

**BROOKS TOWNSHIP MINUTES**

490 QUARTERLINE ROAD

NEWAYGO, Michigan 49337

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May 19, 2026

**DRAFT**

**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 Danielle Hummel **seconded** by Vivian Miller to approve the agenda with the addition of the reappointments for COLA, NCRA, Coolbaugh and Library Boards. **Unanimously Approved**

**MINUTES**

**Moved** by Cory Nelson, **seconded** by Danielle Hummel to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of April 21, 2026. **Unanimously Approved**

**AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS:**

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

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

**Received and Accepted Treasurer’s Report for April 30, 2026- GF 101-**

**Beginning Balance - \$1,769,864.47 Receipts – \$64,101.83 Disbursement - \$185,158.81 Ending Balance - \$1,648,807.49**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**REPORTS:**

**Planning Commission** - Ryan Schultz reported that discussion continued on the signage changes, and no changes were made on the previous discussion of small homes.

**Fire Board Report** – Danielle Hummel reported that a special meeting was held and Jason Fowler was appointed as the new chief. Ed Fedell was also added as a Fire Board Member.

**Coolbough Management Commission** – Jennifer Badgero reported that the boardwalk issues in low areas have been fixed, supervised burns were discussed and paths were blocked to prevent vehicle entry.

**Chain of Lakes Sewer Authority** – No Meeting held

**Newaygo Area Recreation Authority** – Jennifer Badgero reported that fertilizer and herbicide was approved for the baseball and soccer field and dusting is nearly complete. New members Bruce Gracik and Gary Timmer were added to NCRA, and bronze memorial markers were made for Jeff Cronk and Duane Duchemin.

- County Commissioner** – Commissioner Brenda Bird reported the following:
- Funding was put through for one new COA vehicle
  - Grant recreational facility is still awaiting approval
  - A resolution was written 5/13/26 to honor law enforcement and dispatcher
  - The courts are going electronic – debit cards will now be loaded for jury duty and other court related payments.
  - Croton Township is linking up with VFW for EPIC fireworks celebration.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) Road repair – Thornapple north of boat launch – **Moved** by Jennifer Badgero, **seconded** by Vivian Miller to approve the repair (for approximately .7 miles ) in the estimated amount of \$134,160.25c which includes NCRC share of \$35,240.25 and Brooks Township share of \$98,920. **Unanimously Approved**
- 2) Reappointments – **Moved** by Jennifer Badgero, **seconded** by Cory Nelson to reappoint the following:
  - COLA – Cory Nelson, Tom Postma and Pete Vandyke
  - NCRA – Jennifer Badgero and Kim Goodin
  - Coolbaugh – Jenniferr Badgero and Vivian Miller
  - Library Board – Sharon Haege and Candy Wells**Unanimously Approved**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Jerry Swendrowski requested additional speed monitors around Hess Lake

**TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** Cory Nelson provided an update on Health Department actions for Speedway and the trailer park near Hess Lake.

**ADJOURNMENT:** **Moved** by Cory Nelson, **seconded** by Danielle Hummel to adjourn at 7:37 PM

Jennifer Badgero  
Brooks Township Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

Dianna Schaafsma \_\_\_\_\_  
Brooks Township Deputy Clerk