

BROOKS TOWNSHIP MINUTES

490 QUARTERLINE ROAD

NEWAYGO, Michigan 49337

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JANUARY 21, 2025

APPROVED

Members Present: Supervisor - Cory Nelson, Clerk - Jennifer Badgero, Trustee – Ryan Schultz, Trustee - Danielle Hummel

Members Absent: Treasurer – Vivian Miller

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 Danielle Hummel to approve the agenda as written. **Unanimously Approved**

MINUTES

Moved by Cory Nelson, **seconded** by Danielle Hummel to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of of December 17, 2024, as written. **Unanimously Approved**

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS:

Moved by Danielle Hummel, **seconded** by Jennifer Badgero, to pay the bills as presented. **Unanimously Approved**

TREASURER’S REPORT: (attached)

Received and Accepted Treasurer’s Report for December - GF 101 – Beginning Balance – \$1,558,398.31 Receipts – \$91,910.76 Disbursement - \$37,856.60 Ending Balance – \$1,612,452.47

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REPORTS:

Planning Commission – A special meeting was held on January 20 to move the February meeting and set a public hearing for February 17 regarding the cemetery ordinance

Fire Board Report – No meeting held, it is next week. The department ended the year with 692 calls for service.

Coolbough Management Commission – No meeting held

Chain of Lakes Sewer Authority – The plant manager will be changing to a part time salary position. We will retain using his license, as a full time replacement has not occurred yet.

Newaygo Area Recreation Authority – No meeting held

County Commissioner – Brenda Bird gave an update on a few items:

Our 911 director has retired

The city of Newaygo in conjunction with Brownfield will be building another multifamily housing unit with 103 units.

Dr Clark will attend our meetings quarterly to give us updates.

The county has change retirement providers from MERS to Morgan Stanley.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Zoning Ordinance Amendments – Accessory Dwelling Unit – Item tabled until the next meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance Amendments - Cemetery – **Moved** by Cory Nelson, **seconded** by Jennifer Badgero to discuss the proposed ordinance. Questions were raised regarding the potential for care of a private cemetery in the future. Moved by Nelson, seconded by Badgero to approve with the change of a bond with a monetary limit of \$1,000,000 or greater under section 6 . **Unanimously Approved**

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Supervisor Nelson stated that the Hess Lake Management Plan has been given to Brownfield. The blue green algae has been out of control and something needs to be done about the condition of the lake.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Cory Nelson, **seconded** by Danielle Hummel to adjourn the meeting at 8.15 PM. **Unanimously Approved**

Jennifer Badgero, _____
Township Clerk