

## **BROOKS TOWNSHIP MINUTES**

490 QUARTERLINE ROAD  
NEWAYGO, Michigan 49337  
(231) 652-6763  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2024  
**APPROVED**

**Members Present:** Supervisor - Cory Nelson, Clerk - Jennifer Badgero, Vivian Miller, Treasurer, Trustee - Ryan Schultz, Trustee - Danielle Hummel

**Members Absent:** None

A regular meeting of the Brooks Township Board was held on the above date at the Brooks Township Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Cory Nelson. Pledge of Allegiance

### **AGENDA:**

Supervisor Cory Nelson asked for additions or corrections to the agenda. **Moved** by Cory Nelson, **seconded** by Vivian Miller to approve the agenda as written. **Unanimously Approved**

### **MINUTES**

**Moved** by Danielle Hummel, **seconded** by Jennifer Badgero to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of August 20, 2024, as written. **Unanimously Approved**

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

**Moved** by Cory Nelson, **seconded** by Vivian Miller, to pay the bills as presented. **Unanimously Approved**

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

**Received and Accepted Treasurer's Report for August - GF 101 – Beginning Balance – \$1,642,585.11  
Receipts – \$92,678.73 Disbursement - \$54,531.36 Ending Balance – \$1,680,732.48**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

### **REPORTS:**

**Planning Commission** – No meeting held

**Fire Board Report** – Danielle Hummel reported the following highlights for the meeting of 8/26/24:

- The fire chief is in the process of scheduling a meeting to review the findings of the recent survey.
- An F-150 was recently purchased to replace the 25 year old suburban. This vehicle will be primarily used for medical issues.

**Coolbough Management Commission** – No meeting held

**Chain of Lakes Sewer Authority** – Cory Nelson reported that a Resolution was passed to recognize and appreciate Rob Kinniburgh's years of service. A framed copy will be provided to his family and Garfield Township

**Newaygo Area Recreation Authority** – Jennifer Badgero reported that potential resolutions were discussed to address recent incidents of destruction on the soccer field, also discussed was a plan for sealing areas of the pickleball courts next spring.

**County Commissioner** – Commissioner Brenda Bird noted the following discussion points:

- A balanced budget was approved in the amount of \$82 million
- There appears to be cutbacks in grant money for the next fiscal year
- Commission of aging has purchased a trans van and their new transportation program is working well
- EGLE has made some changes to online permits and other charges
- Jim Maike is working on opposition to proposed legislation for septic inspections

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1) Zoning Ordinance Amendments – Issues are still being reviewed and will be further discussed at the October meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) NPS – SRO Mitch Rood – The Bi-Annual Report for the period of January through June of 2024 was shared with board members which outlined events and functions for the timeframe as well as reports and investigations, standing functions of the school resource officers, services, training, programs and partnerships.
- 2) Road Committee – Five (5) participants are needed for this committee – To be discussed further at the October meeting
- 3) Library Board Vacancy – Julie Vitalie has resigned and the vacant position needs to be filled

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Comments were received regarding the closing of the Ensing Nature Preserve.

**TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Cory Nelson, **seconded** by Ryan Schultz to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 PM. **Unanimously Approved**

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

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