#### Township of Breitung Agenda-Regular Board Meeting

# Township of Breitung Regular Board Meeting 01/27/22 Breitung Community Center 12noon

- Call the meeting to order
- Acceptance of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
  - ➤ 12/23/21-Regular Board Meeting
- Approval of December 2021 Treasurer's Report
- Checks Written 46052-46147
- Total Disbursements \$449,275.98
- Fund Balance \$382,279.55
- Voided Checks-None
  - Correspondence
  - MAT-ARPA Funds
  - o Minnesota Pollution Control-State Revolving Funds, Environmental Review
  - St Louis County Public Health-Covid Updates, Project Blue Light
  - St Louis County Association of Townships
  - o Johnson, Killen & Seiler-rate increase
  - Minnesota Rural Water Association
  - Public Input

#### **Reports:**

- Police-See Attached
- Fire-See Attached
- Road and Bridge
- McKinley Park
- Recreation
- Wastewater Board
- Ambulance Commission

#### Acceptance of Reports

#### **Old Business**

- Township Operations
   Update Covid-19 Policy
- Recreation Committee
  - > DNR Grant Application-JPJ
- CDBG Grant Update for Breitung Township
- Trail Grant Update
- Trail Update with the City of Tower
- St Louis County Board of Adjustment
  - > Variance for Batinich @ 30 Center St, Soudan
- Northern Minnesota Historical Mine Tour Progress Update
- St Louis County Planning Commission-Update on rezoning of parcel

#### **New Business**

- Pay Bills as Presented
- IRS Mileage increase from .56/mile to .585/mile for 2022
- LMC-Liability Coverage
- Tower-Soudan Historical Society Request for funds
- Recommendation Request by the Fire Department
- No Fire Chief for the month of January, Matt Tuchel acting as Interim Chief, difference in pay for Chief/Asst. Chief is \$50
- Special Meeting for Portable Recording Systems 02/10/22 @ 12noon
- Community Picnic for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July
- Water Board increase of rates by \$5.00 per month
- Spring Road and Bypass Lane and turn on State Hwy
- Police Department Policies
- Resolution 2022-01 Township Election Hours
- Resolution 2022-02 Appointing and Absentee Ballot Board
- Resolution 2022-03 Accepting Donations
- Resolution 2022-04 Township Election Judges

Next Special Meeting Date-February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 12:00pm Next Regular Meeting Date-February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 12:00pm Board of Audit-February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 after Regular Meeting **Adjourn**  Township of Breitung Regular Board Meeting 12-23-2021 at 12:00PM. In Person Meeting at the Breitung Community Center

#### **Present In Person:**

<u>Board Members</u>: Chairman Tim Tomsich, Supervisor Chuck Tekautz, Supervisor Greg Dostert, Treasurer Jorgine Gornick, Clerk Dianna Sunsdahl, Deputy Clerk Renee Pearson <u>Public</u>: Stephanie Ukkola- Timberjay, John Jamnick-JPJ Engineering (12:05pm), Tom Gorsma-Public Works, Daniel Reing-Breitung Police Chief, Valeda McDonald, Keith Nyman, Doug Erickson, Trudy Hendricks

Call to Order @ 12:00pm by Chairman Tomsich

#### **Acceptance of Agenda:**

Motion by Supervisor Tekautz to accept agenda as presented  $2^{\text{nd}}$  by Supervisor Dostert

Motion Passed 3-0

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion by Supervisor Dostert to accept the Minutes from the 12-02-21 Regular Board Meeting  $2^{\text{nd}}$  by Supervisor Tekautz

Motion Passed 3-0

#### **Approval of Treasurers Report:**

Motion by Supervisor Dostert to accept the November Treasurers Report as presented  $2^{\text{nd}}$  by Supervisor Tekautz

Motion Passed 3-0

#### Correspondence:

Habitat for Humanity- Clerk Sunsdahl to send letter about vacant lot at Main/Gordon St, Soudan

Edwards Oil-so noted

St. Louis County Public Health-so noted

Lee Peterson-so noted

City of Ely-so noted

International League of Cities-so noted Board declined to join

Unemployment Insurance-down, so noted

Lighting for Rink-Give letter to Greg

LCP-Operation Round Up Grant-so noted received grant for Kiddie Rink

#### **Public Input:**

None

#### Reports:

- Police-See attached, busy month
- Fire-See attached
- Road and Bridge-No report out plowing. Supervisor Dostert asked the DOT for funding assistance to get water at the monument but stated it is the townships responsibility because the township owns it. Possibly funding through DNR since trail runs behind.

- McKinley Park- None
- Recreation-Rink Open as of today, 6 employees and fully staffed, Kiddie Rink picked up from Duluth this week.
- <u>Wastewater Board</u>-Short meeting in December. IRRR granted \$250k for forced main sewer project from the train to the ponds. All funding in place for work.
- <u>Ambulance Commission-Nothing new to report</u>. Greenwood Township invited Virginia Ambulance to speak at a meeting, appears to be an expensive venture.

Motion by Supervisor Dostert to accept reports as presented 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Tekautz
Motion passed 3-0

#### **Old Business:**

- Update on Police Department
  - City of Tower Contract-Supervisors reviewed last update received from the City of Tower, and township attorney has reviewed again and given recommendation for change to Section 11.

Motion by Supervisor Tekautz to accept the revised Police Contract with the City of Tower as presented at today's meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Dostert

Motion passed 3-0

- Recreation Committee Public Meeting on 12/09/21 was advertised, no one new in attendance. Prices given for projects with a total cost of \$388,850 not including architecture and engineering costs. Can apply for DNR grant of \$250k but would have to match. Would go to other entities for monies, will have to apply in February/March of 2022. Still waiting on more information and costs. Need solid numbers, firm cost estimate as well as list of importance for Board to make a decision.
- <u>Tower Trail Committee-Final plan delivered</u>, on the Township Website. Will work with others to see what the plan is moving forward. Thought is to have 1 entity responsible to run grant monies through, probably not the Recreation Committee as they do not have an ID number. Will have a meeting in 2022.
- <u>Trail Update with the City of Tower-</u>Have not heard anything back from the City of Tower in regards to payment of their portion of the McKinley Park Trail and maintenance that the Township of Breitung has done or will do moving forward. Chairman Tomsich to look at costs and work with Clerk Sunsdahl and send the City of Tower an invoice for maintenance costs.
- McKinley Park-Resolution 2021-27 Adopting the 2022 McKinley Park Rate Schedule Motion by Supervisor Tekautz to approve Resolution 2021-27 as presented 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Dostert Motion passed 3-0

#### **New Business:**

- Pay Bills as Presented Motion by Supervisor Dostert to pay bills as presented 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Tekautz Motion passed 3-0
- Township Operations-Consensus to make no changes to Township Operations at this time. Housekeeping suggested ordering toilet seat covers, Clerk Sunsdahl to order.
- Portable Recording Systems-Police-Chief Reing stated he has been working with the township attorney on this matter. Per State Statute the agency must provide an opportunity for public comment before it purchases or implements a portable recording system. Clerk Sunsdahl to Publish and Post and a Special Meeting will be set in February. Chief Reing is working with other agencies in regards to a written policy and procedure. Chief Reing spoke with Watchguard and anything recorded would be stored on the Cloud and free of charge. Cost for the cam is \$1195 to include a charging station. \$700 has been promised by private citizens.
- Use of Community Center on a monthly basis by the Quilters Group Motion by Supervisor Dostert to allow the Quilters Group to use the Community Center on a monthly basis as requested 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Tekautz Motion passed 3-0
- Renewal of Tobacco License submitted by the Soudan Store Motion by Supervisor Tekautz to approve the renewal of Tobacco License as submitted 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Dostert Motion passed 3-0
- Partial Pay Estimate #4 from JPJ Engineering-Partial Pay Estimate presented in the amount of \$29,362.13 for the 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Project. Breitung Water and Sewer to reimburse the Township for line CO-2 in the amount of \$12,525.00 plus work done on sewer laterals to be determined by Public Works Supervisor Gorsma Motion made by Supervisor Dostert to accept Partial Pay Estimate #4 and pay as presented 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Tekautz

  - Motion passed 3-0
- Fund Balances-Chairman Tomsich spoke of the different funds that money transfers should be made. See below:
  - > Transfer \$35k to the Equipment Replacement Reserve fund. \$25k from the General Fund and \$10k from Fire Fund
  - > True up Reserve Sick days for Road and Bridge and Police and transfer from their perspective funds. Clerk Sunsdahl to work on this
  - Remove Police Forfeiture Fund Account
  - > Add a new Park Reserve Fund Account and transfer \$50k from the Park Fund

> Transfer \$25k to the Gravel Reserve Fund. \$10k from R&B Fund and \$15k from the General Fund

Motion by Supervisor Tekautz to approve the fund balance transfers as presented  $2^{nd}$  by Supervisor Dostert

Motion passed 3-0

 <u>Skating Shack-</u>Consensus by the Board to accept the Skating Shack Hours and Skating Rink Rules as presented, but did not continue the Safe Skating Rink Policy or Skating Rink Questionnaire.

Next Regular Board Meeting: Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 12:00noon Special Board Meeting: to be held 2<sup>nd</sup> week of February

#### Adjourn:

Motion by Supervisor Dostert to Adjourn the Meeting at 1:06pm 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Tekautz Motion Passed 3-0

Respectfully Submitted Dianna Sunsdahl Clerk, Breitung Township

#### TOWNSHIP OF BREITUNG

#### Dec-21

TOTALS	382,279.55
ARPA	0.00
WATER DEPT	51,657.85
PROJECTS	41,031.94
POLICE	44,213.60
RECREATION	19,506.38
PARK	8,796.87
FIRE	39,107.13
ROAD & BRIDGE	61,997.47
GENERAL	115,968.31

#### clerk@breitungtownship.org

From:

Minnesota Association of Townships <info@mntownships.org>

Sent: To:

Friday, January 7, 2022 3:43 PM clerk@breitungtownship.org

Subject:

ARPA Federal Guidance Change - more info to follow



#### Increased spending flexibility for ARPA funds just announced

Dear Township Officers,



We have good news to share: Yesterday the

U.S. Treasury announced that ARPA funds received by townships can now be put into the general fund and be used towards general governmental services, including roads.

This change in guidance will significantly benefit townships, and we will follow up with more information and specifics very shortly as we know more. This final rule takes effect April 1, 2022.

Further information will also be shared in our upcoming virtual meeting on ARPA resolutions - details are below.

Thank you,

Jeff Krueger Executive Director Minnesota Association of Townships

Join MAT Attorneys for more information on this update, as well as an introduction and discussion of the new American Rescue Plan Act spending resolutions. Townships participating in the ARPA program should document their use of ARPA funds and the sample resolutions discussed in this training will help township's support and document their spending choices.

TRAINING DATE: Wednesday, January 12, at 10 AM

**FORMAT:** Virtual on Zoom, and the presentation will be recorded and placed on the MAT website.

**PARTICIPATE:** Join by computer (preferred) at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87829311350

OR join by phone at (301) 626-6799 passcode 878-293-11350#

**NOTE:** This event is free and there is no registration.

#### clerk@breitungtownship.org

From:

MN\_MPCA\_PPL Submittals < PPL.Submittals.PCA@state.mn.us>

Sent: To:

Tuesday, January 25, 2022 12:22 PM

MN\_MPCA\_PPL Submittals

Subject:

SUBMISSIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED for 2023 PPLs and IUPs

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# Notice and Instructions for the 2023 Project Priority Lists - Intended Use Plans

Submissions are now being accepted to place public wastewater, stormwater, and drinking water infrastructure improvement projects on the 2023 Project Priority Lists (PPL) and Intended Use Plans (IUP) for the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds (SRFs). Projects must be listed on the appropriate PPL as the first step to be eligible for the SRFs or Clean Water Legacy Fund programs. System owners must request that their projects be placed on the appropriate 2023 IUP if they expect to be ready for construction and are seeking SRF financing in state fiscal year 2023 (July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023).

Notices, instructions and deadlines are posted on the PFA website.

- Notice and Instructions for 2023 Project Priority Lists Intended Use Plans
- Notice and Instructions 2023 MPCA Project Priority List
- Notice and Instructions 2023 MDH Project Priority List

Bill Dunn Clean Water Revolving Fund Coordinator Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 520 Lafayette Road North Saint Paul, MN 55155 Phone 651/757-2324

Cell 651/402-1639 Fax 651/297-8676 bill.dunn@state.mn.us

www.pca.state.mn.us/ppl





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Date:

January 10, 2022

To:

All Interested Citizens, Organizations and Government Agencies

Subject:

Environmental Review for Wastewater Collection System Project

Loan Applicant:

Tower-Breitung Wastewater Board

Loan Project Name:

Tower/Breitung Rehab Collection

Loan Project Number: 280782

The Tower-Breitung Wastewater Board has applied for a construction loan under the Minnesota Clean Water Revolving Fund. The funding rules require an environmental review to be completed on this project. The information received by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) indicates that an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) is not mandatory for this project.

The enclosed Environmental Summary (ES) describes the proposed project and outlines potential environmental issues. Significant environmental impacts from the project are not anticipated.

This project has provided a completed Section 106 review exemption form to the MPCA. No further review is required to meet Section 106 requirements.

We invite written comments from the public at this time. Comments are due by 4:30 p.m. on February 7, 2022.

Comments can be submitted in writing via email to wesley.leksell@state.mn.us or to the mailing address on this document. Please contact me at 218-302-6661 with any other questions or concerns.

We will review and respond to all comments received by the due date.

Sincerely,

Wesley Leksell

Wesley Leksell Engineer

Municipal Division

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL SUMMARY**

I. Project Name: Tower/Breitung Rehab Collection

Project Proposer: Tower-Breitung Wastewater Board

P.O. Box 576 Tower, MN 55790

Legal Description: Section 28, Township 62 North, Range 15 West, Breitung Township, St. Louis

County, Minnesota

The city of Tower and Breitung Township are located in the north-central part of St. Louis County in northeastern Minnesota. The proposed project will rehabilitate various sections of the existing sanitary sewer systems in the city of Tower and Breitung Township. 21 manhole structures on the existing forcemain route will be replaced and the Tower lift station will be rehabilitated.

#### II. Alternatives Considered

Other alternatives considered included making no improvements to the existing wastewater treatment collection system and manholes.

#### III. Present Collection System and Need

The Tower-Breitung collection system has issues with Inflow and Infiltration (I & I) of stormwater and groundwater into the sanitary sewer collection system. I & I has caused increased loadings on the sanitary sewer lift stations and the wastewater treatment facility. Large volumes of I & I can also cause sewage backups into homes and lead to the release of raw sewage into the environment.

The existing collection system consists of 2 main lift stations, 12 cleanout manholes, 10 air-release manholes, and approximately 15,000 feet of polyvinyl chloride forcemain. Recently piping in the manholes has failed, causing bypassing. All 22 manholes will be rehabilitated to reduce I & I in the collection system.

#### IV. Environmental Impacts of Proposed Projects

The primary impacts of the project are short-term construction related disturbances such as dust and noise. The short-term impacts will be mitigated by the use of standard construction practices. Erosion and sedimentation control measures recommended by the Natural Resources Conservation Service, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, and Department of Natural Resources will be followed.

The proposed project is expected to result in no direct impacts to: threatened or endangered plant or animal species or their habitats; wetlands; floodplains; nearby farmland; historic, architectural, cultural, or archaeological features; shore lands, or air quality non-attainment areas.

#### V. Public Participation Program

On June 9, 2021, a public hearing was convened at the Tower Civic Center. The current wastewater collection system, proposed improvements, monetary cost, environmental impacts, and potential financing options were discussed.





January 21, 2022

#### Dear Community Partner,

It's becoming more difficult to gauge the current rate of spread of COVID-19 in our county, or anywhere in the state, for that matter. We know that in the last week, an increasingly large number of new cases were reported – 2,083 (that's more than 1% of St. Louis County's total population). But we also know that the high testing volume is causing delays in processing and reporting results, which means many of those cases occurred at least a week ago. It also means we likely won't know results of tests being taken now for another week or so. Likewise, anyone who tested positive using an at-home kit isn't included in that total.

An easier – and more concerning – measure is the number of serious cases. There were 45 people hospitalized in the last week and 6 new deaths (total 475). Also worth noting – there have been 7 pediatric admissions so far in January, the worst monthly total ever in our county, and that's with 10 days still to go.

We've started creating a weekly graphic – an at-a-glance summary of the current situation as best we know it. It's attached to this email if you'd like to share. Or you can find it <u>on our Facebook page</u> if you want to share on social media.

#### Updates/resources you may find helpful:

**Isolation/quarantine:** Last week we shared several web links from MDH with details on the new shorter quarantine times for people with mild or no symptoms. Now, MDH has created some downloadable PDFs you can use:

What to Do if You Have Had Close Contact With a Person With COVID-19 (state.mn.us)

What to Do if You Have COVID-19 (state.mn.us)

**Masks:** As recommendations have changed regarding which mask types work best against Omicron, here's <u>helpful information from the CDC</u>.

**#ThankYouWithBlue:** Reminder – next week is Frontline Workers Appreciation Week. Display some blue lights from January 24-31 as a show of thanks and support. We forgot to include the flier in last week's email, but you can <u>find it here</u>.

Week in and week out, I'm thankful for you and your continued partnership. Call or email me with any questions/concerns you have.

LIASON CONTACT INFO Carol Haasl 218-471-7339 or haaslc@stlouiscountymn.gov

<u>Find a vaccine/booster clinic through SLC Public Health</u> <u>Find a vaccine/booster options anywhere in Minnesota</u>





January 13, 2022

#### Dear Community Partner,

Another week of surging cases. Another week of changing guidance. It's hard to keep up, so let's dive right in. We've added more lab-confirmed cases in the last week than in the combined two weeks prior. Yes, Omicron is here. There have been 1,535 lab-confirmed cases reported in the last seven days (35,263 total). That doesn't include the people who tested positive with an at-home test. Additionally, in the last week, there have been ten more deaths (total 469).

#### Updates/resources you may find helpful:

**Isolation/quarantine:** MDH has now adopted the CDC's recommendations for shorter quarantine times for people with mild or no symptoms. Here's the updated guidance for:

If You Are Sick or Test Positive: COVID-19 - Minnesota Dept. of Health (state.mn.us)

Close Contacts and Quarantine: COVID-19 - Minnesota Dept. of Health (state.mn.us)

Schools and Child Care: COVID-19 - Minnesota Dept. of Health (state.mn.us)

**Kids deserve a shot** – **new vaccine incentives for 5-11-year-olds:** The State launched the next phase of the 'Kids Deserve a Shot' vaccine incentives program this week to encourage Minnesota families to get their children fully vaccinated against COVID-19. The program consists of two sets of rewards.

- NOW: A \$200 Visa gift card for each Minnesotan 5-11 years old who starts and completes their two-dose COVID-19 vaccine series between January 1st and February 28th.
- LATER: Five drawings for \$100,000 Minnesota college scholarships for all fully vaccinated kids 5-11 years old later this spring.

Learn more: Kids Deserve a Shot! / COVID-19 Updates and Information - State of Minnesota (mn.gov)

City of Duluth mask mandate: The 30-day emergency order goes into effect today (Friday, 1/14) at 5 p.m. and lasts through February 12th. Rules are the same as the last time. You can find a copy of the order, as well as a downloadable sign Duluth businesses can use on the City's website.

**#ThankYouWithBlue:** We are partnering with other county and tribal health departments in the region to promote the second annual Project Blue Light. Hang some blue lights or illuminate a landmark – from January 24-31. It's a united show of support and thanks for front-line workers. <u>Learn more here</u>. I've also attached a flyer you can print and share.

Week in and week out, I'm thankful for you and your continued partnership. Call or email me with any questions/concerns you have.

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# SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR FRONTLINE WORKERS

# Project Blue Light

Let's all come together to show those who have been working to keep our community safe during COVID-19 how much we appreciate them.

## January 24 - January 31

We will be illuminating landmarks, houses, and businesses blue across our Arrowhead Region as a show of support for frontline workers! Join us by lighting up the exterior of your business blue or placing a blue lightbulb in your porch light.

Share a picture of your blue light tribute on social media with the hashtag #thankyouwithblue

To honor the dedicated people working for you
We are asking to turn our towns and cities blue.
On your front porch, please place a blue light
To honor the frontline workers, working day and night.

#### **BROUGHT TO YOU BY**

THE ARROWHEAD REGIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND TRIBAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING: AITKIN, CARLTON, COOK, ITASCA, KOOCHICHING, LAKE, AND ST. LOUIS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

TOGETHER WITH THE BOIS FORTE, FOND DU LAC, GRAND PORTAGE, AND MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE PUBLIC HEALTH



#### ST. LOUIS COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF TOWNSHIPS

NEXT MEETING: COTTON COMMUNITY CENTER WED. JANUARY 26, 2022; 6:30 PM

IN PERSON MEETING AS WELL AS *GO TO MEETING* FORMAT

GO TO MEETING: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/492358789

Cellphone or landline: 1-224-501-3412

SPEAKER: St. Louis County Attorney Maki; Gordon Ramsay, SLC Sheriff Candidate

Speakers – please use a COMPUTER for communication if you are a scheduled speaker

FOLLOWING MEETING: FEB 23, 2022 – In Person Mtg. at Cotton GO TO MEETING: <a href="https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/357703805">https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/357703805</a>

Cellphone or landline: 1-312-757-3121

#### Call Meeting to Order

President Jim Aird called the Dec. 1, 2021, SLCAT meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by 34 township officers (19 in person and 15 go to meeting and 3 guests). **Speakers** 

**Chad Walsh** – A <u>candidate</u> for Sheriff, discussed his opinions and views of his candidacy. **NOTE:** Cathy listed Mr. Walsh as a St. Louis County Sheriff, which he is not. Cathy apologizes for any confusion.

Jim Fisher. MAT Dist. 10 Director – ARPA funds, still has 10 million left over. If you applied for a grant and received one in the past, you will receive a second grant for a share of the remaining monies. If you need to send in for a request, please do so immediately. MAT will be contacting legislature to get money designated for broadband. Resolutions for Restoration of Landowner Voting Rights, and Road Revision Reform was discussed. Some language clarification will be noted on the resolutions and sent to township clerks. We will have a vote to either forward or dismiss the resolutions at the January 26, 2022 meeting. Jim is the MAT Director that will be handling L & R this year. Feb. is the next L & R meeting on zoom. The state demographer published the townships' populations.

**Commissioner Jugovich** – reported on finishing the budget for the county – currently at a 5.9% increase (1.9% increase of levy); county offices are remaining open at this time.

Commissioner Nelson – corrected Mr. Walsh that the sheriff is not in charge of 911. St. Louis County has 60-70 road projects for a total of \$400 million for payment layover; trying to keep the dollars in St. Louis County by using local labor for these jobs. Landfill is a \$10 million investment which will add 75 years to lifetime of landfill.

Nancy Nilsen, St. Louis County Auditor-Reminder: all townships need to pass a resolution for a polling place of the Annual Township Meeting. Post Officers for Election, notice of election. Regarding M-100's funds may be available for the newer M-200. Assistive voting machines are 20 years old, county is applying for 2 grants (the machine costs \$4000) for a total of \$860,000. Redistricting will be on the legislative docket 2/15/2022; most districts will need to do this by resolution. Auditor Nilsen announced she is once again running for St. Louis County Auditor to serve another 4 years.

**Secretary Report:** minutes of the Oct. 27, 2021 meeting were sent out by email to all township clerks and interested officers; a motion was made by Earl Grano and seconded by Cal Warwas to approve the minutes as sent. Motion carried. Correspondence was read.

Treasurer Report: Cathy read the following financial report

Beginning Balance 10/8/2021 - \$16226.12; Receipts= -0- Expenses=\$160.96 Ending Balance 10/11/8/2021 = \$16065.16. Motion was made by Bob Hirsch and seconded by Margaret

Resolutions – Will be voted on at the January 2022 meeting.

Taylor to approve the treasurer report as read. Motion carried.

#### SLCAT DEC. 1, 2021 MONTHLY MEETING OLD BUSINESS

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Appointment of ARDC Board – Cal Warwas, Clinton Township and Robert Hirsch, Colvin Township were listed as possible SLCAT representatives. Robert Hirsch declined the position. A motion was made by Jim Fisher and seconded by Jim Hofsommer to appoint Cal Warwas as the candidate for ARDC appointment. Motion carried. Cathy will send the nomination to the ARDC Board.

NEW BUSINESS - none

Next Meeting – Jan. 26, 2022 – 6:30 Cotton Community Center; *gotomeeting* info is at the top of page 1 under: "Next meeting". In person mtg. at the Cotton Community Center, also.

**Adjourn** – there being no further business, a motion was made by Cal Warwas and seconded by Jim Fisher to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted: Cathy Rouleau, SLCAT Sec/Treas.

Attached: 1. Resolution in Support of Annexation Reform: Restoration of Landowner Voting Rights 2. Resolution in Support of Road Revision Reform

## St. Louis County Association of Township Officers Resolution in Support of Annexation Reform: Restoration of Landowner Voting Rights

**Whereas,** Minnesota Statutes Chapter 414 provides numerous processes of annexation of property from a township to a nearby city;

Whereas, townships and landowners have very few or no options to prevent annexation of property to a nearby city;

Whereas, under previous versions of Minnesota Statutes Chapter 414 provided landowners with a vote on whether their property would be annexed into a nearby city;

Whereas, landowners were stripped of their rights to vote on certain proposed annexations;

Whereas, some parcels are annexed into a city without the consent of the landowners and without the parcel being or expected to become urban or suburban in character;

Whereas, townships and landowners are placed at an unfair disadvantage in annexation matters;

**Whereas,** the St. Louis County Association of Township Officers *favors* the consideration of landowners' preferences in annexation matters to a reasonable extent;

**Whereas,** Senate File 1969, of the 92<sup>nd</sup> Legislature (2021-2022), as authored by Senator Mary Kiffmeyer, seeks to restore to landowners a right to vote on proposed annexations;

Whereas, the St. Louis County Association of Township Officers *supports* the restoration of voting rights to landowners in annexation matters, as described in Senate File 1969;

**Be it Therefore Resolved** that, the St. Louis County Association of Township Officers supports the restoration of voting rights to landowners in annexation matters;

**Be it Further Resolved** that the St. Louis County Association of Township Officers supports the passage of Senate File 1969 of the 92<sup>nd</sup> Legislature (2021-2022) and those bills that would provide similar rights to landowners.

A motion was made by	and seconded by	to
approve the resolution as presented	d. Motion carried.	
Jim Aird, President, SLCAT	Catherine Rouleau, Sec/Treas, SLCAT	_

Dated: Jan 26, 2022

# St. Louis County Association of Township Officers Resolution in Support of Road Reversion Reform SF 1949 (2021-2022)

Whereas, Townships are road authorities within their boundaries, with obligations and duties to maintain township roadways;

Whereas, county roads exist with Townships, over which the respective counties are the road authority;

Whereas, Minnesota Statutes section 163.11 provides that counties may require a township to become the road authority over a county road through a process of county road reversion;

Whereas, the township becomes responsible for the costs and labor required to maintain and operate the road after it reverts to the township;

Whereas, townships cannot reject or otherwise prevent the reversion of county roads to the township;

Whereas, in practice, townships cannot vacate or otherwise rid themselves of roads reverted to them by the county, creating a permanent obligation upon the township and its taxpayers;

Whereas, townships have limited financial resources to maintain roads;

Whereas, Townships are property tax dependent, placing the financial burden of any county road reversion onto the local township landowners;

Whereas, the St. Louis County Association of Township Officers believes townships should be allowed to reject a county road reversion;

Whereas, Senate File 1949, of the 92<sup>nd</sup> Legislature (2021-2022), as authored by Senator Mary Kiffmeyer, seeks to provide townships the power to accept or reject a county road reversion at the discretion of the township board;

**Be it Therefore Resolved** that, the St. Louis County Association of Township Officers supports the adoption of rules that would allow township boards to accept or reject county road reversions;

Be it Further Resolved that the St. I	ouis County Association of Township O	fficers supports the passage
of Senate File 1949 of the 92 <sup>nd</sup> Legis	slature (2021-2022) and those bills that	would provide similar rights
to landowners.		
A motion was made by	and seconded by	to approve this
resolution. Motion carried. Dated t	this 26 <sup>th</sup> Day of January, 2022.	
Jim Aird, President, SLCAT	Catherine Rouleau	ı, Sec/Treas SLCAT

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WRITER'S E-MAIL ADDRESS: rpearson@duluthlaw.com

January 14, 2022

Township of Breitung c/o Dianna Sunsdahl, Clerk PO Box 56 Soudan MN 55782

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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Enclosed is our statement of account through December 31, 2021.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your confidence in us, and we look forward to helping you with future legal work.

As we have not adjusted our rates in the last two years, we are making a modest adjustment for the new year. Every year the firm reviews its billing rates to make adjustments for the costs of doing business. Effective January 1, 2022, my hourly rate for 2022 has been set at \$395.

Thank you again for the privilege of serving you.

Yours very truly,

e/ Robert C. Pearson

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#### clerk@breitungtownship.org

From:

Minnesota Rural Water Association <lori.blair@mrwa.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, January 12, 2022 8:15 AM

To: Subject: clerk@breitungtownship.org MRWA JOB Announcement

Announcement: MRWA is Seeking an Apprenticeship Program Coordinator / Training and Technical Assistance

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## Apprenticeship Program Coordinator / Trainer and Technical Assistance



**Minnesota Rural Water Association (MRWA)** is searching for an Apprenticeship Program Coordinator / Trainer & Technical Advisor to work with municipalities, apprentices, and training/technical assistance in the state of Minnesota. The individual must be certified as a Class D or higher Water AND Wastewater Operations Specialist (Operator) with a minimum of five (5) years of experience in working for and directly operating, maintaining, and/or managing a water or wastewater system in Minnesota. The individual must also have:

- 1) A well-rounded technical knowledge of rural and small system needs and methods of meeting those needs.
- 2) Ability to follow MRWA's Registered Apprenticeship Standards of Procedures, Affirmative Action Plan, Qualification, and Selection Procedures and all related documents.
- 3) Serve as a liaison to all parties involved in registered apprenticeship (employers, mentors, instructors, apprentices) communicating all aspects of registered apprenticeship in a way that each participant understands their role.
- 4) Ability to communicate effectively orally in-person, in writing, and online/virtually with operations specialists, decision makers, regulatory agencies, and other professionals.
- 5) Recruit and promote MRWA apprenticeship program to potential participation employers, primacy agencies, community organizations, and applicants.
- 6) Maintain a thorough understanding of apprenticeship requirements and to monitor the training needs of the participating employer and map-out learning and development plans for apprentice and analyze their training progress.
- 7) Willingness to travel as needed and ability to complete reporting requirements in a timely manner.
- 8) Ability to facilitate and participate in MRWA training activities as needed.
- 9) Ability to provide technical assistance and training on water conservation as needed per grant requirement.

10) All other duties as assigned by the Executive Director.

Excellent salary and fringe benefits. Resume and cover letter must be received in the MRWA office on or before January 28th. Interviews will be scheduled the first or second week of February. Mail to: MRWA, Attn: Lori Blair, 217 12th Avenue SE, Elbow Lake, MN 56531 or submit by E-mail: <a href="mailto:mrwa@mrwa.com">mrwa@mrwa.com</a>.

#### Posting online at: www.mrwa.com

Minnesota Rural Water Association | 217 12th Avenue SE, Elbow Lake, MN 56531

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#### Excellence in Training and Technical Assistance

TO: Frier

Friends of Rural Water

FROM:

Minnesota Rural Water Association

DATE:

January 7, 2022

#### WE NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE...HELP!...if we don't tell our story, then NO ONE will!

As our legislators struggle with the growing deficits it becomes more and more important to bring our message of water and wastewater issues to Washington, DC. Although water and wastewater are non-partisan issues, it is always an educational process to keep our federal legislators focused on infrastructure and compliance issues that face small systems.

MRWA currently has programs through USDA Rural Development, Farm Services Agency and EPA to bring on-site technical assistance and training to you. Rural communities believe these programs result in more environmental improvement than any other programs. As a result, the programs have become the backbone of compliance with environmental mandates and increased public health in rural areas. Each year MRWA provides approximately 5300 on-site hours to water and wastewater systems across the state and almost 3600 water/wastewater operations specialists, administrative and governing officials attend our training sessions.

WE NEED YOUR HELP TODAY!! Please take a few minutes to send us a letter or e-mail of support for the assistance we have been able to offer you over the past years. These letters will be used to show the support of our programs to our federal legislators. Let our federal legislators know how important these programs are to you. Without your support these programs are in jeopardy of not being funded!!

SAMPLE: The purpose of this letter is to express the major importance of the Rural Water Technical Assistance programs to our small community. During the past year technical assistance has been provided to us when...

- > we needed help locating water lines and valve boxes
- > our chlorinator broke down
- > we needed help identifying our wastewater I&I
- > our water tower froze
- we had a main break and were losing 50,000 gpm
- > we needed a water or sewer rate analysis
- > we needed a groundwater wellhead protection plan
- > we have failing infrastructure and need help providing affordable water/wastewater to customers
- > we needed sewer collection line televised
- > we needed to calibrate our lift stations
- > we needed help with our security vulnerability assessment & emergency response plan
- > we needed training to renew my certification license
- > we needed funding for a project
- > we needed assistance with asset management
- > we had an energy assessment completed
- > or whatever we helped you with???

Without the help of Minnesota Rural Water Associations on-site technical assistance, many small systems would lack adequate operation and maintenance programs and require additional funding for failing infrastructure. Without this type of on-site assistance many small systems may not meet the technical, managerial or financial capacity to comply with the Safe Drinking Water and Clean Water Acts.

On February 8, 2022 representatives from the Minnesota Rural Water Association will be in Washington, D.C. to tell your story. This is YOUR Association. Small systems need to be heard. Please E-mail (mrwa@mrwa.com) today.

QUALITY ON TAP – OUR COMMITMENT – OUR PROFESSION HELP US HELP YOU!!

217 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE | Elbow Lake, MN 56531 | Ph: (800) 367-6792 E-mail: mrwa@mrwa.com | Web: www.mrwa.com

#### SERVING BREITUNG TOWNSHIP, THE TOWN OF SOUDAN, AND THE CITY OF TOWER

PHONE: (218) 753-6660 FAX: (218) 753-2407

41 1<sup>ST</sup> AVE • P.O. BOX 6 **SOUDAN MN 55782** 

DANIEL REING **CHIEF OF POLICE** 

Calls for Service: 50 calls as of January 27, 2022

**Investigations: 3** 

Citations: 2 1 Citation for 4<sup>th</sup> Degree DWI (Misd.)

1 Citation for Driving with a Suspended Driver's License

Arrests: 1 arrest for DWI.

Mileage: 36815 on January 1, 2022

37776 on January 27, 2022

Updates and events for the month: The 30-day comment period for the body camera implementation started this month. So far Chief Reing and Township Clerk Sunsdahl have received no public comments. Officer Nyman worked a couple shifts this month. Officer Roy will also be coming back and be available periodically, though very busy in Ely PD.



Breitung Fire & Rescue
Box 337
33 1<sup>st</sup> Ave.
Soudan, Mn. 55782

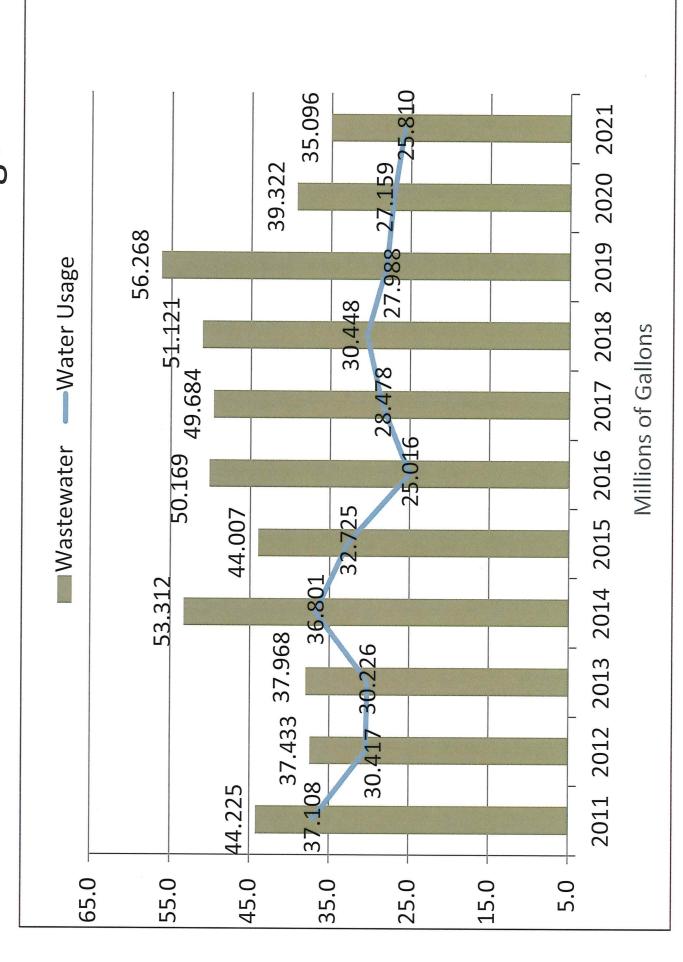
#### **December Fire Dept Report**

Regular monthly and annual fire dept meeting was held on 1/15/21. We did a work day including; cleaning the hall, washing trucks and snowmobile, installed TIC into truck 1, assigned gear and radios to new members, trained Trevor and Matt on chief duties and organized equipment on trucks. We held our annual meeting which included election of new officers. We had excellent attendance for dinner from both membership and retirees.

Training was networking and communications.

We responded mutual aid to a structure fire on wiseman road in kugler on 12/10.

# Wastewater Flow vs. Water Usage





# weekly update COVID-19



Public Health Prevent. Promote. Protect.

Confirmed cases

reported this week

2,083

Hospitalizations

reported this week

Deaths

reported this week

16

ICU staffed bed availability—Arrowhead region

Adult 2

Pediatric 7

January 20, 2022



# CDC Updates and Shortens Recommended Isolation and Quarantine Period for General Population

#### Media Statement

For Immediate Release: Monday, December 27, 2021

Contact: Media Relations

(404) 639-3286

Given what we currently know about COVID-19 and the Omicron variant, CDC is shortening the recommended time for isolation for the public. People with COVID-19 should isolate for 5 days and if they are asymptomatic or their symptoms are resolving (without fever for 24 hours), follow that by 5 days of wearing a mask when around others to minimize the risk of infecting people they encounter. The change is motivated by science demonstrating that the majority of SARS-CoV-2 transmission occurs early in the course of illness, generally in the 1-2 days prior to onset of symptoms and the 2-3 days after.

Additionally, CDC is updating the recommended quarantine period for anyone in the general public who is exposed to COVID-19. For people who are unvaccinated or are more than six months out from their second mRNA dose (or more than 2 months after the J&J vaccine) and not yet boosted, CDC now recommends quarantine for 5 days followed by strict mask use for an additional 5 days. Alternatively, if a 5-day quarantine is not feasible, it is imperative that an exposed person wear a well-fitting mask at all times when around others for 10 days after exposure. Individuals who have received their booster shot do not need to quarantine following an exposure, but should wear a mask for 10 days after the exposure. For all those exposed, best practice would also include a test for SARS-CoV-2 at day 5 after exposure. If symptoms occur, individuals should immediately quarantine until a negative test confirms symptoms are not attributable to COVID-19.

Isolation relates to behavior after a confirmed infection. Isolation for 5 days followed by wearing a well-fitting mask will minimize the risk of spreading the virus to others. Quarantine refers to the time following exposure to the virus or close contact with someone known to have COVID-19. Both updates come as the Omicron variant continues to spread throughout the U.S. and reflects the current science on when and for how long a person is maximally infectious. These recommendations do not supersede state, local, tribal, or territorial laws, rules, and regulations, nor do they apply to healthcare workers for whom CDC has updated guidance.

Data from South Africa and the United Kingdom demonstrate that vaccine effectiveness against infection for two doses of an mRNA vaccine is approximately 35%. A COVID-19 vaccine booster dose restores vaccine effectiveness against infection to 75%. COVID-19 vaccination decreases the risk of severe disease, hospitalization, and death from COVID-19. CDC strongly encourages COVID-19 vaccination for everyone 5 and older and boosters for everyone 16 and older. Vaccination is the best way to protect yourself and reduce the impact of COVID-19 on our communities.

#### The following is attributable to CDC Director, Dr. Rochelle Walensky:

"The Omicron variant is spreading quickly and has the potential to impact all facets of our society. CDC's updated recommendations for isolation and quarantine balance what we know about the spread of the virus and the protection provided by vaccination and booster doses. These updates ensure people can safely continue their daily lives. Prevention is our best option: get vaccinated, get boosted, wear a mask in public indoor settings in areas of substantial and high community transmission, and take a test before you gather."

#### Everyone, regardless of vaccination status.

- Stay home for 5 days.
- If you have no symptoms or your symptoms are resolving after 5 days, you can leave your house.
- Continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.

If you have a fever, continue to stay home until your fever resolves.

#### If You Were Exposed to Someone with COVID-19 (Quarantine)

#### If you:

Have been boosted

OR

Completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine within the last 6 months

OR

Completed the primary series of J&J vaccine within the last 2 months

- Wear a mask around others for 10 days.
- Test on day 5, if possible.

If you develop symptoms get a test and stay home.

#### If you:

Completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine over 6 months ago and are not boosted

OR

Completed the primary series of J&J over 2 months ago and are not boosted

OR

Are unvaccinated

- Stay home for 5 days. After that continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
- If you can't quarantine you must wear a mask for 10 days.
- Test on day 5 if possible.

If you develop symptoms get a test and stay home

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#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES []

CDC works 24/7 protecting America's health, safety and security. Whether disease start at home or abroad, are curable or preventable, chronic or acute, or from human activity or deliberate attack, CDC responds to America's most pressing health threats. CDC is headquartered in Atlanta and has experts located throughout the United States and the world.

Page last reviewed: December 29, 2021



#### Done City of Hibbing Supervisors...



#### <u>City of Hibbing Supervisors Guide for Employees Positive with</u> <u>Covid or exposed to Covid</u>

#### A. Positive test (viral test) with symptoms:

Stay home 5 full days Employee can return to work on day 6 if they are fever free for 24 hours with no meds and feel better. If criteria are met employee must wear a mask 5 additional days at work (10 total days starting day of symptoms)

#### B. Positive test with no symptoms:

Stay home 5 full days Employee can return to work on day 6. If criteria are met employee must wear a mask 5 additional days at work (10 total days starting day of test)

#### C. Exposed to COVID with no test taken, no symptoms, and vaccinated with booster:

No Quarantine needed. Recommended to wear a mask around other 10days and recommend getting tested after days 5 of exposure or symptoms develop. If either develop revert to process A.

#### D. <u>Exposed to COVID No test, No symptoms and no vaccine</u> or vaccinated but no booster

Stay home 5 days. Get tested after 5 days. If test is negative employee can return to work but wear a mask for 5 days (10 days total from exposure). If positive revert to process A.

#### E. Exposed to COVID but had a positive Covid viral test in last 90 days:

No Quarantine needed. Employee is recommended to wear a mask around other 10 days. (Employee must provide test results)

LMCIT Member Name:
Check one:  The member DOES NOT WAIVE the monetary limits on municipal tort liability established by Minn.  Stat. § 466.04.
The member <b>WAIVES</b> the monetary limits on municipal tort liability established by Minn. Stat. § 466.04, to the extent of the limits of the liability coverage obtained from LMCIT.
Date of member's governing body meeting:
Signature: Position:



#### LIABILITY COVERAGE - WAIVER FORM

Members who obtain liability coverage through the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust (LMCIT) must complete and return this form to LMCIT before the member's effective date of coverage. Return completed form to your underwriter or email to pstech@lmc.org.

The decision to waive or not waive the statutory tort limits must be made annually by the member's governing body, in consultation with its attorney if necessary.

Members who obtain liability coverage from LMCIT must decide whether to waive the statutory tort liability limits to the extent of the coverage purchased. The decision has the following effects:

- If the member does not waive the statutory tort limits, an individual claimant could recover no more than \$500,000 on any claim to which the statutory tort limits apply. The total all claimants could recover for a single occurrence to which the statutory tort limits apply would be limited to \$1,500,000. These statutory tort limits would apply regardless of whether the member purchases the optional LMCIT excess liability coverage.
- If the member waives the statutory tort limits and does not purchase excess liability coverage, a single claimant could recover up to \$2,000,000 for a single occurrence (under the waive option, the tort cap liability limits are only waived to the extent of the member's liability coverage limits, and the LMCIT per occurrence limit is \$2,000,000). The total all claimants could recover for a single occurrence to which the statutory tort limits apply would also be limited to \$2,000,000, regardless of the number of claimants.
- If the member waives the statutory tort limits and purchases excess liability coverage, a single claimant could potentially recover an amount up to the limit of the coverage purchased. The total all claimants could recover for a single occurrence to which the statutory tort limits apply would also be limited to the amount of coverage purchased, regardless of the number of claimants.

Claims to which the statutory municipal tort limits do not apply are not affected by this decision.

#### clerk@breitungtownship.org

From: Stephanie Ukkola <stephanie.ukkola@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2021 2:52 PM

To: towersoudanwater@accessmn.com; ndostert30@msn.com; gdusty@frontiernet.net;

joanie.bologna@hotmail.com; publicworks@breitungtownship.org

Cc: Dianna Sunsdahl

**Subject:** Fwd: Hockey boards Soudan quote

Attachments: retowersoudan.zip

#### Park people:

Trish got another rink quote... details below and photos attached. She's waiting on another quote too from Sport Court.

Our other quote was from Becker starting at \$80,000.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Trish Crego < tcrego@jpjeng.com >

Date: Tue, Dec 28, 2021, 2:37 PM

Subject: Re: Hockey boards Soudan quote

To: Stephanie Ukkola <stephanie.ukkola@gmail.com>

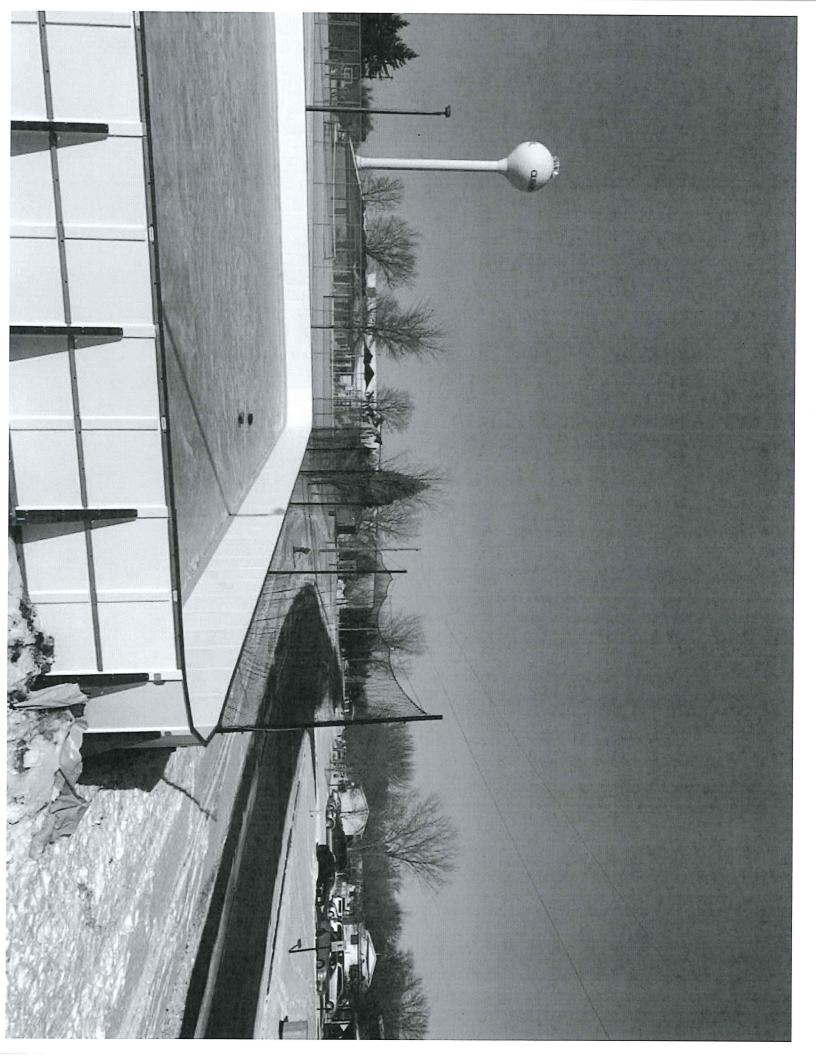
#### Stephanie,

I got one response so far from Ice Time out of the cities. They said that they don't do rinks as big as the one you have but the did do one recently almost as big. Here is what I found out:

Good to speak with you. Here are some rough pictures of the 80x160 polysteel dasher board system we did for Clearwater MN. 7-10 year system before maintenance might be needed. Would need concrete curb or slab to be installed on.

Cost \$25-\$30k depending on options and netting etc. Let me know if you have any questions or would like an official quote.

Best Regards, Adam Carignan 612-968'4302





## Saint Louis County

#### Planning and Community Development Department www.stlouiscountymn.gov

Matthew Johnson
Director

To:

2022 Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Applicants

From:

Brad Gustafson, Senior Planner

Date:

January 26, 2022

Re:

CDBG Final Funding Recommendations

Thank you for your agency's participation in the 2022 CDBG funding process.

Attached is the list of funding recommendations approved by the CDBG Citizen's Advisory Committee. The recommendations will be provided to the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and then incorporated to St. Louis County's draft HUD 2022 Action Plan.

- HUD has yet to provide St. Louis County notice of its final CDBG award. The Advisory Committee may be reconvened if funding is increased or reduced from the anticipated award.
- Funding recommendations require final approval by the St. Louis County Board before submission to HUD.

**Do not start your project.** Agencies may not incur costs related to their CDBG funding until after County Board authorization and completion of the County's environmental review process. You will receive notice to proceed when these steps have been completed. Costs incurred prior to notice to proceed may not be eligible for CDBG reimbursement.

Please contact Community Development staff persons with questions:

Steve Nelson:

742-9561 or nelsonst@stlouiscountymn.gov

Mike Vidmar:

742-9564 or vidmarm@stlouiscountymn.gov

Brad Gustafson:

742-9563 or gustafsonb@stlouiscountymn.gov

Jill Zallar:

742-9567 or zallarj@stlouiscountymn.gov

Laurie Kramka:

725-5007 or kramkal@stlouiscountymn.gov

On-Site Wastewater: (218) 725-5200 Fax: (218) 725-5029 Virginia Office, Government Services Center 201 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue West, Virginia, MN 55792 Main Phone: (218) 749-7103 Toll Free in MN: 1-800-450-9777 On-Site Wastewater: (218) 749-0625

Fax: (218) 749-7194



# St. Louis County PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Government Service Center 201 South 3rd Avenue West Virginia, MN 55792 Phone: (218) 749-7103

	FY 2022 CDBG Final Fun 2022 CDBG Applicants			
	Housing	CDBG Request	Final Recommend	Available Funding
1	Access North: Aging In Place	¢20.000	400.000	\$350,000
2	AEOA: Single Family Rehab	\$20,000	\$20,000	
3	Chisholm HRA: Rental Rehab	\$350,000	\$200,000	
4	9 9/8/07 A 9/8/A MONTO	\$91,500	\$38,000	
	Cook HRA: Rental Rehab	\$17,000	\$17,000	
5 6	Eveleth HRA: Rental Rehab	\$100,000	\$50,000	
ь	Habitat for Humanity: Building Program	\$60,000	\$25,000	
CO Infinite	Housing Total	\$638,500	\$350,000	
	Economic Development			\$40,000
7	Entrepreneur Fund: Microenterprise and Consulting	\$40,000	\$20,000	
8	SOAR: Subsidized Employment Services	\$25,000	\$20,000	
	Economic Development Total	\$65,000	\$40,000	
	Community Facilities and Public Infrastructure			\$1,150,000
	Community Facilities			
9	AEOA: Community Donation Building	\$170,880	-	
10	Buhl: Buhl/Kinney Senior Center Improvements	\$48,000	\$48,000	
11	Chisholm: North Side Park Improvements	\$50,000	-	
12	Gilbert: Community Center/Library Improvements	\$110,000	\$50,000	
13	Tourist Center Senior Citizens: Senior Center Rehab	\$22,971	-	
14	Virginia Community Foundation: Building Improvements	\$39,000	-	
	Community Facilities Total	\$440,851	\$98,000	
High	Public Infrastructure			
15	Aurora: Water Treatment Facility	\$300,000	\$150,000	
16	Breitung: Infrastructure	\$165,000	\$90,000	
17	Cook: Infrastructure	\$150,000	-	
18	Ely: Wastewater Treatment Facility	\$200,000	\$140,000	
19	Eveleth: Infrastructure	\$150,000	\$100,000	
20	Floodwood: Infrastructure	\$250,000	\$140,000	
21	Hibbing: Infrastructure	\$250,000		
22	Hibbing PUC: Infrastructure	\$200,000	\$150,000	
23	Orr: Infrastructure		\$77,000	
24	Virginia: Infrastructure	\$150,000	\$90,000	
25	Winton: Infrastructure	\$125,000	\$65,000	
26		\$50,000	\$50,000	
20	St. Louis County: Neighborhood Revitalization Program	44		
	Public Infrastructure Total	\$1,690,000	\$1,052,000	
11.000	Community Facilities and Public Infrastructure Total	\$2,130,851	\$1,150,000	
07	Public Service			\$260,000
27	Advocates for Family Peace: Domestic Violence Prevention	\$18,500	\$18,000	
28	AEOA: Homeless Shelter Operations	\$54,000	\$43,000	
29	AEOA: Homeless Youth Services	\$28,200	\$23,000	
30	Legal Aid of NE MN: Housing Counseling Project	\$40,000	\$33,000	
31	Project Care Free Clinic: Clinic Operations	\$20,000	\$15,000	
32	Quad City Food Shelf: Food Shelf Operations	\$13,520	\$13,000	
33	Range Transitional Housing: Homeless Services	\$40,000	\$40,000	
34	Salvation Army: Melting Pot Meals Program	\$17,000	\$17,000	
35	Salvation Army: Virginia Supper Club	\$18,000	\$17,000	
36	Sexual Assault Program: Youth Outreach Services	\$23,500	\$23,000	
37	United Way: Buddy Backpack Program	\$30,000	\$18,000	
38	United Way: Comforts of Home Program	\$10,000	-	
1.0	Public Service Total	\$312,720	\$260,000	
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# Trail Grant Programs – State of Minnesota CERTIFICATION FORM

#### For all administrators of public lands crossed/utilized in the proposed project

"I agree with plans to develop the proposed trail linkage on land administered by my agency, and I will cooperate in seeking more formal authorization"

NAME:*		
	Timothy S. Tomsail	
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	Chair Man	
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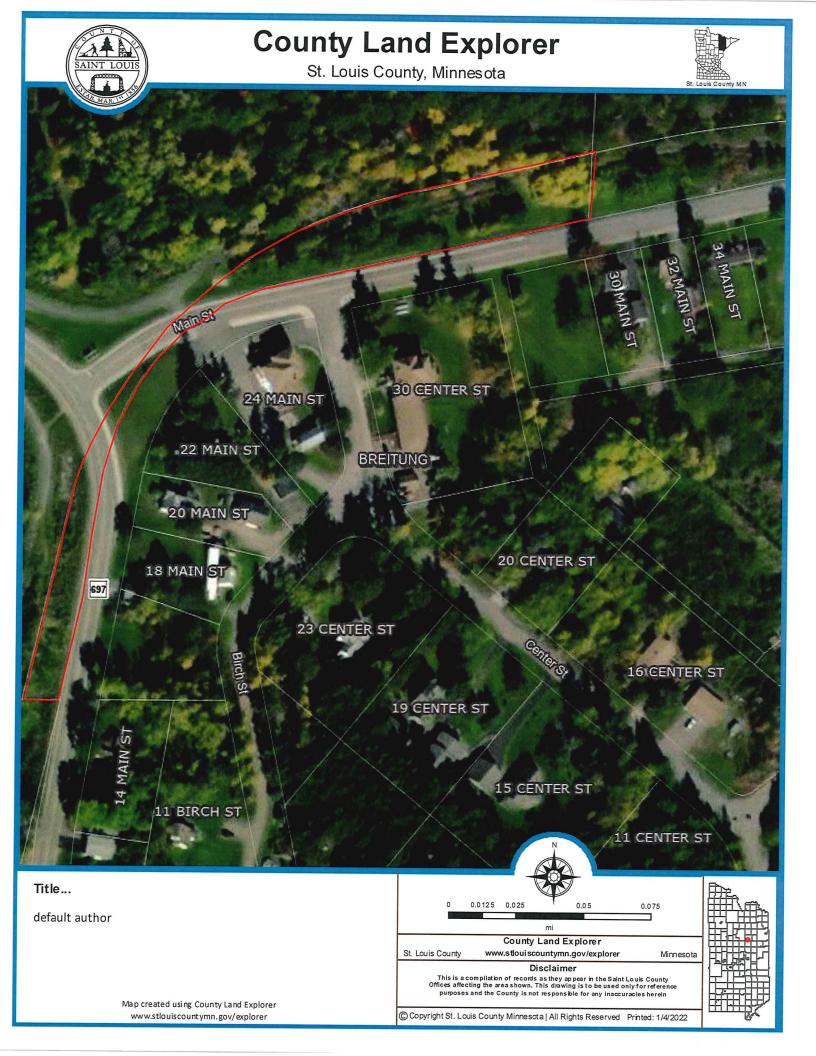
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NAME:*	
TITLE:	
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DATE:	
SIGNATURE:	

(Add additional certification blocks as necessary for this project)

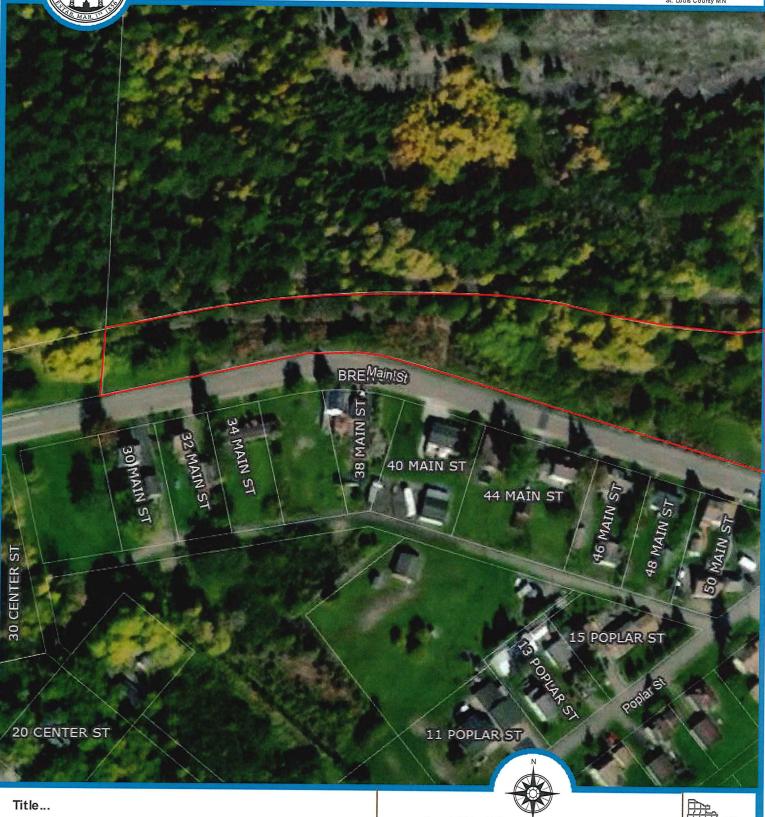
<sup>\*</sup>For highway rights-of-way administered by Mn/DOT contact Debra Anderson within the Metropolitan Area at (651) 234-7551. Throughout Greater Minnesota contact either the Preliminary Design Engineer or the Regional Transportation Planning Coordinator within the Mn/DOT District impacted by the proposal.



## **County Land Explorer**

St. Louis County, Minnesota





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County Land Explorer

St. Louis County www.stlouiscountymn.gov/explorer Minnesota

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## ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT STAFF REPORT Case: 6297

**INSPECTION DATE: 11/2021** 

**REPORT DATE:1/24/2022** 

MEETING DATE: 2/10/22

## APPLICANT INFORMATION

**APPLICANT NAME:** Mary Batinich

APPLICANT ADDRESS: P.O. Box 871, Tower, MN 55790

OWNER NAME:

(IF DIFFERENT THAN ABOVE)

SITE ADDRESS: 30 Center Street, Soudan, MN 55782

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot Two (2) and the South 40.70 feet of Lot One (1), Block Seven (7), Plat of SOUDAN,

S28, T62N, R15W (Breitung)

PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN): 270-0110-00360

**VARIANCE REQUEST:** The applicant is requesting relief from St. Louis County Zoning Ordinance 62,

Article III, Section 3.2, to allow an addition at a reduced road centerline setback.

**PROPOSAL DETAILS:** The applicant is proposing to construct a 25' x 26' addition to an existing accessory structure. The addition will not meet the required 48 foot centerline setback as the applicant is proposing a 38 foot setback. The structure is currently a garage, and the proposed addition will include living space, changing the use of the structure to a principal dwelling. A lot line adjustment was done between the subject parcel and the adjoining parcel in 2021, but has yet to be recorded.

## PARCEL AND SITE INFORMATION

ROAD ACCESS NAME/NUMBER: Center St

ROAD FUNCTIONAL CLASS: Local

LAKE NAME: N/A

LAKE CLASSIFICATION: N/A

**RIVER NAME: N/A** 

RIVER CLASSIFICATION: N/A

**DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT ON PARCEL:** There is currently an accessory structure on the parcel.

**ZONE DISTRICT:** RES 12

**PARCEL ACREAGE:** Approximately 0.45 ACRES

**LOT WIDTH: 176 FEET** 

FEET OF ROAD FRONTAGE: 178 FEET

FEET OF SHORELINE FRONTAGE: N/A

## PARCEL AND SITE INFORMATION

VEGETATIVE COVER/SCREENING: The parcel has very little screening from Center Street.

**TOPOGRAPHY:** The parcel is relatively flat with 6 feet of elevation change.

FLOODPLAIN ISSUES: N/A

WETLAND ISSUES: N/A

### **FACTS AND FINDINGS**

#### A. Official Controls:

- 1. Zoning Ordinance 62 requires a 48 foot setback from the centerline of Center Street. Center Street is a residential street in Soudan.
- 2. St. Louis County Comprehensive Land Use Plan states Goal LU-3: Improve the integrity of the county's planning-related regulation by minimizing and improving management of nonconformities.
- 3. Objective LU-3.1 of the Comprehensive Land Use is to base variance decisions on uniform approval criterion to ensure all applications are treated equitably, that community health and safety is protected, and that the overall character of a given area is preserved.

### **B. Practical Difficulty:**

- 1. The existing structure conforms to the 48 foot centerline setback. The proposed living space addition will be setback 38 feet from the centerline.
- 2. Center Street is a local road within the Plat of Soudan that is primarily used solely by the residents within the neighborhood. The Plat of Soudan is a unique area that is similar to municipal areas in the county and as such may warrant a different setback requirement than other local county roads.
- 3. The addition could, however, be adjusted to meet the required setback.

## C. Essential Character of the Locality:

- 1. Twelve variances have been approved, in the Plat of Soudan for reduced centerline setbacks.
- 2. The 48 foot road centerline setback may not make sense for the Plat of Soudan as a majority of the existing structures do not conform to this setback.

### D. Other Factor(s):

- 1. A lot line adjustment was approved in 2021 to separate the existing garage from the business on the adjoining parcel to the north.
- 2. Minnesota Power has submitted a letter stating the overhead powerlines in this location could be adjusted to accommodate for the proposed addition.
- 3. The Soudan Sanitary District has signed off on the proposal.

See attachments: 1. Zoning/location map 2. Air photo 3. Site sketch 4. Project picture (if applicable) 5. Other pertinent pictures or maps

## **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL OF A VARIANCE**

- 1. Is the variance request in harmony with the general purpose and intent of official controls?
- 2. Has a practical difficulty been demonstrated in complying with the official controls?
- 3. Will the variance alter the essential character of the locality?
- 4. What, if any, other factors should be taken into consideration on this case?

## CONDITIONS

Conditions that may mitigate the variance to allow an addition to a structure resulting in a reduced setback of 38 feet from the centerline of Center Street as proposed, include but are not limited to:

The following condition(s) shall apply:

- 1. The proposal shall adhere to all local, state, and federal regulations.
- 2. The parcel review shall be recorded prior to issuance of land use permit.



## Saint Louis County

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Matthew E. Johnson Director

January 25, 2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT WILL HOLD A HYBRID VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON PUBLIC HEARING ON <u>THURSDAY</u>, <u>FEBRUARY 10, 2022 AT 12:15 PM</u>

The St. Louis County Board of Adjustment will conduct <u>a hybrid virtual and in-person</u> public hearing on **Thursday**, **February 10**, **2022**, at the Government Services Center, 201 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue West, Virginia, MN, regarding the following:

THE APPLICANT IS: Mary Batinich, P.O. Box 871, Tower, MN 55790

SITE ADDRESS OF VARIANCE: 30 Center Street, Soudan, MN 55782

The applicant is requesting a variance from St. Louis County Zoning Ordinance 62, Article III, Section 3.2, to allow an addition at a reduced road centerline setback.

<u>The property in question is legally described as</u>: Lot Two (2) and the South 40.70 feet of Lot One (1), Block Seven (7), Plat of SOUDAN, S28, T62N, R15W (Breitung).

You are being sent this notice because you are a property owner within the required notification area of the proposal. There is no need to answer this notice if you have no interest in this case.

\*\*\*This meeting will be open to the public with social distancing measures in place. \*\*\*

The meeting will be open to the public and live streamed via WebEx, giving the public the opportunity to watch and listen, and even speak to the Board of Adjustment. Please also have the option to listen to the meeting live via telephone. For more information on how to view or participate in the public hearing, please visit the county website at <a href="https://www.stlouiscountymn.gov/departments-a-z/planning-development/boards-committees">www.stlouiscountymn.gov/departments-a-z/planning-development/boards-committees</a>.

If you have any questions, please contact Jenny Bourbonais, St. Louis County Land Use Manager, at <a href="mailto:bourbonaisi@stlouiscountymn.gov">bourbonaisi@stlouiscountymn.gov</a>.

Citizens can submit public comments relating to the public hearing using one of the following

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methods:

1. **Preferred method**: Email your comments to Jenny Bourbonais, St. Louis County Land Use Manager, at <a href="mailto:bourbonaisj@stlouiscountymn.gov">bourbonaisj@stlouiscountymn.gov</a>. Emails must be received by noon on Monday, February 7, 2022, in order to be presented to the Board of Adjustment and viewed online.

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3. Provide testimony in person the day of the hearing. It is requested that you contact our office if you anticipate in-person attendance so that we may ensure social distancing measures.

4. You will also have the opportunity to raise your "virtual hand" while utilizing the WebEx software during the public hearing. To learn more about WebEx, please visit www.webex.com.

Please be advised that the Board of Adjustment may limit testimony at the hearing to five minutes. If you have lengthy testimony to provide, it may be beneficial to provide a letter or email in writing prior to the hearing for Board of Adjustment consideration.

Additional instructions on how to join the meeting, along with meeting agendas, presentation materials, staff reports and written comments (submitted on time) will be available online at <a href="https://www.stlouiscountymn.gov/departments-a-z/planning-development/boards-committees">https://www.stlouiscountymn.gov/departments-a-z/planning-development/boards-committees</a>. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Stephen Erickson, Planner
cc. Clerk, Town of Breitung (via email: <u>clerk@breitungtownship.org</u> )
**In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, those requiring accommodation for this meeting should notify the Planning Department 72 hours prior to the meeting at (218) 749-7103**

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## clerk@breitungtownship.org

From:Sarah Carling <sarah.carling@cedausa.com>Sent:Wednesday, December 29, 2021 2:40 PMTo:Sarah Carling; Megan Christianson; Beth Pierce

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Subject: Northern Minnesota Historical Mine Tour Progress Update

#### Good Afternoon,

I hope this email finds you well and that you have had a great start to your extended holiday celebration.

I wanted to take a moment to share an update on the progress of the Northern Minnesota Historical Mine Tour. Below you will find updated progress information as well as identified goals we have set to try and achieve for 2022. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

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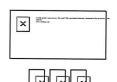


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Thank you and we hope you have a great New Year! We look forward to continuing to work with you to support your community in 2022! Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

## Regards,



Sarah Carling

Community and Business Development Specialist

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Attachments: Mine Tour Budget.png

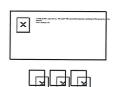
Hi there,

To those who have a difficult time viewing the Budget image I have also attached it to this email.

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Item	vendor	Prop Cost	Donation	Cost
ESRI Mapping	ARDC	\$ 7,400.00	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 3,700.00
Videography/Photography	TBD	\$ 1,350.00	39	\$ 52,650.00
Interpretive Signage 1200 @ 30	TBD	\$ 1,750.00	44	\$ 77,000.00
Print material	TBD	\$10,000		\$ 10,000.00
Marketing Campaign	Beth/Megan	\$100,000.00		\$120,000.00
Voice over for video		\$ 230.00	31	\$ 7,130.00
Google Mapping	Megan Christianson	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -
Est Total Cost Phase 1				\$270,480.00
Way Finding Signs 30*1000x2 (Phase 2)	MNDot	\$ 1,000.00	90	\$ 90,000.00
Comm way signs \$30* 100 (Ph 2)	private TBD signs	\$ 30.00	150	\$ 4,500.00
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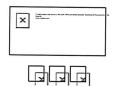
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Matthew E. Johnson Director

DATE:

January 4, 2022

TO:

Town of Breitung

Via email: <u>clerk@breitungtownship.org</u>

FROM:

Stephen Erickson, Planner

SUBJECT:

DECISION OF THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Following is a brief summary of the decision from your conditional use hearing held Thursday, December 9, 2021. You will be receiving the formal, signed and notarized Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Decision once the Board has formally approved them, which will be in approximately one month.

## Town of Breitung - S33, T62N, R15W (Breitung)

Motion to forward the proposal to the County Board with the recommendation of approval for a zoning map amendment involving Section 33 of T62N, R15W. The proposed zoning change is from RES-11 to MU-4. This is based on the following staff facts and findings:

#### A. Plans and Official Controls:

- 1. St. Louis County Zoning Ordinance 62, Article VIII, 8.7 C., requires a public hearing for proposed zoning map amendments.
- 2. The existing Residential (RES)-11 zoning is not consistent with the zoning in the surrounding area. Residential zoning is intended to be used in areas with extensive or potential for extensive residential development. Residential districts restrict non-residential uses. Since 2002, no extensive residential development has occurred.
- 3. Multiple Use is intended to accommodate a wide range of uses, if properly sited, in the rural areas of St. Louis County, due to the low density of development. Multiple Use zoning is more consistent with the surrounding area and accommodates both residential and non-residential uses.
- 4. The proposed zoning will be consistent with St. Louis County Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

## B. Zoning:

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- 1. The existing zoning around the subject parcel is Multiple Use (MU)-4, Forest and Agriculture Management (FAM)-3, and RES-3 along the East Two River. The East Two River is classified as a Trout Stream and all Trout Steams have a 300-foot Residential zoning buffer.
- 2. Residential zone districts are intended to provide a residential living environment and where non-residential uses are restricted.
- 3. The current proposal by the township is to only rezone a portion of what was rezoned in 2002.
- 4. The parcels were previously zoned FAM-3 prior to being rezoned to RES-11 in 2002.
- 5. The proposed zoning will not be spot zoning, which is zoning to discriminate in favor of one lot or parcel out of harmony with surrounding lots or parcels and the comprehensive or land use plan and without benefit to the community. Surrounding and adjacent properties are zoned Multiple Use and the subject property to be rezoned will be in harmony with the surrounding area.

#### C. Public Need:

- 1. The city of Tower is approximately one-half mile from the proposal.
- 2. The parcels were originally rezoned for residential development that was never constructed.
- 3. Breitung Township held a public meeting to discuss the rezoning on December 2, 2021, to gather further public information.
- 4. The township has indicated the rezoning would allow for a future use that will require a Conditional Use Permit.
- 5. The township has indicated the public need for the rezoning to allow for future use of the property for a non-residential development.
- 6. There exists a clear public need for and benefit from additional zoning of the type proposed, which shall be above and beyond any benefit or convenience to the landowner.

### D. Public Interest:

- 1. The surrounding area is mostly forested vacant land.
- 2. A portion of the property proposed to be rezoned contains wetlands; a wetland delineation has been submitted by the applicant.
- 3. The surrounding area is mostly vacant land. The Tower/Soudan water tower is on the adjoining parcel to the north.
- 4. The parcel is located within the Forest and Agriculture district of the St. Louis County Comprehensive Land Use Plan as these areas are intended primarily for forest and/or agriculture uses.
- 5. The public interest would be best served by rezoning the property in question rather than other property in the community.

### E. Other Factors:

- 1. Change in zoning to Multiple Use is consistent with what previously existed prior to being changed to RES-11 in 2002.
- 2. The rezoning will allow for a future use that would require a Conditional Use Permit, as well as other non-residential uses consistent with the area.

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In Favor: Coombe, Filipovich, Manick, Nelson, Pollock, Skraba, Svatos, Werschay - 8

Opposed: None - 0

## **Motion carries 8-0**

If your application for a conditional use was approved, keep in mind that you cannot begin your construction project until your Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and/or Sewage Treatment System Permit has been paid for and issued (these fees are in addition to the CUP fee you already paid).

There may be items listed as conditions of your CUP that you may have to accomplish prior to the permit(s) being issued. If you have any questions, please contact this Department in Virginia at the number shown below.

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## Resolution of the

## **Board of County Commissioners**

St. Louis County, Minnesota Adopted on: January 25, 2022 Resolution No. 22-77 Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

## Amend Zoning Ordinance No. 62, Zoning Map (Town of Breitung)

WHEREAS, The Town of Breitung initiated a zoning map amendment to rezone the SW ¼ of SE ¼, Section 33, Township 62 North, Range 15 West, Town of Breitung; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Planning Commission, on December 9, 2021, held a public hearing to consider amending the zoning map; and

WHEREAS, Following the public hearing, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the proposed amendment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board amends Ordinance 62 to rezone the SW ¼ of SE ¼, Section 33, Township 62 North, Range 15 West, Town of Breitung, from RES-11 to MU-4.

RESOLVED FURTHER, This zoning change will be effective immediately upon County Board approval.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:

Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Grimm, Musolf, Nelson and Chair McDonald – 6

Nays - None

Absent - Commissioner Jugovich - 1

#### STATE OF MINNESOTA

Office of County Auditor, ss. County of St. Louis

I, NANCY NILSEN, Auditor of the County of St. Louis, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in my office on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of January, A.D. 2022, and that this is a true and correct copy.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Duluth, Minnesota, this 25th day of January, A.D., 2022.

NANCY NILSEN, COUNTY AUDITOR

By:

Clerk of the County Board/Deputy Auditor



#### LIABILITY COVERAGE - WAIVER FORM

Members who obtain liability coverage through the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust (LMCIT) must complete and return this form to LMCIT before the member's effective date of coverage. Return completed form to your underwriter or email to pstech@lmc.org.

The decision to waive or not waive the statutory tort limits must be made annually by the member's governing body, in consultation with its attorney if necessary.

Members who obtain liability coverage from LMCIT must decide whether to waive the statutory tort liability limits to the extent of the coverage purchased. The decision has the following effects:

- If the member does not waive the statutory tort limits, an individual claimant could recover no more than \$500,000 on any claim to which the statutory tort limits apply. The total all claimants could recover for a single occurrence to which the statutory tort limits apply would be limited to \$1,500,000. These statutory tort limits would apply regardless of whether the member purchases the optional LMCIT excess liability coverage.
- If the member waives the statutory tort limits and does not purchase excess liability coverage, a single claimant could recover up to \$2,000,000 for a single occurrence (under the waive option, the tort cap liability limits are only waived to the extent of the member's liability coverage limits, and the LMCIT per occurrence limit is \$2,000,000). The total all claimants could recover for a single occurrence to which the statutory tort limits apply would also be limited to \$2,000,000, regardless of the number of claimants.
- If the member waives the statutory tort limits and purchases excess liability coverage, a single claimant could potentially recover an amount up to the limit of the coverage purchased. The total all claimants could recover for a single occurrence to which the statutory tort limits apply would also be limited to the amount of coverage purchased, regardless of the number of claimants.

Claims to which the statutory municipal tort limits do not apply are not affected by this decision.

LMCIT Member Name:
Check one:  The member DOES NOT WAIVE the monetary limits on municipal tort liability established by Minn.  Stat. § 466.04.
The member WAIVES the monetary limits on municipal tort liability established by Minn. Stat. § 466.04, to the extent of the limits of the liability coverage obtained from LMCIT.
Date of member's governing body meeting:
Signature: Position:



## Tower~Soudan Historical Society 404 Pine St. P.O. Box 465, Tower, MN 55790

www.towersoudanhs.org

email: towersoudanhs@gmail.com

January 19, 2022

Breitung Town Board P.O. Box 366 Soudan, MN 55782

Dear Town Board,

The Tower-Soudan Historical Society (TSHS) continues to raise funds to restore the Historic Fire Hall located at 504 Main Street in Tower. TSHS purchased the building in December 2015 with financial support of the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board. Construction documents were completed in 2017 and updated by historic architect MacDonald and Mack Architects, who is overseeing the entire project.

Our Historic Fire Hall fund raising campaign kicked off in 2018. In 2019, fire hall tours and traveling exhibits from St. Louis County Historical Society attracted hundreds to the fire hall. Covid-19 negatively impacted our 2020 fund raising events but allowed us time to plan for the future. Our plan is to develop it as a History Education Center as well as for educational events, vintage sales, pop-up dining and community events. Many rehabilitation phases are needed to achieve the plan. We have raised over \$55,000 in private donations since 2018, and received over \$588,000 in grants since 2015.

Breitung Township contributed \$500 to the fire hall restoration project in 2018. Considerable progress has been made since with the original exterior doors and windows on Main Street restored in 2019. The roof was replaced in 2021. TSHS has received all the funds to rehab and repair the exterior masonry planned for summer 2022. Future phases include interior masonry rehabilitation, heating and ventilation, ADA restrooms, electrical system upgrade, and interior restoration.

Our plan for 2022 also includes finishing the building addition on the south side of the fire hall to install two ADA restrooms, complete the storage room and utility room and the addition will be sided. The electric service panel will be relocated to the utility room along with other electrical upgrades in the addition. Restrooms will enable TSHS to utilize the fire hall for more events. We are requesting \$1,000 from the Township as a contribution to help with the funding gap for this project.

Restoring the Historic Fire Hall enhances its functionality and returns it back to active use for a public purpose. The 1891 Ahrens steam-powered fire engine, which has been in city storage for decades, will be a featured showpiece. The Fire Hall will be developed as a year-round venue for people to learn about Tower and Soudan's central role in developing the Vermilion Range and iron ore mining industry that has had a

lasting impact on our region and helped to shape our cultural identity.

The Tower-Soudan Historical Society plans to launch an Interpretive Sign Project to spread the rich history of Tower and Soudan. Through the use of multiple educational signs throughout the community, members of the community and visitors will learn about Tower and Breitung's social history. The project will strengthen awareness and build community pride in local heritage.

We would like to partner with Breitung Township with TSHS volunteers researching and writing the narrative copy for sites of historical or local significance. Grants for the interpretive signs would be written at no cost to the Township. Breitung would select topics or sites, e.g., Soudan's Old Hospital; Oliver Mining Company Headquarters (currently SOS); history of the Noon/9:00 curfew whistle; McKinley Park; Soudan School site; Brick Pond, and others that bring attention to Soudan's history and identity. We wish to further discuss this opportunity to partner with Breitung in the near future.

Your support and consideration of our \$1,000 request for the ADA restrooms project would be very much appreciated.

Regards,

Nancy Larson

President, Tower-Soudan Historical Society

## 2022 Breitung Fire and Rescue Recommendations

## 01-15-2022

## Fire Department

Fire Chief-Trevor Banks

(previous Steve Burgess)

Pay to remain the same as 2021-\$425/mo.

Assistant Chief-Matt Tuchel

(same)

Pay to remain the same as 2021-\$375/mo.

Captain-Doug Carter

(previous Trevor Banks)

Pay to remain the same as 2021-\$250/mo.

Lieutenant-Lance Dougherty

(previous Matt Tomsich)

Pay to remain the same as 2021-\$200/mo.

Training Officers(s)-Steve Burgess & Cade Gornick

(previous Lance Dougherty)

Would request an increase in pay from \$350/mo. to \$400/mo. to Be split between the (2) training officers. Each to receive \$200/mo.

## **Relief Association**

All members and pay are requested to stay the same as 2021

President-Matt Lenci \$100/yr.

Vice President-Ross Swanson \$50/yr.

Secretary-Doug Carter \$200/yr.

Treasurer-Matt Tomsich \$599/yr.

## clerk@breitungtownship.org

From:

gdusty@frontiernet.net

Sent:

Tuesday, January 25, 2022 7:43 PM

To:

Dianna Sunsdahl

Subject:

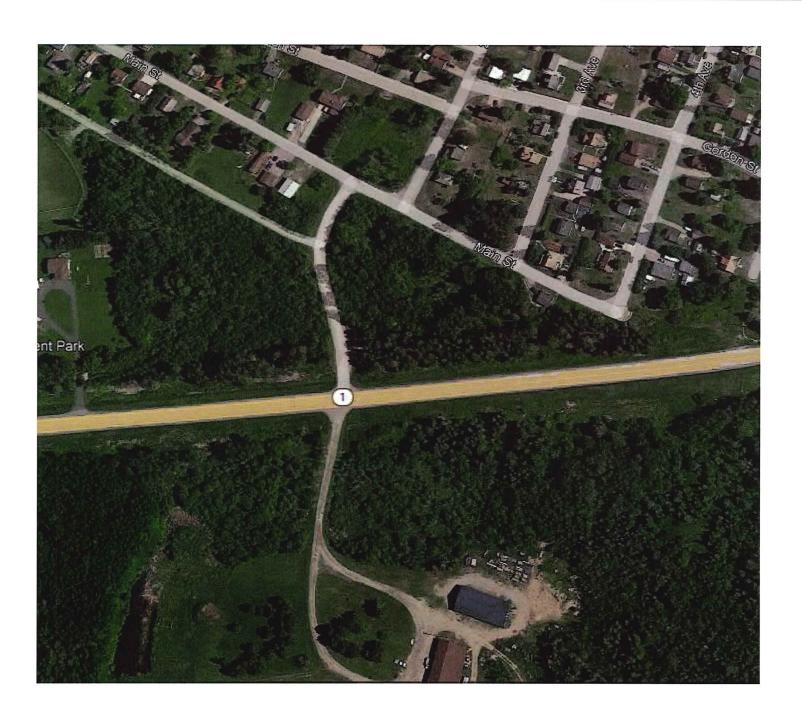
Re: Spring Road, Soudan

For Thursdays meeting, Greg

On Monday, January 24, 2022, 01:10:09 PM CST, Hill, Duane (DOT) <duane.hill@state.mn.us> wrote:

Hi Jim,

I received a phone call from Greg Dostart (218) 248-0648 about a township road project. This year they will be paving Spring Road in Soudan. Wondering if state would put in bypass lane and turn. I told Greg that MnDOT would typically review safety improvements when we do resurfacing. Would it be possible to give the Township board an indication as to whether this intersection meets warrants for right turn lane and or bypass lane by their meeting on Thursday?



Duane R. Hill

District Engineer | District One

## Minnesota Department of Transportation

1123 Mesaba Avenue

Duluth, Minnesota 55811

O: 218-725-2704

C: 218-348-9921

## USE OF FORCE AND DEADLY FORCE MODEL POLICY MN STAT 626.8452

#### 1) PURPOSE

It is the policy of the Breitung Police Department to provide officers with guidelines for the use of force and deadly force in accordance with:

MN STAT 626.8452 DEADLY FORCE AND FIREARMS USE;
POLICIES AND INSTRUCTION REQUIRED;
MN STAT 626.8475 DUTY TO INTERCEDE AND REPORT;
MN STAT 609.06 AUTHORIZED USE OF FORCE;
MN STAT 609.065 JUSTIFIABLE TAKING OF LIFE; and
MN STAT 609.066 AUTHORIZED USE OF FORCE BY PEACE OFFICERS.

### 2) POLICY

It is the policy of this law enforcement agency to ensure officers respect the sanctity of human life when making decisions regarding use of force. Sworn law enforcement officers have been granted the extraordinary authority to use force when necessary to accomplish lawful ends. Officers shall treat everyone with dignity and without prejudice and use only the force that is objectively reasonable to effectively bring an incident under control, while protecting the safety of others and the officer.

Officers shall use only that amount of force that reasonably appears necessary given the facts and circumstances perceived by the officer at the time of the event to accomplish a legitimate law enforcement purpose.

Officers should exercise special care when interacting with individuals with known physical, mental health, developmental, or intellectual disabilities as an individual's disability may affect the individual's ability to understand or comply with commands from peace officers.

The decision by an officer to use force or deadly force shall be evaluated from the perspective of a reasonable officer in the same situation, based on the totality of the circumstances known to or perceived by the officer at the time, rather than with the benefit of hindsight, and that the totality of the circumstances shall account for occasions when officers may be forced to make quick judgments about using such force.

This policy is to be reviewed annually and any questions or concerns should be addressed to the immediate supervisor for clarification.

This policy applies to all licensed peace officers and part-time peace officers engaged in the discharge of official duties:

Section (4) Procedure, paragraphs (g.1-2), are effective March 1, 2021 and thereafter.

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### 3) DEFINITIONS

- a) Bodily Harm: Physical pain or injury.
- b) Great Bodily Harm: Bodily injury which creates a high probability of death, or which causes serious, permanent disfigurement, or which causes a permanent or protracted loss or impairment of the function of any bodily member or organ or other serious bodily harm.
- c) Deadly Force: Force used by an officer that the officer knows, or reasonably should know, creates a substantial risk of causing death or great bodily harm. The intentional discharge of a firearm in the direction of another person, or at a vehicle in which another person is believed to be, constitutes deadly force.
- d) De-Escalation: Taking action or communicating verbally or non-verbally during a potential force encounter in an attempt to stabilize the situation and reduce the immediacy of the threat so that more time, options, and resources can be called upon to resolve the situation without the use of force or with a reduction in the force necessary. De-escalation may include the use of such techniques as command presence, advisements, warnings, verbal persuasion, and tactical repositioning.
- e) Other Than Deadly Force: Force used by an officer that does not have the purpose of causing, nor create a substantial risk of causing, death or great bodily harm.
- f) Choke Hold: A method by which a person applies sufficient pressure to a person to make breathing difficult or impossible, and includes but is not limited to any pressure to the neck, throat, or windpipe that may prevent or hinder breathing, or reduce intake of air. Choke hold also means applying pressure to a person's neck on either side of the windpipe, but not to the windpipe itself, to stop the flow of blood to the brain via the carotid arteries.
- g) Authorized Device: A device an officer has received permission from the agency to carry and use in the discharge of that officer's duties, and for which the officer has:
  - a. obtained training in the technical, mechanical and physical aspects of the device; and
  - b. developed a knowledge and understanding of the law, rules and regulations regarding the use of such a device.

## 4) PROCEDURE

- a) General Provisions
  - 1. Use of physical force should be discontinued when resistance ceases or when the incident is under control.
  - 2. Physical force shall not be used against individuals in restraints, except as objectively reasonable to prevent their escape or prevent imminent bodily injury to the individual, the officer, or another person. In these situations, only the amount of force necessary to control the situation shall be used.
  - 3. Once the scene is safe and as soon as practical, an officer shall provide

appropriate medical care consistent with his or her training to any individual who has visible injuries, complains of being injured, or requests medical attention. This may include providing first aid, requesting emergency medical services, and/or arranging for transportation to an emergency medical facility.

4. All uses of force shall be documented and investigated pursuant to this agency's policies.

## b) Duty to Intercede

Regardless of tenure or rank, an officer must intercede when:

- a. present and observing another officer using force in violation of section 609.066, subdivision 2, or otherwise beyond that which is objectively reasonable under the circumstances: and
- b. physically or verbally able to do so

#### c) Duty to Report

An officer who observes another officer use force that exceeds the degree of force permitted by law has the duty to report the incident in writing within 24 hours to the chief law enforcement officer of the agency that employs the reporting officer.

#### d) De-escalation:

- 1. An officer shall use de-escalation techniques and other alternatives to higher levels of force consistent with their training whenever possible and appropriate before resorting to force and to reduce the need for force.
- 2. Whenever possible and when such delay will not compromise the safety of another or the officer and will not result in the destruction of evidence, escape of a suspect, or commission of a crime, an officer shall allow an individual time and opportunity to submit to verbal commands before force is used.

### e) Use of Other Than Deadly Force

- When de-escalation techniques are not effective or appropriate, an officer may consider the use of other than deadly force to control a non-compliant or actively resistant individual. An officer is authorized to use agency-approved other than deadly force techniques and issued equipment in the following circumstances:
  - a. effecting a lawful arrest; or
  - b. the execution of legal process; or
  - c. enforcing an order of the court; or
  - d. executing any other duty imposed upon the public officer by law; or
  - e. defense of self or another.

### f) Use of Certain Types of Force

1. Except in cases where deadly force is authorized as articulated in MN STAT.

609.066 to protect the peace officer or another from death or great bodily harm, officers are prohibited from using:

- a. Chokeholds.
- b. Tying all of a person's limbs together behind a person's back to render the person immobile, or;
- c. Securing a person in any way that results in transporting the person face down in a vehicle.
- 2. Less than lethal measures must be considered by the officer prior to applying these measures.

## g) Use of Deadly Force

- An officer is authorized to use deadly force if an objectively reasonable officer would believe, based on the totality of the circumstances known to the officer at the time and without the benefit of hindsight, that such force is necessary. Use of deadly force is justified when one or both of the following apply;
  - a. To protect the peace officer or another from death or great bodily harm, provided that the threat:
    - i. can be articulated with specificity;
    - ii. is reasonably likely to occur absent action by the law enforcement officer: and
    - iii. must be addressed through the use of deadly force without unreasonable delay; or
  - b. To effect the arrest or capture, or prevent the escape, of a person whom the peace officer knows or has reasonable grounds to believe has committed or attempted to commit a felony and the officer reasonably believes that the person will cause death or great bodily harm to another person under the threat criteria in paragraph (a), items (i) to (iii), unless immediately apprehended.
- 2. An officer shall not use deadly force against a person based on the danger the person poses to self if an objectively reasonable officer would believe, based on the totality of the circumstances known to the officer at the time and without the benefit of hindsight, that the person does not pose a threat of death or great bodily harm to the peace officer or to another under the threat criteria in paragraph (1a), items (i) to (iii).
- 3. Where feasible, the officer shall identify themselves as a law enforcement officer and warn of his or her intent to use deadly force.
- 4. In cases where deadly force is authorized, less than lethal measures must be considered first by the officer.

## h) Training

- 1. All officers shall receive training, at least annually, on this agency's use of force policy and related legal updates.
- 2. In addition, training shall be provided on a regular and periodic basis and designed to
  - a. Provide techniques for the use of and reinforce the importance of deescalation
  - b. Simulate actual shooting situations and conditions; and
  - c. Enhance officers' discretion and judgement in using other than deadly force in accordance with this policy.
- 3. Before being authorized to carry a firearm all officers shall receive training and instruction with regard to the proper use of deadly force and to the agency's policies and State statutes with regard to such force. Such training and instruction shall continue on an annual basis.
- 4. Before carrying an authorized device all officers shall receive training and instruction in the use of the device including training as it relates to its use in deadly force and/or other than deadly force situations. Such training and instruction shall continue on an annual basis.
- Officers will carry and use only authorized devices unless circumstances exist
  which pose an immediate threat to the safety of the public or the officer
  requiring the use of a device or object that has not been authorized to counter
  such a threat.
- 6. With agency approval officers may modify, alter or cause to be altered an authorized device in their possession or control.

## i) Recordkeeping Requirements

The chief law enforcement officer shall maintain records of the agency's compliance with use of force training requirements.

Chief David L. Daine

Chief Daniel L. Reing

## **Breitung Police Department**

Office Cleaning

Policy:

Everyone who is on shift shall work to keep the office in an orderly, tidy, manner. Once a week we will have custodial staff to help keep the office clean, pick up after yourself and make the job easier for everyone.

Chief Daniel Reing

1/10/21

## Breitung Police Department

Firearm Weapon Policy

## Duty weapon Policy:

In accordance with MN Statute 626.84,

It is the policy of this department that the officer's duty weapon on their person shall be one of the following specific calibers:

.40 caliber, .357, 9mm. or .38 caliber. Other such calibers that an officer may express to carry shall be given written approval from the Chief of Police.

The officers of this department will qualify with their firearms and squad firearms at least once a year per MN POST standards. Ammunition for qualifying and duty ammunition will be provided by the department.

## Off duty carry:

Officers shall be allowed to carry their firearms while off duty in compliance with MN statutes and MN POST requirements. The officers must qualify with this weapon during qualifying training, and notify the chief of police the caliber and type of firearm that they choose to carry.

Chief Daniel Reing Dul J Dy 4 186

1/6/2022

## Resolution 2022-01

## Breitung Township

Of St Louis County, Minnesota

## RESOLUTION DESIGNATING TOWNSHIP ELECTION HOURS

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WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes Section § 205.175, subo	d. 3 require the town board, as	
governing body of the Town of Breitung to post the Pol	lling Place and set voting hours fo	r
the township election.		
WHEREAS, the Breitung Township Community Center	clocated at 33 First Avenue,	
Soudan, Minnesota, 55782 is designated as the voting p	place.	
WHEREAS, the Breitung Township Election hours will	be from to 8:00pm on	
March 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2022.		
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the town b	ooard of Breitung Township,	
St Louis County, Minnesota does hereby designate election hours.	to 8:00pm as its township	
<b>BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED</b> , that the township notify $r\epsilon$	esidents of this designation by	
following the requirements of Minn. Stat. § 205.16.		
Adopted this 27 <sup>th</sup> day of January 2022.		
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Upon vote taken, the following voted: Chairman Tomsic Supervisor Dostert	ch, Supervisor Tekautz, and	
For:		
Against:		
By the Breitung Town Board	Attested to by	
Fown Chair-Tim Tomsich	Town Clerk-Dianna Sunsdahl	

## RESOLUTION 2022-02 BREITUNG TOWNSHIP of St. Louis County, MN Resolution Appointing 2022 Absentee Ballot Board

**Whereas**, Minnesota Statutes Section 203B.121, subd.1 requires the Town board, as governing body of the Town, to appoint a ballot board to process all absentee ballots returned to the Town clerk for the Township Election.

**Whereas,** the ballot board must consist of election judges trained in the handling of absentee ballots, or staff trained as election judges; and

Whereas, even though only two members are required to meet whenever an absentee ballot needs to be processed, the ballot board must consist of at least the same number of members as the minimum number of required election judges for the Town election, which pursuant to Minnesota Statues Section 204B.22 has been determined to be three. Whereas, the Town Board for the Town of Breitung has appointed its election judges for the 2022 Township of Breitung Local Election.

**Now Therefore Let It Be Resolved:** That the Town Board for the Town of Breitung hereby appoints the following election judges to serve as the ballot board required to perform all duties required in the processing of absentee ballots required under Minnesota Statutes Section 203B.121 and all other applicable statutes and rules:

Katy Popesh, Lori Sundeen-Tomsich, Valeda McDonald

**Be It Further Resolved**: That the Town Board of the Town of Breitung hereby authorizes any member of the ballot board to be compensated as required by Minnesota Statutes Section 203B.121, when said member performs any required duty of the ballot board.

Adopted by the Breitung Town Board, January 27th, 2022

Upon vote taken t	he following voted: Chairman	Tim Tomsich, Supervisor	· Chuck Tekautz, Supervisor
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For: Against:

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Town Chair-Tim Tomsich	Town Clerk-Dianna Sunsdahl
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## TOWNSHIP OF BREITUNG RESOLUTION NO. 2022-03

## STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS TOWNSHIP OF BREITUNG

## RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DONATIONS

WHEREAS, Breitung Township is authorized to accept and maintain donations of real and personal property pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 465.03 for the benefit of its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the following persons and entities have offered to contribute the donations set forth below to the township:

Name of Donor Donations Date
1. Emanuel & Judy Sunsdahl \$25.00 12/28/21

WHEREAS, the terms or conditions of the donations, if any, are as follows:

**Donation Number** 

**Terms or Conditions** 

1. Emanuel & Judy Sunsdahl

Police

WHEREAS, all such donations have been contributed to the township for the benefit of its citizens, as allowed by law; and

WHEREAS, The Township Board finds that it is appropriate to accept the donations offered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF BREITUNG TOWNSHIP, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA, AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The donations described above are accepted and shall be used in accordance with noted terms or conditions either alone or in cooperation with others, as allowed by law.
- 2. The town clerk is hereby directed to acknowledge to each donor the town's acceptance of the donor's donation.

Adopted by the Town Board of Breitung Township on January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Chairman Tim Tomsich, Supervisor Charles Tekautz, and Supervisor Gregory Dostert

Ayes: Nays:		
Approved: Chairperson	Attested: Clerk	
Timothy Tomsich – Chairman	— — Dianna Sunsdahl - Clerk	

# RESOLUTION APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES 2022-04

WHEREAS: Minnesota Statutes § 204B.21 allows Breitung Township to appoint election judges;

WHEREAS: Minnesota Statutes § 204B.19, subdivision 2 requires that an election judge (1) can read, write, and speak the English language, (2) is not the spouse, parent, child, or sibling of any election judge serving in the same precinct or any candidate of the election, (3) is not domiciled, either permanently or temporarily with any candidate at the election, or (4) is not a candidate in the election;

WHEREAS, the base number of required election judges for an election in Minnesota under Minnesota Statutes § 204B.22 has been determined to be a minimum of (4) Four for the precinct of BreitungTownship;

WHEREAS, the clerk recommends (1) One Housekeeper per shift to follow Polling Place Guidelines during the Covid-19 Pandemic as set out by the Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State;

WHEREAS, the clerk recommends election judges due to the anticipated voter turnout, election judge availability, and necessity of maintaining party balance at all times during the day; and

WHEREAS: the following list of judges fulfills the requirements listed in Minnesota Statutes § 204B.19, subdivision 2:

Valeda McDonald	Katy Popesh	Roberta Ames
Jorgine Gornick	Kathleen Zavodnick	Laurie Anderson
Jayne Sundeen	Lori Sundeen-Tomsich	Sally Turk

WHEREAS: under Minnesota Statutes § 204B.21, subdivision 2, a resolution is mandatory if the appointment of the election judge is within 25 days of the election in which the election judge will serve.

WHEREAS: 03 / 08 /2022 is the date of the election in which the election judge is to serve;

**Now, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**: the Town Board of <u>Breitung Township</u> hereby appoints the following election judges as eligible to serve in the Township Election on March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022, pending completion of their training and otherwise qualifying for the office:

Valeda McDonald	Katy Popesh	Roberta Ames
Jorgine Gornick	Kathleen Zavodnick	Laurie Anderson
Jayne Sundeen	Lori Sundeen-Tomsich	Sally Turk

<b>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED</b> : the Town Board of <u>Breitung Township</u> hereby authorizes any election judge to be compensated as required by Minnesota Statutes § 204B.3l, in an amount set by the Town Board at their regular hourly rates for the clerk and deputy clerk and at \$_15.00 per hour for all other trained election judges, which is not less than the prevailing Minnesota minimum wage, (plus meals the day of the election) :
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<b>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED</b> : the Town Board of <u>Breitung</u> Township hereby authorizes the Town Clerk to add additional election judges as needed and allowed by Minnesota Statutes § 204B.21.
Passed this 27th day of January , 2022
BY THE BREITUNG TOWN BOARD
Ayes:
Nayes:
Tim Tomsich, Town Board Chair
Attest:
Dianna Sunsdahl, Clerk