

BREITUNG TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 10,2004

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Olson at 7:07 p.m.

Roll Call: Present; Trustee Gaudette, Clerk Coron, Supervisor Olson, Trustee Erickson
Absent; Trustee Wales(arriving at 7:17 p.m.), Treasurer Cahee, Trustee Dixon

Also Present: Superintendent, Steve Soltis & Attorney, Mike Hahner

Those in attendance gave Pledge to the Flag.

Public Comment: Start time: 7:08 p.m.
Finish time: 7:15 p.m.

Topics: -Skateboard Issue:
Angela Lake spoke against
Jacob Wildhagen spoke in favor
-Don Okler spoke regarding a water
line extension.

Motion by Clerk Coron, second by Trustee Dixon (changed to Erickson) to approve the Regular Board Meeting minutes held on April 26, 2004.

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Gaudette, second by Clerk Coron to approve the May 10, 2004 Agenda.

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Gaudette, second by Clerk Coron to approve the agreement between the Township and the Dickinson County Road Commission, in the amount of\$135,223.00, for the paving of the 2004 local roads as follows:

HOADLEY STREET
SOUTH JACKSON
MORIN STREET
LANSFORD DRIVE
MITCHELL STREET
SAGOLA STREET
KNIGHT STREET
BOYLE STREET

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

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Spring Clean up Committee Report

The committee feels that the cost to the Township for a spring clean up would be too high for the value received. Most residence are very responsible for their garbage. We contract with Great American Disposal for weekly garbage pick up, we collect compost the first Monday of each month from May through November and we also have the baler facility. The committee's recommendation is that the Township does not engage in a spring clean up at this time, but instead it is recommended that the township funds go toward hiring a part-time ordinance enforcement officer. Secondly to revise the current junk ordinance to allow this officer to write tickets for violations.

Motion by Trustee Erickson, second by Trustee Wales to postpone the hiring of an ordinance enforcement officer until the ordinance is revised so that it has more teeth to it. Once that is done we will decide what to do from there.

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Trustee Gaudette would like the investigation into what other townships are doing to continue. What are they doing in the way of revising their ordinances and how effective have they been? Also to continue to look into an ordinance enforcement officer with some cost projections.

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Trustee Erickson to proceed with the skateboard park getting costs of equipment, pavement, fencing, etc., whatever is needed for the project.

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Clerk Coron to receive and open the one bid for the well drilling.

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

KLEIMAN PUMP & WELL DRILLING \$83,270.00

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Trustee Erickson to postpone the acceptance of the well drilling bid until reviewed by Supervisor Olson, Superintendent Soltis and UP Engineering. To be brought back to the May 24th meeting.

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

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Dennis Larson of the American Legion Post 50 gave a brief presentation of their plans for a community wide event that will coincide with the dedication of the National World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C. on May 29, 2004. He also requested that the Board write a Resolution in support of their efforts which can be mailed to the American Legion on River Street in Iron Mountain.

Motion by Trustee Gaudette, second by Trustee Wales to prepare a Resolution of Support Honoring World War II Veterans and their survivors for the May 29th event.

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Trustee Gaudette to approve the Budget Amendment 3-2004 to transfer funds to pay on the 1996 water project loan on May 17, 2004. (See Attached)

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Superintendent Soltis informed the board that he was approached by Beth Waitrovich asking him to present the Michigan State University Citizen Planners Program. They plan to schedule a seminar in January 2005 in Harris, Michigan to be held on Saturdays. This would be for Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals. The planning of this January Seminar will start this August. Beth Waitrovich is wondering if we would commit to sending some of our commission members to these classes. The total cost for this four session seminar would be \$210. Supervisor Olson advised Superintendent Soltis to keep in contact with Beth Waitrovich as this develops.

Fire Report

Motion by Trustee Erickson, second by Trustee Wales to write a letter of support for State Senate Bills 905 & 906, to be sent to Senators Prusi, Casperson and Allen. The basis of these bills are to provide funding to fire departments for the purpose of training. The money would come from insurance companies and would be a minimum of \$3,000 per department.

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Erickson, second by Clerk Coron to approve Chief Iverson to attend the Fire Service Expo in Grand Rapids from Wednesday, June 23rd through Saturday, June 26, 2004. This would include 3 nights lodging at \$89 plus tax, \$9 per night for parking, \$100 registration fee, mileage and meals.

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

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Board Discretionary Time

-Bill Griffin will be here on May 24th at 6:00 p.m. to make a wellhead protection presentation to the residence of the township and to the board members. The public is welcome. This presentation will show how spills are filtered through into our water supply.

-Trustee Gaudette thanked the residence of our township for their input regarding the skateboard park.

-Supervisor Olson would like to continue looking into the sale of Township lots for residential building. There are foresters looking at the stumpage in the township. Should have a report on that at the next meeting.

Motion by Trustee Erickson, second by Clerk Coron to pay the bills totaling \$62,222.75

Ayes; Trustee Gaudette, Clerk Coron, Supervisor Olson, Trustee Erickson

Nay; Trustee Wales

Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Clerk Coron to adjourn the regular board meeting and open the Executive session to discuss a court case involving Aikins and the Tax Tribunal.

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Erickson, second by Trustee Gaudette to reopen the regular board meeting.

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

The regular board meeting was called back into session by Supervisor Olson at 8:29 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Trustees; Gaudette, Wales, Clerk Coron, Supervisor Olson and Trustee Erickson.

Absent: Trustee Erickson, Treasurer Cahee

Also Present: Attorney, Mike Hahner and Superintendent, Steve Soltis.

Motion by Trustee Erickson, second by Clerk Coron to adjourn the meeting

Vote: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Meeting declared adjourned by Supervisor Olson at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by, Samantha Coron, Breitung Township Clerk