

# **Township of Breitung Regular Board Meeting 05-25-23 at 12:00pm. In Person Meeting at the Breitung Community Center**

## **Present In Person:**

**Board Members:** Chairman Tim Tomsich, Supervisor Chuck Tekautz, Supervisor Matt Tuchel, Clerk Dianna Sundahl, Treasurer Jorgine Gornick, Deputy Clerk Renee Pearson

**Public:** Daniel Reing-Police Chief, Stephanie Ukkola-Timberjay, Valeda McDonald, Daniel Wiire-Stuntz Bay Association, Tony Neari Goombaz Security Systems (left @ 1:25pm)

Call to Order @ 12:00pm by Chairman Tim Tomsich

## **Acceptance of Agenda**

Motion by Supervisor Tekautz to accept the agenda as presented

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

Motion Passed 3-0

## **Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Supervisor Tuchel to approve the minutes of the 05/11/2023 Special Board Meeting Minutes as presented

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

Motion passed 3-0

## **Approval of Treasurers Report**

Motion by Supervisor Tuchel to approve the April 2023 Treasurers Report as presented

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

Motion passed 3-0

## **Correspondence**

- League of MN Cities-\*Introduction to Race Equity \*Upcoming Events \*Legislative Recap
- Arrowhead Area Agency on Aging
- MAT-May 2023 Newsletter
- IRRR-\*Ranger May 3, \*EV Growth \*Rural Housing Projects \*Ranger May 17<sup>th</sup>
- Thank you from Daniel Reing

## **Public Input**

Stephanie Ukkola asked the Board about a pollinator garden, board stated as long as it wasn't a violation of the blight ordinance.

## **Reports**

- Police-See Attached. Board asked Chief Reing to move taser training to the back of the building next year, Chief Reing working on the summer schedule
- Fire-See Attached
- Road and Bridge-See Attached

- McKinley Park-Nothing to Report
- Recreation-Will not know about grant until the end of June
- Wastewater Board-Bonding Bill not approved for the Wastewater Project, will move forward with PFA funding. 1M loan and 1M plus in grants
- Ambulance Commission-No updates, Supervisor Tekautz attended in Supervisor Tuchel's absence

Motion by Supervisor Tuchel to accept reports as presented

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

Motion passed 3-0

## **Old Business:**

### **IRRR**

- Meeting with IRRR-see report. Supervisor Tuchel reported that the biggest difference in funding projects and seeking funds is everyone is looking for higher dollar projects.
- 2023 Infrastructure Project-Discussion to continue to seek funds, possibly tie another project with this and the 5-year plan to make it more attractive. Supervisor Tuchel will sit down with USDA and review the scope of the project

### **Broadband**

- CTC Quote for McKinley Park Guests and Quote for Increased internet speed-Discussion about quote from On Systems for 2 antennas on the building with approximately 14 poles and repeaters @ a cost of \$855.00. On Systems suggested bumping up internet speed to 200m @ a cost of an additional \$50.00 to original contract. Township can recoup costs next year in the rates system.

Motion by Supervisor Tuchel to approve the installation of wi-fi equipment for \$855.00, and increasing the internet speed at a monthly cost to the township of \$50.00.

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

Motion passed 3-0

Blight-Chief Reing stated the house on Jasper is looking better, but will follow up. Also reports will look further into the 2 houses on Superior St as well as Bill Johnsons house on the Junction Rd. Clerk Sunsdahl to send a blight letter to Bill Johnson. Supervisor Tuchel will review the bridge issue on Bill Johnsons property as well.

## **New Business**

### **Pay Bills as presented**

Motion by Supervisor Tuchel to pay bills as presented

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

Motion passed 3-0

### **Stuntz Bay**

- Bench @ Stuntz Bay-Dan Wiire in attendance for the Stuntz Bay association, received 2 donations for Stuntz Bay. The first is for bench in memory of Franklin Gornick. Discussion on where to put the bench, would like a concrete pad, and would like a removable bench. Some discussion if it could be placed on the dock, but also concern it may get used for purposes not intended for a bench. Consensus by the Board to have Maintenance Supervisor work with Dan on the best placement of the bench. 2<sup>nd</sup> donation by the Joe Zubert family was \$1000 towards the new dock. Zubert family can make plaques at their cost and would like one put up on each side of docks. Stuntz Bay Association has the lease to the landing. Maintenance/Chairman Tomsich and Dan Wiire will look at a good option for all.
- Traffic Control-Dan Wiire asking if Chief Reing can ticket on DNR Property as people are parking in "No Parking" Areas, and not everyone has a Stuntz Bay pass. Stuntz Bay Association to put out reminders to buy passes. The Township has a map of property and Chairman Tomsich will locate to review property lines. Trail cams to be put up, but last years break ins were from the lake side, not the road side.

#### Fire Department

- Request for SCBA-The Fire and Rescue Department was unsuccessful in securing FEMA grant funding last year for this, but equipment out of date.

Motion by Supervisor Tekautz to approve purchasing the new SCBA as presented 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chairman Tomsich

Motion passed 2-0

Supervisor Tuchel abstain due to possible conflict of interest and being on the Fire and Rescue Department

#### Police Department

- Impounded Vehicle/2015 KIA Truck -Forms submitted to the State, awaiting approval
- Goombaz Security Proposal-Original quote was for 1 Outside camera and 4 inside cameras, additional quote for 3 more outside cameras on the Police Building, could not give a price on Community Center as he did not know how the township wanted it laid out. After Tony Neari's presentation on the camera's, he stated that "new installation" needed to be compliant with new federal regulations. Chief Reing stated best security would be 3 inside camera's and 2 outside cameras.

Motion by Supervisor Tuchel to request another quote from Goombaz for 3 interior cameras and 2 exterior cameras and to apply for the OSHA 10K 50/50 grant for these cameras 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Tekautz

Motion passed 3-0

#### Waiver of Fees for Shara Dostert Event

Motion by Supervisor Tuchel to waive fee for Shara Dostert Event due to double booking 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Tekautz

Motion passed 3-0

#### Dust Control

Motion by Supervisor Tuchel to have Maintenance Supervisor arrange for Dust Control

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

Motion passed 3-0

Request for Propane Bids

Motion by Supervisor Tuchel to request sealed bids from the local propane companies, both 1 and 2-year contracts to be open at the July 2023 Regular Board Meeting

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

Motion passed 3-0

Soudan Surface Story Tour-Sign Request

Motion by Supervisor Tuchel to allow the State Park to place signs as per their suggestion on the Soudan Entrance signs with cost to be pair for by the State Park.

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

Motion passed 3-0

Meet your Supervisor

Consensus by the Board to participate in “Meet your Councilor/Supervisor” at Tower’s Gathering Gallery. Calendar to be put out at a later date, waiting to see if the City of Tower is interested.

Resolution 2023-16 Certification of the 2024 Township Property Tax Levy

Motion by Chairman Tomsich to approve Resolution 2023-16 as presented

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

Motion passed 3-0

Resolution 2023-17 Accepting Donations

Motion by Supervisor Tuchel to approve Resolution 2023-17 as presented

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

Motion passed 3-0

**Next Regular Board Meeting**-Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 @ 12N Breitung Community Center

**Breitung Clean Up Days**-June 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**Adjourn**

Motion by Supervisor Tekautz to adjourn the meeting @ 1:38pm

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

Motion passed 3-0

Respectfully Submitted

Dianna Sunsdahl

Clerk, Breitung Township