

**BREITUNG TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 26, 2007**

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

Roll Call: Present: Present: Trustees: Dixon, Erickson & Wales, Clerk Coron, Treasurer Cahee & Supervisor Olson.
Absent: Trustee Gaudette (excused)

Also Present: Attorney, Mike Hahner

Superintendent Franzoi absent due to illness.

Those in attendance gave pledge to the flag.

No citizens spoke during citizen's time.

Motion by Treasurer Cahee, second by Trustee Wales to approve the December 10, 2007 Regular Board Meeting minutes and the December 17, 2007 Special Board Meeting minutes with the correction of "8:55 p.m. Trustee Wales left for work" not walked out. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Treasurer Cahee, second by Trustee Wales to approve the December 26, 2007 Agenda with the addition of 7/c correction to 2008 Wages & Salaries. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

After a long discussion regarding our refuse collection, there was a consensus of the board to have Superintendent Franzoi send a letter of intent, as a sign of good-faith, to work out an agreement between the Township and GAD.

Motion by Clerk Coron, second by Treasurer Cahee to form a Refuse Collection Committee consisting of Supervisor Olson, Trustee Wales and Trustee Dixon. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Supervisor Olson stated that he is willing to meet with concerned citizens, individually or as a group, to discuss the upcoming changes to our garbage collection.

Motion by Treasurer Cahee, second by Clerk Coron to postpone the Great American Disposal contract until the January 14, 2008 Regular Board Meeting, with the letter of intent to be sent to GAD in the interim. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

The Utility Service Area was discussed between the Township Board and Randy Scott of Wilcox Professionals, as to what the next phase will be now that the Utility Agreement with Iron Mountain has been approved.

As Clerk Coron was loading the 2008 budget figures into the General Ledger, it was noticed a slight discrepancy in the Deputies salaries. The Deputies were approved at the Level I Clerical wage. We will need to approve the slight change with a board motion.

Motion by Treasurer Cahee, second by Supervisor Olson to change the Deputy Clerk from \$15,630.00/20hr week salary to \$15,631.00(\$1 increase), and the Deputy Treasurer from \$18,000.00/23hr week salary to \$17,976.00(\$24 decrease), which will bring both deputies in line with the previous motion that put them at the Clerical I wage category. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**
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The North Breitung Fire Hall estimate was received and reviewed.

Motion by Supervisor Olson, second by Clerk Coron to re-appoint Carole Erickson and Dennis Zeeb to the Planning Commission for a 3 year term, and Jack Peterson and Doug Powell to the Water Board for another 3 year term. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Clerk Coron, second by Trustee Wales to approve Budget Amendment 4-2007 to recognize shortfalls in the General, East Kingsford Water and Motor Pool funds. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

After being presented with a review of the meeting between the Breitung Township Schools, Dickinson-Iron Intermediate Schools and the Township of Breitung, regarding the charge for collection of taxes, a **motion** was made by Clerk Coron, second by Trustee Erickson to charge \$2.50 per parcel for the collection of the 2007 summer taxes and each year until it is changed. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

With December 31st falling on a Monday and New Year's Day on Tuesday, the employees submitted a request to the board to close the office on Monday, with each employee taking a day of vacation or without pay.

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Supervisor Olson to close the Breitung Township office on Monday, December 31, 2007 with each employee taking either a vacation day or a day off without pay. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Trustee Erickson to receive and place on file Clerk Coron's November 2007 Revenue/Expenditure Report. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Trustee Erickson to receive and place on file Treasurer Cahee's November 2007 Trial Balance. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Fire Chief Report:

Chief Iverson requested that the township approve a \$100 bonus for the 10 fireman that committed 40 hours of their time earlier this past year learning High Angle Rescue techniques. He has also requested that the Firefighter/Instructor, Brad Farley, be given a \$200 bonus. To be taken from the Rescue Wages line item in the budget.

Motion by Trustee Dixon, second by Treasurer Cahee to approve a \$100 bonus for the 10 firemen that completed the High Angle Rescue techniques; with Brad Farley, the firefighter/instructor receiving \$200. **Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.**

Superintendent Report:

-We have hired one person for the EK ice rink care taker position and we would like to hire one more to share in the hours.

-The proposal for the Quinnesec Telemetry and Scada equipment has been received. The total cost is approximately \$60,000.

-The signing of both agreements; the Utility Agreement and the Area II 425, will be on Friday morning, December 28, 2007.

Motion by Treasurer Cahee, second by Clerk Coron to approve the bills totaling \$604.00.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

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Motion by Trustee Wales, second by Clerk Coron to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried.

The meeting was declared adjourned by Supervisor Olson at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Reviewed and Approved by,

Samantha Coron
Breitung Township Clerk

Denny Olson
Breitung Township Supervisor