

TOWNSHIP OF BREITUNG MEETING January 21, 2020 12:00 PM

Present: Tomsich, Dostert, Tekautz, Gornick, McDonald

People: Stephanie Ukkola, Matt Tuchel, Dan Nylund.

AGENDA:

CALL TO ORDER:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Township meetings: 1-21-20 & 2-4-20

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT: Frandsen Account: - # 43842-43917

Total disbursements including checks and debit cards \$316,986.21. Motion by Sup Tekautz, seconded by Sup Dostert, to accept the Treasurer's report as presented, motion carried 3-0.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA: Motion by Sup Tekautz, seconded by Sup Dostert to accept the agenda as presented, motion carried 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE: Benchmark Engineering, INC offering their services. No action

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: Follow agenda

REPORTS

Police:

P.D. Labor Contract Teamsters / Breitung Township 1-1-2020 – 12-31-2022. Motion by Sup Dostert, seconded by Sup Tekautz to accept the P.D. Teamsters labor contract, motion carried 3-0.

Option for Contract with Tower regarding on-call services February, March, and April. Motion by Sup Tekautz, seconded by Sup Dostert regarding on-call option with City of Tower Contract, motion carried 3-0. On-call for Tower would eliminate months February, March, and April due to less traffic and incidents. Chairman Tomsich will contact SLC Sheriff's regarding the changes in the contract with Tower, MN. Tower requested information regarding calls for (3) months, Chairman Tomsich will contact Council member regarding the changes.

Chief Nylund reported Breitung P.D. conducted the shop with kids with two families. Discussed safety for first responder calls for motorists on the road. Breitung PD is working with State Highway Safety Office to increase awareness of life-saving laws, such as "Move Over," in order to better protect first responders who place themselves at risk to save lives on the road. Motion by Sup Tekautz, seconded by Sup Dostert to accept the PD report as presented.

Maintenance- R&B: MN Power street lights. Minnesota Power is replacing street light with LED when a light goes out. Better lighting and lights last longer. With all the snow Soudan and area has received this winter the snowbanks are high at intersections and maintenance department is trying to keep intersection clear for visibility. The Board encourages residents to be careful at intersections. So far no water line issues of freezing or breaks.

Site visit report by DNR. regarding signs reviewed and filed.

Recreation:

Skating rink hours & usage: Sup Dostert reported the skating rink is busy with Chimpy's parties and stay open a little later sometimes. Chairman Tomsich asked if rink is open when there is no one skating. Hours are 4-8 PM and post rink will close during the week if no one shows up to skate. Hire Villebrun, Alex T. and TJ for Chimpy's skating parties.

Bocci ball recap: Good attendance with 18 participants.

Hockey Day February 8-2020

Fire:

Meeting minutes 12-11-2019 and Annual Meeting 1-11-2020. Motion by Sup Tekautz, seconded by Sup Dostert to approve 12-11-19 and Annual Meeting, motion carried 3-0.

Approve Officers: Motion by Sup Tekautz, seconded by Sup Dostert to approved FD. Officers, motion carried 3-0.

Pension analysis: Question what are the pension changes / updates? Chairman Tomsich stated he will contact State if any changes.

Perpich TV and Appliances estimates Sony 65 XBR65X900F \$1774.99. Motion by Sup Dostert, seconded by Sup Tekautz to accept Custom Theater TV 65 XBR65X900F \$2192.00 that includes labor, motion carried 3-0.

PROJECTS: Town Hall Rehab:

1. Update: Walk through last week. A few changes requests made. Full report at TWP Office.
2. JPJ Estimate #3 Mesabi Bituminous \$55,309.36. Motion by Sup Tekautz, seconded by Sup Dostert to pay Estimate #3 Mesabi Bituminous \$53,309.36, Motion carried 3-0.
3. Window covering estimates: \$3700.00 from Aaron. Postpone until get second bid and samples / information regarding blinds.
4. Mesabi Sign estimate for Township physical address \$680.00 : Motion by Sup Tekautz, seconded by Sup Dostert to accept Mesabi Sign estimate for Township physical address in front of Clerk/Treasurer's office door, motion 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Open House – 1-23-20: 2 pm –6 pm . Maintenance Dept. will set up table and chairs, food and cake ordered.

Presidential Primary 3-3-2020: Hours 7 am – 8 pm.

Township Election and Township Annual meeting March 10-2020. Polling hours 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM with annual meeting to follow. Motion by Sup Tekautz, seconded by Sup Dostert to accept polling hours and annual meeting to follow, motion carried 3-0.

Voting Machine: Motion by Sup Tekautz, seconded by Sup Dostert to apply for grant funds \$2500 for new voting machine, motion carried 3-0.

Work on Community Computer rules and regulation and computer signature sheet.

NEW Business:

1. Grant Specialist Coordinator with Parks and Trails. Chairman Tomsich in contact with grant specialist. No action required at this time.
2. SLC proposed sale of state tax forfeited land. Information at this time, no action taken.
3. MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS application, effective date and acceptance: Sup Tekautz will contact Midcontinent regarding Soudan services.

February Meeting Dates: 2-4-20 Early meeting Noon

2-25-20 Regular meeting Noon

Board of Audit: 2-25-20 to follow regular Twp. meeting

Adjourn: Motion by Sup Dostert, seconded by Sup Tekautz to adjourn the meeting, motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted by Valeda McDonald, Clerk