

BREVORT TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
August 15, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Serwach at 6:00 pm by the Pledge of Allegiance.

All Board members were present.

The public present were Daryl Orr, Mark Peterson, Mike Gerow, Kelly Gerow, Nina Sampson, Lester Livermore, Tim Justice, Cynthia Justice.

Clerk Matelski read July meeting minutes. Motion to approve minutes made by Treasurer B. Olsen, seconded by Trustee T. Orr. Motion granted.

Clerk Matelski read the bills due. Motion to approve bills as read made by Trustee W. Orr, seconded by Treasurer Brian Olsen. Motion granted.

Treasurer Olsen read the Treasurer's report for June. Motion to approve the reports made by Clerk Matelski, seconded by Trustee T. Orr. Motion granted.

Nina Sampson addressed the Board regarding a sewer lid complaint. The lid on the unit on her property had broken. A new lid is on order and an older, used lid has been installed at her home. She is okay with the replacement. Motion made by Treasurer Olsen, seconded by Trustee W. Orr to keep on order the new lid and that Ms. Sampson would not be charged for the replacement lid. Motion granted.

Lester Livermore from the Road Commission addressed the Board regarding upcoming new policies. The Road Commission will be sending out surveys to the Townships to collect information on what services the Townships are requesting. He also spoke about snow removal, the water issue on Apple Lane and that the Road Commission has purchased new mowing equipment. He stated that the Road Commission may not plow this winter as often on the weekends as in the past, and that mowing next year on the shoulders should be better due to the new equipment purchases.

Fire Chief M. Peterson reported that the older fire truck has had brake work completed but that new brake lines and additional service to the unit is required. The Fire Department is in contact with a person to complete these repairs. He wishes to purchase new T-shirts for the staff as the older ones are worn out.

Treasurer Olsen stated he has received from Alpha Enterprises a request that the Township grant them an easement for the construction of a building and generator pad related to broadband improvements. Residents spoke to this issue and most disagreed to the proposal without further information. The Motion initially put forward was withdrawn and the matter tabled for future consideration.

Treasurer Olsen received a copy of the letter to Mr. Les Therrian from The Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy regarding suggestions related to the sewer lagoon. The first suggestion related to the sewer sludge depth survey. Motion was made to have the survey completed at

a cost of approximately \$500 by Clerk Matelski, seconded by Trustee W. Orr. Motion passed. The second issue related to the discharge control valve and this will be addressed in the spring of 2024. The third issue related to the Rip-rap vegetation control. The cattail problem will be addressed in the future as there is the possibility of federal grant money available to deal with this issue. The last issue related to the lift station on Brevort Lake Road. The generator unit there is not being used but cannot be easily relocated for use elsewhere. The Board will look in the future to possibly sell this unit.

At a prior Township meeting, the Township was informed that Mackinac County has ARPA funds available which the townships may apply for. Supervisor Serwach received information regarding street lighting but the cost of that project is prohibitive. Treasurer Olsen received an estimate from Payne + Dolan regarding paving the parking lot at the Community Center and Fire Department. The estimated cost is \$70,865.00. Treasurer Olsen will submit the necessary paperwork to the Mackinac County Board of Commissioners. Additionally, Treasurer Olsen attempted to receive an estimate for tree removal at the township park but has yet to receive anything in writing.

Treasurer Olsen stated that the Township Library can become part of the RIDES book delivery program if the Township would authorize providing the RIDES driver a key to the library. Motion made by Trustee T. Orr, seconded by Trustee W. Orr to provide said key. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn at 7:20 pm made by Treasurer B. Olsen, seconded by Trustee W. Orr. Motion granted.