

BROOKS TOWNSHIP MINUTES

490 QUARTERLINE ROAD

NEWAYGO, Michigan 49337

(231) 652-6763

February 17,2026

APPROVED

Members Present, Supervisor - Cory Nelson, Clerk - Jennifer Badgero, Treasurer - Vivian Miller, 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. Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA:

Supervisor - Cory Nelson asked for additions or corrections to the agenda. **Moved** by Cory Nelson **seconded** by Jennifer Badgero to approve the agenda with the addition of New Business, Item 4, Roads

Unanimously Approved

MINUTES

Moved by Vivian Miller, **seconded** by Danielle Hummel to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of of January 20, 2026, as written. **Unanimously Approved**

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS:

Moved Cory Nelson, **seconded** by Danielle Hummel, to pay the bills as submitted. **Unanimously Approved**

TREASURER’S REPORT:

**Received and Accepted Treasurer’s Report for December - GF 101- Beginning Balance - \$1,666,287.68
Receipts – \$39,133.79 Disbursement - \$107,178.98 Ending Balance - \$1,598,242.49**

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REPORTS:

Planning Commission - No Meeting

Fire Board Report – Danielle Hummel noted the following issues:

- Calls continue to increase
- Replacement of a mini pumper engine was approved
- They are in the process of reviewing the budget
- The new rotation sign-up is going very well and has resulted in increased response times (3-5 minutes per call)

Coolbough Management Commission – No Meeting

Chain of Lakes Sewer Authority – No Meeting

Newaygo Area Recreation Authority – Jennifer Badgero reported the following:

- An official budget amendment was made for 2025/2026
- Audit for last year was completed
- There was discussion about weed control at Henning Pond
- Work is being done on another section of the skate park

County Commissioner – Commissioner Brenda Bird addressed the following items:

- A transportation study has been completed
- There were 609 new riders that utilized COA transportation services. There is a minimal fee and not all riders are seniors
- She provided a handout which outlined all services for older adults provided through Commission on Aging
- She also mentioned the periodical “Township Focus” and an article on ADA Compliance

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) NCRA - Budget Amendment – **Moved** by Cory Nelson, **seconded** by Jennifer Badgero to support the amended 2025/26 budget increase. **Unanimously Approved**
- 2) Resolution 2026-402 – Reimbursement Policy – **Moved** by Cory Nelson, **seconded** by Vivian Miller to approve the adoption of employee expense reimbursement as noted by the most recent audit. **Unanimously Approved**
- 3) MTA – Principals of Governance – **Moved** by Vivian Miller, **seconded** by Jennifer Badgero to adopt the Principals of Governance encouraged by the Michigan Townships Association. **Unanimously Approved**
- 4) Roads – Cory Nelson raised discussion for two road projects in Brooks Township recommended by the County Road Commission.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Cory Nelson raised issues concerning District Health Department #10 in regard to sewage seeping into wetlands. He also announced the retirement/resignation of Joe Selzer.

ADJOURNMENT: **Moved** by Vivian Miller, **seconded** by Danielle Hummel to adjourn at 7:54 PM

Jennifer Badgero
Brooks Township Clerk _____

Dianna Schaafsma _____
Brooks Township Deputy Clerk