BROOKS TOWNSHIP MINUTES
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NEWAYGO, Michigan 49337
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March 19, 2019
APPROVED

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

Members Absent: Trustee – Ken Page

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 Badgero to accept the agenda with the addition of reports for the Library and County Commissioner. Approved Unanimously

PUBLIC HEARING - BUDGET
Moved by Haynor, Seconded by Badgero to suspend the regular meeting and open a Public Hearing for Budget Review. Approved unanimously. Budget was reviewed with no comments. Moved by Haynor, seconded by Schultz to close the Public Hearing and resume the regular meeting. Approved Unanimously

MINUTES: Moved by Nelson, Seconded by Haynor to accept the minutes of the regular February 19, 2019 and minutes for Special Meetings held on 2/27/19 and 3/5/19. Approved Unanimously

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS:
Moved by Haynor, Seconded by Nelson to pay the bills as presented. Approved Unanimously

TREASURER’S REPORT: (attached)
Received and Accepted Treasurer’s Report as presented. - GF 101 – Beginning Balance $868,024.96, Receipts $77,897.50, Disbursements $41,804.83 Ending Balance $904,117.63.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REPORTS:
Planning Commission: Per Schultz, PC meeting held 2/25/19, involved discussion of broadening essential services (water, well and septic) for accessory structures; more discussion next month.

Zoning Administrator: February report submitted. No questions/comments

Fire Board Report: Per Hummel, the last meeting included; approval of the contract with Garfield Township; resignation of Chief Jason Wolford at fiscal year end; establishment of a Safety Board for the City of Newaygo and approval of the Fireboard budget.

Coolbough Management Commission – Per Haynor, the current owner is not interested in re-routing the trail access. Andy Bacon is meeting with a representative from the Federal Forest Service to review other options. Also, 2500 copies of the Natural Newago Brochure have been re-published.
Chain of Lakes Sewer Authority: Nelson reported the resignation of the manager. In the interim, Brian Minor from Rural Water is staying on and things are going smoothly.

Newaygo Area Recreation Authority: Badgero provided highlights of last week’s NCRA meeting. True Green has been hired for maintenance of the soccer field and a contract/lease agreement will continue for the Little League.

Library: Sharon Haege reported the library board and staff are working well together. Programming has increased significantly with several new events. Events are free and many are geared toward employment skills. The library plans to update internal structure with grants and endowment funds.

County Commissioner: Brenda Bird, District 6 Commissioner, provided highlights on: Flood watch – Newaygo County has been identified for disaster support; any new concerns can be reported to the Newaygo County Website; Fremont recycling is now open for business; PFA testing is beginning in Newaygo County.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
1) Ordinance amendment discussion – Medical Marijuana – Timelines have been added to limit permit extensions and align language to the one year process. Moved by Nelson, seconded by Schultz to approve updated ordinance language. Approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:
4) Resolution 2019-350 – General Appropriations – Moved by Badgero, seconded by Nelson to approve with correction of “estimated revenue” on page 2. Approved Unanimously
5) PC Appointments – Moved by Nelson, seconded by Haynor to re-appoint (Schultz/Baker/Arthur) to the PC. Approved/Nay Schultz
6) CPI Application/Marijuana - Moved by Nelson, seconded by Badgero to approve township licensing of the provisioning center (8474 S. Mason Dr.). Unanimously approved.
7) WRTIFA Budget – Moved by Nelson, seconded by Haynor to accept the proposed budget. Unanimously Approved.
8) Sherriff/Marine patrol 2019 – Moved by Badgero, seconded by Nelson, to approve proposed amount for Sherriff patrol of Brooks Township. Approved/Nay Schultz Moved by Haynor, seconded by Schultz to approve proposed amount for Sherriff river patrol enforcement. Approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments received

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Comments received

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Nelson, Seconded by Haynor to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 PM. Approved Unanimously