

BROOKS TOWNSHIP MINUTES

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NEWAYGO, Michigan 49337

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September 20, 2016

APPROVED

Members Present: Supervisor – Cory Nelson, Treasurer – Christina Haynor,
Trustee – Mike Bouwer, Trustee – Kim Roehrig

Members Absent: Clerk – Jennifer Badgero

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 Roehrig, **Seconded** by Bouwer to accept the minutes of the Regular August 16, 2016 Township Board meeting as written.

Approved Unanimously

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS:

Moved by Nelson, **Seconded** by Roehrig to pay the bills as presented.

Approved Unanimously

TREASURER’S REPORT: (attached)

Received and Accepted Treasurer’s Report as presented.

GF 101 – Beginning Balance \$855,086.81, Receipts \$132,217.36, Disbursements \$247,681.883, Ending Balance \$739,622.34.

PA 103 – Beginning Balance \$.00, Receipts \$9,895.18, Disbursements \$9,895.18, Ending Balance \$.00.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REPORTS:

Planning Commission: Bower reported the PC did not have a meeting last month. Next week they will be meeting and going over Section 3.04c Clearing of Land again and starting to look over the Master Plan.

Zoning Administrator: (See attached)

Fire Board Report: Nelson said the Fire Board is putting an ad in the paper again for an at-large vacancy on the board. They approved the purchase of a new tanker truck. They also approved training eight or nine dive team members.

Newaygo Community District Library: Kelly Tinkem, new Library Director, was introduced by Sharon Haege. Tinkem said they have finished the summer reading program. There were 563 kids and teens in the program. There was 64% of the kids that finished the program and 59% of the teens. The library is working on a partnership with the Newaygo Public Schools to see how their reading programs helps the students with their reading scores. The fall programing is starting up.

They expect circulation to come down after the summer.

There will be a meeting on September 26 from 6 to 7 p.m. put on by a representative of AARP regarding the social security issues on this coming November election and how the candidates are lining up with the issues.

They passed their budget for 2017. The library board is doing strategic planning with Johnson Center at GVSU. They will meet two Thursday mornings in October. The Fremont Foundation is paying for this planning.

They are also updating library and personnel policies. Things are going well.

Coolbough Management Commission: Haynor said their next meeting is in November. The tree issue is still ongoing. They plan a controlled burn yet this fall, but she has not had any notification on the dates.

The clippings were supposed to be cleaned up last Saturday but it was delayed

Chain of Lakes Sewer Authority: Jim Dutkiewicz reported they had a meeting last week. They are continuing to buy extra pumps to have on hand for emergencies. They had an audit and it went well.

They are still working with Camp Henry in regards to the flow coming from there. Some days it's recording nothing so they are working on what can be done to make it fair for the camp and also be paid for the amount of flow the camp uses.

Newaygo Area Recreation Authority: Nelson said he was told they are still working on updating the Recreation Master Plan.

County Commissioner: No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments received.

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Nelson reported the work being done on 88th Street is a federal program. They have certain requirements. There was a 2 ½ week delay to be sure all requirements were met. They are working on it now and have to cut and replace driveways. They are making it wider.

Haynor questioned the speed limit on Spruce being 25 MPH and on 88th Street it is 35 MPH. Questions would have to go to Kelly at the Road Commission and the Sherriff. It would need a speed study.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Haynor, **Seconded** by Nelson to adjourn at 7:16 p.m.
Approved Unanimously

Jennifer Badgero – Clerk

Maureen Dutkiewicz – Recording Secretary