

BREVORT TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
June 13, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Serwach at 5:58 pm by the Pledge of Allegiance.

All Board members were present, .

The public present were

Daryl Orr, Mark Peterson, Gary Davis and Ron Peterka, Jamica Diamond, Dan Litzner, Jody Kaiser and 2 East Lake residents

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

Clerk Matelski read the bills. 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 May. Motion to approve the reports made by Clerk Matelski, seconded by Trustee T. Orr. Motion granted.

Discussion was held that the cost of postage stamps will increase in July. It was determined that stamps would be purchased locally, five hundred for the clerk, 900 for the treasurer and 1200 for the sewer department. Motion made by Trustee W. Orr to approve the purchase, seconded by Treasurer Olsen, Motion granted.

Jamica Diamond addressed the Board regarding whether anyone had complained about the tee pee structure on her property and building repairs to her home.

Mackinac County Treasurer submitted a letter to the Township regarding a property on Duke's Road that will be listed for sale for back taxes. The Township was granted the first right to purchase this property. Motion by Trustee W. Orr to reject this purchase, seconded by Clerk Matelski, Motion granted.

Discussion was held regarding several Mackinac County road and Township agreements. The first project is Duke's Road for ditching. The Township's share would be \$1,904.66. The second project is brushing on Church Road and Wartella Road. The Township's share would be \$503.35. The third project is shoulder gravel work on Duke's Road, Black point Road and Brevort Lake Road. The Township's share would be \$3,226.00. The next project is road repairs to two sections on East Lake Road. The Township's share is \$13,359.00. The last project is brushing on Charles Moran Road. The Township's share is \$1,006.69. Motion made by Trustee W. Orr, seconded by Treasurer B. Olsen. Motion granted. All of these agreements were signed by the Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer and both Trustees.

Discussion was held about the drainage problem at Gary Davis' property and Treasurer Olsen stated that he has no answer from the Road Commission at this time.

Treasurer Olsen reported that the Road Commission will pave Charles Moran Road in the future. The Township will not be required to pay any of the costs of paving, as the Road Commission has secured a grant for the project.

A gentleman from East Lake Road inquired about how it was determined which roads would be repaired and if lumber companies could be charged a fee for damage caused to roads by their trucks. Treasurer Olsen stated that in the past there was a Township road committee and that Steve Baer was interested to be on that committee and that the Township should look at reestablishing this committee.

Dan Litzner stated that the County has AARPA funds. Brevort Township has not yet submitted a request for said funds which could be between \$10,000 and \$12,000.00. The request must be made before the September, 2023 County Commissioners meeting. Fire Chief Peterson stated that he would like to have the approach in front of the fire hall doors to be either black-topped or cemented and wondered if these funds could be used for that purpose and if said funds could be used for lighting and security cameras at the Township offices. He will get estimates regarding the door approach request.

Jody Kaiser, County Commissioner, spoke about the Road Commission having the Township pay for items, which is really a Road Commission responsibility and further talked about a public meeting in July regarding the Road Commission. Also discussion was held whether East Lake Road repairs are the responsibility for the DNR or the Road Commission. She will make inquiries to get this answer.

The Township will send a letter regarding the closing of the local campgrounds. Discussion was held regarding the tree problem and if the Forest Service will make necessary corrections and when the parks will be opened.

Motion to adjourn at 6:47 pm made by Trustee W. Orr, seconded by Clerk Matelski. Motion granted.