterson, and Taff.

Also Present: Superintendent Steve Mulka.

Invocation given by Trustee Wales.

Pledge recited by all.

Public Comment: No comments.

Approval of Agenda: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Rochon to approve the August 23, 2021 Agenda with the addition of 8/d-Deputy Clerk and Deputy Treasurer wage rate.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **second** by Clerk Neuens to approve the August 4, 2021 Closed Session minutes and the August 9, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes with the addition of Beech and Birch to future roads to be considered for paving in 2022. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Treasurer Taylor requested that she be able to abstain from the voting and discussion of the Assessing Department Personnel & Deputy Assessor-Deputy Zoning Administrator agenda item.

Motion by Trustee Peterson, **second** by Trustee Taff to allow Treasurer Taylor to abstain from the Assessing Department Personnel & Deputy Assessor-Deputy Zoning Administrator agenda item.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

7:10 p.m. – Treasurer Taylor stepped away from the board table and exited the meeting room.

Old Business: Assessing Department Personnel/Assessing Clerk & Deputy Assessor-Deputy Zoning Administrator: The internal posting was conducted from August 10th to August 18th. Karie Taff requested a transfer to the position of part-time Assessing Clerk and Ann Gasperich requested a transfer to the position of Deputy Assessor-Deputy Zoning Administrator.

Motion by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Peterson to approve Karie Taff for the part-time Assessing Clerk at the Clerical II wage rate. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Peterson to table the Deputy Assessor/Deputy Zoning Administrator position appointment. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

7:26 p.m. – Treasurer Taylor came back into the meeting room and took her seat at the board table.

New Business: Firefighter Accident and Health Policy Renewal: **Motion** by Trustee Peterson, **second** by Treasurer Taylor to approve continuance of the current Provident Accident & Health Policy #PRCO-91951-MI10196 for the 3-Year prepaid premium of \$18,047.00. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

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Trench Box Quotes: Two quotes were obtained: 1) Motion Industries/\$9,754.07. 2) Core & Main/\$10,171.80.

Motion by Trustee Rochon, **second** by Treasurer Taylor to approve the purchase of the trench box from Motion Industries, in the amount of \$9,754.07. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Water/Sewer Board Recommendation: It was decided at the August 18, 2021 Water/Sewer board meeting to recommend for the Township Board to eliminate the use of door hangers for past due bills.

Motion by Trustee Rochon, **second** by Trustee Wales to eliminate the use of door hangers for residents that have not paid their bill. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Deputy Treasurer and Deputy Clerk Wage Rate: **Motion** by Trustee Peterson, **second** by Trustee Rochon to raise the Deputy Treasurer and the Deputy Clerk from Clerical I wage to Clerical II wage; effective on 08/23/2021. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

The hourly wage scale will be one of the many topics for discussion and possible change during our 2022 budget meetings.

Reports: Clerk's Financial Report: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Rochon to approve Clerk Neuens' Post Transaction Report from to August 6, 2021, to August 17, 2021.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Peterson, second by Trustee Rochon to receive and place on file Clerk Neuens' Revenue/Expenditure Report and Balance Sheet ending 7/31/2021.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

Treasurer's Financial Report: **Motion** by Trustee Peterson, **second** by Trustee Rochon to receive and place on file Treasurer Taylor's Cash Summary by Bank for 07/01/2021 to 07/31/2021.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

Fire Report - Highlights: Chief Rose gave out a big thank you to all the firefighters who kept things going while the Department was between Chiefs. He also gave a short update on the truck repairs and the four names going on the State Memorial wall.

Superintendent Report - Highlights: Meetings attended, Zoning/Permits, Personnel, Infrastructure, Fire Department, Grants, Ordinances, etc. [*Go to www.breitungtwp.org to read full report*].

Board Discretionary Time: The Big 10 is wanting to block off US2 to Pine Street to have a block party. It was advised they reach out to MDOT and/or the DCRC. Due to the requirement to wear a mask at the Island Resort and Casino, the Breitung Township members that had planned to go to the MTA UP Summit being held there September 13th and 14th have decided not to attend.

Payment of Bills: **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **second** by Trustee Peterson to approve the bill list in the amount of \$66,062.49. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Public Comment: No comments.

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

The meeting was declared adjourned by Supervisor Olson at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Reviewed and Approved by,

Samantha Neuens
Breitung Township Clerk

Denny Olson
Breitung Township Supervisor