

## **BROOKS TOWNSHIP MINUTES**

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NOVEMBER 20, 2018

**DRAFT**

**Members Present:** Supervisor – Cory Nelson, Clerk – Jennifer Badgero, Treasurer - Christina Haynor, Trustee– Ken Page, Trustee – Ryan Schultz,

**Members Absent:** None

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 Supervisor Cory Nelson. Pledge of Allegiance

**AGENDA:** Supervisor Nelson asked for additions or corrections to the agenda.

**Moved** by Nelson, **Seconded** by Haynor to accept the agenda as presented. **Approved Unanimously**

### **MINUTES:**

**Moved** by Page, **Seconded** by Badgero to accept the minutes of October 16, 2018. **Approved Unanimously**

### **AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS:**

**Moved** by Nelson, **Seconded** by Haynor to pay the bills as presented. **Approved Unanimously**

### **TREASURER’S REPORT: (attached)**

**Received and Accepted Treasurer’s Report as presented.**

**GF 101 – Beginning Balance \$915,588.37, Receipts \$6,535.84, Disbursements \$36,081.58, Ending Balance \$886,042.63**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Thad Bulthouse reports that the Coolbaugh trail has been blocked since August and prevents access to his adjoining property. Chris Haynor plans to contact the forest service and is researching re-routing the trail.

Kelly Tinkham, Director of the Newaygo District Library, provided an overview of their recent Strategic Plan. One of their primary goals is to work in partnership with the Township to serve the public more efficiently.

### **REPORTS:**

**Planning Commission:** Schultz provided an overview of the October 29th, Planning Meeting. Highlights included a Public Hearing and approval of the proposed cell tower on E. Croton Dr, and ordinance language/development of standards for Conference/Retreat Centers. A proposal to move the Planning Commission Meeting to the week prior to the Township Board Meeting, beginning 4/1/19, was also discussed.

**Zoning Administrator:** October report submitted. No questions/comments

**Fire Board Report:** No meeting was held.

**Coolbough Management Commission** – Haynor reported the Commission met 11/20/18. She noted that the access trail was discussed and they are moving forward with resolution.

**Chain of Lakes Sewer Authority:** Nelson reported that the COLA manager failed to report back to work on the designated physician release date and did not contact anyone. When the chairman of COLA called to

inquire, the manager gave excuses and threw out other return dates with no new physician release to support the extension. The COLA manager also failed to show for the October meeting. It was later learned that his initial work release was denied due to an infection and he expects additional surgery. Brian Minor has agreed to stay as temporary manager until circumstances change. A permit pending with the DEQ requires resolution.

**Newaygo Area Recreation Authority:** Badgero reported no new issues other than the ice skating form is set.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- 1) Recycling – Chad has received a grant for a 100’ x 100’ fence for the recycling area. He is working on a proposal to have the County manage the area while he would man the fence. It was noted that no complaints have been received regarding the cessation of styrofoam recycling.
- 2) Pickeral/Kimball Lake Board – Cindy Labelle agreed to accept the board position. **Moved** by Nelson, **Seconded** by Haynor to approve Cindy’s acceptance to the lake board. **Approved unanimously**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) Brooks Lake Board Appointments – Jason Bradley and Rob Corcoran are designated to replace board vacancies of Warren Bender and Jim Leonard. **Moved** by Nelson, **seconded** by Haynor to support placement. **Approved Unanimously**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Comments received.

**TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** Haynor noted that she supported the Ordinance discussed at the Special Board Meeting held 11/15/18.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Moved** by Schultz, **Seconded** by Page to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 PM.  
**Approved Unanimously**

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Jennifer Badgero, Township Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

Dianna Schaafsma, Deputy Clerk \_\_\_\_\_