

BREITUNG TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 11, 2006

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

Roll Call: Present: Trustees; Gaudette, Wales & Dixon, Clerk Coron, Treasurer Cahee & Supervisor Olson.
Absent: Trustee Erickson(arrived at 7:18 p.m.)

Also Present: Attorney, Mike Hahner and Superintendent, Perry Franzoi

Those in attendance gave pledge to the Flag.

Public Comment: Start: 7:02 p.m.
Finish: 7:05 p.m.

Topics: John Nekay, Lincoln Ave., Quinnesec; He is noticing that the truck traffic is getting back to normal. He also expressed that he feels the representation of the original complaint was turned around in the newspaper article. The concern was commercial truck traffic, not speed. He will continue to keep an eye on the situation and keep the board updated.

Motion by Clerk Coron, second by Trustee Wales to approve the November 27, 2006 Regular Board Meeting minutes. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Treasurer Cahee to approve the December 11, 2006 agenda. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Superintendent Franzoi recommends Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C. of Lansing, MI based on the experience of the firm in annexations, detachments, 425 agreements, the size of the firm and support staff, and location in relation to the Boundary Commission offices in Okemos. In conjunction with Mike Hahner and the firm of Peter W. Ryan, P.C. will provide the Township with efficient legal representation of through a potentially long and contentious process.

Motion by Treasurer Cahee, second by Trustee Wales to engage the services of the law firm Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C. of Lansing, MI to represent the Township in the annexation by Champion, Inc. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Three bids were received for the DPW insulation:

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| 1) Hometowne Lumber | \$1,434.21 |
| 2) Lofholm Lumber | \$1,497.75 |
| 3) Beaulier Lumber | \$1,623.75 |

It is Guy Forstrom's recommendation that we accept Hometowne's bid.

Motion by Treasurer Cahee, second by Trustee Wales to approve the Hometowne bid in the amount of \$1,434.21 for the DPW insulation. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Clerk Coron to appoint Dennis Charette, Bruce Rutter and Joyce Butsic to another three year term on the Township Board of Review. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Guy Forstrom has worked out a new Cemetery Fee Schedule in order to offset the operating costs. Just recently we had a weekend burial and a disinterment and the fees charged did not cover our costs.

Motion by Trustee Dixon, second by Treasurer Cahee to approve the new Cemetery Fee Schedule, effective January 1, 2006. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Clerk Coron to authorize the collection of the summer taxes for the ISD in the amount of \$4,000.00 and the Breitung Township Schools for the amount of \$14,000.00.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

Motion by Treasurer Cahee, second by Trustee Dixon to approve Bill Bailey to attend the Code Enforcement Seminar in Marquette, Michigan on December 19, 2006 with the registration fee of \$15, mileage, meals and wages. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Clerk Coron, second by Trustee Dixon to reschedule the December 25th meeting to Wednesday, December 27, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. Post accordingly. Ayes; Trustees; Dixon & Erickson, Supervisor Olson, Clerk Coron & Treasurer Cahee. Nays: Trustees; Gaudette & Wales. **Motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Gaudette, second by Trustee Dixon to authorize the bidding for a new operating system for our office computer network. Bids due by February 12, 2006. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Superintendent Report:

-Liability Insurance Proposals: We have received one proposal for liability insurance from the MML. We are still expecting a proposal from the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority and Burnham & Flower. We may need to schedule a special meeting to act on the proposals. There is typically a 30-day notice requirement for changing policies.

-Iron Mountain-Kingsford Joint Sewage Authority: We have received a letter from the Sewage Authority Board that our request to purchase capacity has been denied by the City of Iron Mountain. Since one member does not want to sell capacity, it is suggested that we request Ben Thirry of MDEQ Waste Water Division to attend a meeting to discuss the status of the IMK treatment plant and the options available to the Township for a wastewater treatment facility.

Motion by Treasurer Cahee, second by Trustee Gaudette to authorize the Superintendent to send letters to The City of Iron Mountain and The City of Kingsford requesting meetings to discuss the utility service on a customer basis. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

-Burnham & Flower will be here to discuss other Pension options on Wednesday, December 13, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

Board Discretionary Time: Supervisor Olson has heard there may be a petition going around asking the board to place street lights at every intersection in Quinnesec.

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Trustee Erickson to approve the bills totaling \$59,277.96.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Erickson, second by Trustee Wales to adjourn the meeting. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

The meeting was declared adjourned by Supervisor Olson at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by, Samantha Coron, Breitung Township Clerk