

**BREITUNG TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 25, 2019**

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

Roll Call: Present: Trustees Wales, Rochon, Johnson, Clerk Neuens, Treasurer Taylor and Supervisor Olson. **Absent:** Trustee Soderbloom – excused.

Also Present: Superintendent John Gaudette.

Invocation given by: Supervisor Olson.

Pledge was recited by all.

Public Comment: No comments.

Approval of Agenda: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Rochon to approve the March 25, 2019 Agenda as presented. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes: **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **second** by Trustee Wales to approve the March 11, 2019 Regular Board Meeting minutes as presented. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Old Business: Ordinance Prohibiting Marihuana Establishments Adoption: **Motion** by Clerk Neuens, **second** by Treasurer Taylor, to adopt Ordinance No. 1-2019, an ordinance to prohibit marihuana establishments within the boundaries of the Charter Township of Breitung pursuant to the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act, Initiated Law 1 of 2018. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Trustees Wales, Rochon, Johnson, Treasurer Taylor, Clerk Neuens and Supervisor Olson. **Absent:** Trustee Soderbloom. **Motion carried.**

New Business: Prosperous Places Grant: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Johnson to approve the application to CUPPAD's Central U.P. Regional Prosperity Initiative's Prosperous Places mini-grant program for \$5, 000 to promote the East Kingsford Park and Recreation Complex. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Kingsford High School Program Ad Purchase: **Motion** by Trustee Rochon, **second** by Treasurer Taylor to purchase an ad in the Kingsford High School Class of 2019 program in the amount of \$100. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

DPW Equipment Request: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by _____ to authorize up to \$64,000 for the purchase of a bucket truck. **Motion died** due to lack of support.

Motion by Trustee Johnson, **second** by Treasurer Taylor to authorize up to \$40,000 for the purchase of a bucket truck. May purchase what is deemed most advantageous to the township. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Treasurer's Training Request: **Motion** by Trustee Johnson, **second** by Trustee Rochon to approve Treasurer Taylor to attend the Michigan Municipal Treasurer's Association Advanced Institute 2019, Monday, May 20 – Wednesday, May 22 in Mt. Pleasant with registration fee, lodging and mileage. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

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Relocation of Precinct 1 (Quinn) and Precinct 4 (EK): For many years we have put up with the cramped space at the Quinnesec and East Kingsford fire halls when conducting Elections. After discussing and doing a walk-through with the DPW Superintendent, Clerk Neuens would like to relocate Precincts 1 (Quinnesec) & 3 (East Kingsford) to the large DPW bay.

Motion by Supervisor Olson, **second** by Treasurer Taylor to relocate Precincts 1 (QU) and 3 (EK) to the large DPW bay, 3850 Menominee Street. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Temporary Appointment of Utility Clerk as Deputy Clerk: The current Deputy Clerk, Gretchen Peters, will be leaving the Township's employ on March 29th. Although Clerk Neuens has hired a new Deputy to start on Tuesday, April 2nd, as a precaution she is asking the Board to allow her to appoint Adrienne Savord as an interim Deputy Clerk if the need arises.

Motion by Treasurer Taylor, **second** by Trustee Wales, to allow Clerk Neuens to appoint the Township's Utility Clerk/Administrative Assistant, Adrienne Savord, as an interim Deputy Clerk, if the need arises. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Clerk Neuens is also requesting that the Board allow her to hire Gretchen Peters as an "Assistant to the Clerk", as Gretchen is willing to help train the new Deputy on the QVF (Qualified Voter File).

Motion by Treasurer Taylor, **second** by Trustee Wales to allow Clerk Neuens to hire Gretchen Peters, on a temporary basis, as an "Assistant to the Clerk", at the Clerical I wage, to assist in training the new Deputy Clerk on the Qualified Voter File. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Superintendent's Official Resignation Notice: **Motion** by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Rochon to accept Superintendent Gaudette's retirement date of May 31, 2019, with regret. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Reports: Clerk's Financial Report: **Motion** by Treasurer Taylor, **second** by Trustee Johnson to receive and place on file Clerk Neuens' Revenue/Expenditure Report and Balance Sheet ending 02/28/19. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Johnson, **second** by Trustee Wales to approve Clerk Neuens' Post Transaction Report dated February 21, 2019 through March 21, 2019. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Treasurer's Financial Report: **Motion** by Clerk Neuens, **second** by Trustee Rochon to receive and place on file Treasurer Taylor's Cash Summary by Bank ending 02/28/19. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Fire Report - Highlights: Incidents, trainings, classes, etc. [Go to www.breitungtwp.org to read full report]

Superintendent Report - Highlights: Community, DPW, Assessing & Personnel. [Go to www.breitungtwp.org to read full report]

Board Discretionary Time: Inquired as to where we are regarding the Demolition Grant we've been waiting on in order to demolish our newly acquire building in East Kingsford. Also wondering how the Administrative Policy update is going. Sunday is the day members of the Board will be heading to the annual MTA Conference. Supervisor Olson will be driving two of our firefighters to St. Ignace to pick up the tanker truck that was purchased from Baroda Fire Department. Happy birthday to Mary Ann Hansen on April 3rd!

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Board Discretionary Time, continued: The cutting of the timber from Township land, T40N R30W Section 33, is not yet complete. In order to avoid Oak Wilt, we are being asked to extend the Timber Sale Contract to March 31, 2020.

Motion by Trustee Wales, **second** by Trustee Rochon to approve the Master Logger Timber Sales Contract Amendment to extend the contract for logging Breitung Township's land described as T40N R30W Section 33, through March 31, 2020. **Vote:** Unanimous, motion carried.

Public Comment: Start Time: 7:46 p.m. End Time: 7:49 p.m.

Doni-Mae Rauch of Quinnesec: Commended and thanked Superintendent John Gaudette for his service.

Mike Day of Quinnesec: Thanked Superintendent John Gaudette for his service. Also thanked the Board for passing the ordinance to prohibit marihuana establishments in Breitung Township.

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

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

The meeting was declared adjourned by Supervisor Olson at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Reviewed and Approved by,

Samantha Neuens
Breitung Township Clerk

Denny Olson
Breitung Township Supervisor