

BROOKS TOWNSHIP MINUTES

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November 15, 2016

APPROVED

Members Present: Clerk – Jennifer Badgero, Treasurer – Christina Haynor,
Trustee – Mike Bouwer, Trustee – Kim Roehrig

Members Absent: Supervisor Cory Nelson

A regular meeting of the Brooks Township Board was held on the above date at the Brooks Township Hall. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Clerk Jennifer Badgero.
Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA: Clerk Badgero asked for additions or corrections to the agenda.
Moved by Roehrig, **Seconded** by Haynor to accept the agenda as presented.
Approved Unanimously

MINUTES:

Moved by Haynor, **Seconded** by Roehrig to accept the minutes of the Regular October 18, 2016 Township Board meeting as written.
Approved Unanimously

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS:

Moved by Bouwer, **Seconded** by Badgero to pay the bills as presented.
Approved Unanimously

Roehrig asked about the Recycling bill and what was included. Badgero said it was the quarterly payment for \$2,250 and Junk Day.

TREASURER’S REPORT: (attached)

Received and Accepted Treasurer’s Report as presented.

**GF 101 – Beginning Balance \$754,938.93, Receipts \$47,940.21, Disbursements \$82,107.71,
Ending Balance \$720,771.43.**

**PA 103 – Beginning Balance \$.00, Receipts \$9,894.99, Disbursements \$9,894.99
Ending Balance \$.00.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REPORTS:

Planning Commission: Boucher reported the PC is continuing to work on the Master Plan update. They are also working on updating ordinance language. The next meeting is November 28.

Zoning Administrator: The report is attached.

Fire Board Report: Badgero said they met last month. They are still working on purchasing a tanker truck. They had 45-50 calls this month. There are three applicants to replace Tim Deater on the Fire Board.

Newaygo Community District Library: Sharon Haeger reported attendance was up at story time this year. It went from 36 in attendance last year to 52 this year. There is good attendance at the adult programs. Circulation was up by 300 more books. The board met twice to work on strategic planning. They will work on goals in 2017. They could define the Mission Statement. The Library will be closed November 24, 25, and 26 for Thanksgiving.

Roehrig said they have more programming than ever before, a solid budget, solid director, the employees are happy and said he is proud of the Library.

Coolbough Management Commission: Haynor said they were supposed to meet last week but didn't have a quorum. They have been working on hiring someone to clean up the tree tops that were cut. The Michigan Nature Association is going to look into hiring someone. There is a neighbor there who uses their own equipment to help clean it up.

Still working with the gentleman whose trees were cut but have not heard back from him.

Chain of Lakes Sewer Authority: Haynor reported everything is working fine. They are still working with Camp Henry on the amount of flow coming from the camp. They are in the process of checking the electricity.

Dutkiewicz reported they are also going to look into buying more relay systems to have on hand as the original ones will start wearing out.

Newaygo Area Recreation Authority: Badgero said they met last Friday and are working on finalizing the Recreation Plan.

County Commissioner: No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Zoning Administrator: Haynor said our ordinances refer to Zoning Administrator and Joe Selzer has been working under the title of Acting Zoning Administrator. That needs to be changed.

Moved by Haynor, **Seconded** by Badgero to change Selzer's title to Zoning Administrator from Acting Zoning Administrator.

Ayes – All

Nays – None

Approved Unanimously

NEW BUSINESS:

1. NCRA PLAN: Badgero said we need a resolution to approve the NCRA Plan. She will send the final plan to everyone and have a resolution so it can be on the agenda next month.

2. VARIOUS BOARD POSITIONS:

Chain of Lakes: Haynor has been the board representative since 1999 and would like to be replaced.

Moved by Haynor, **Seconded** by Roehrig to appoint Supervisor Cory Nelson to the COLA Board replacing Haynor.

Approved Unanimously

ZBA: Moved by Haynor, **Seconded** by Badgero to appoint Ken Page as the Board Representative on the ZBA and keep Kim Roehrig on as the alternate member.

Ayes – All

Nays – None

Approved Unanimously

Library Board: Two positions are open on the Library Board and will be published in the Times Indicator. Sharon Haege's term is up and Kim Roehrig's At Large position needs to be replaced.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Haynor said this is the last meeting for Mike Bower and Kim Roehrig as Township Board Members. She would like to thank them for all they have done and appreciates the input they gave to the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Haynor, **Seconded** by Bower to adjourn at 7:25 p.m.

Approved Unanimously

Jennifer Badgero – Clerk

Maureen Dutkiewicz – Recording Secretary