

## **BROOKS TOWNSHIP MINUTES**

490 QUARTERLINE ROAD  
NEWAYGO, Michigan 49337  
(231) 652-6763  
May 18, 2021  
APPROVED

**Members Present:** Supervisor - Cory Nelson, Clerk - Jennifer Badgero, Treasurer - Christina Haynor, Trustee – Danielle Hummel, 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. Teleconference call-in was also available. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Township Supervisor, Nelson. Pledge of Allegiance

**AGENDA:** Supervisor Nelson asked for additions or corrections to the agenda. **Moved** by Nelson, **seconded** by Hummel, to accept the agenda with the addition of New Business items 3) Road Patrol  
**Unanimously Approved**

### **MINUTES:**

**Moved** by Badgero, **seconded** by Schultz to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of April 20, 2021.  
**Unanimously Approved**

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

**Moved** by Badgero, **seconded** by Schultz, to pay the bills as presented. **Unanimously Approved**

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

**Received and Accepted Treasurer’s Report as presented. - GF 101 – Beginning Balance \$694,415.86  
Receipts \$5,855.22 Disbursements \$46,000.31, Ending Balance \$654,270.77**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Several comments were received involving the removal of additional road patrol. The majority were strongly against the removal.

### **REPORTS:**

**Planning Commission** –Nelson reported the discussion focused on ordinance review. A Public Hearing for addition of short-term rental language and corrected zoning of the river/tributary and lake districts will be scheduled for the June meeting.

**Fire Board Report:** Hummel reported the following highlights:

- The Board will now meet quarterly rather than monthly
- Mike Burns was recently appointed to the Board
- Feasibility studies were discussed
- Sharing of fire hydrants with the City of Newaygo and Brooks Township was discussed
- They are awaiting grants for 30 radios
- A webinar regarding road construction in the City of Newaygo is scheduled for 5/19/21. The fire board is advocating replacement of the center lane to allow room for fire vehicles to navigate through the downtown area in the event of an emergency.

**Coolbough Management Commission** – Haynor reported no major discussion; prescribed burns will occur if rain allows.

**Chain of Lakes Sewer Authority:** The March meeting was cancelled due to lack of discussion points.

**Newaygo Area Recreation Authority:** Badgero reported the following highlights:

- The budget for the next fiscal year was passed
- Progress is being made on baseball fields and pickle ball courts
- A Memorandum of Understanding was completed by the County Parks and NCRA
- NCRA is still working with the State to update the operation plan

**County Commissioner:** None present

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1) Approved Sanitarian – **Moved** by Nelson, **seconded** by Schultz to approve the following as authorized sanitation evaluators:

- Newaygo County Health Department – John Andersen, Evaluator – 231-355-7537
- DeBoer Evaluations – William DeBoer, Evaluator – 616-930-0497
- Done Right Well and Septic Inspections – Adam Zantello, Evaluator – 616-294-8195

**Unanimously Approved**

2) Board of Review Alternate – **Moved** by Nelson, **seconded** by Badgero, to nominate Chad Miller to the vacant position. **Unanimously Approved**

3) Road Patrol – **Moved** by Nelson, **seconded** by Haynor to reinstate funding for additional Brooks Township road patrol. Patrol will occur 3 days per week, focusing on weekends from Memorial Day through Labor Day. **Motion approved** based on roll call vote:

**Yeas**

Nelson, Badgero, Haynor, Hummel

**Nays**

Schultz

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Comments received.

**TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** Haynor reminded the Board of Trash Day, scheduled for June 26, 2021, from 8:00 AM until 2:00 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Moved** by Nelson, **seconded** by Hummel to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM. **Unanimously Approved**

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

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