



**TOWN OF BROCKWAY
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MEETING Minutes

April 17, 2023

Approved

Date: **Monday April 17, 2023**
Time: **7:30 p.m. Regular Board Meeting**
Place: **Brockway Town Hall**

1. Call to Order:

- On the 17th of April 2023, the Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm with all board members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- Motion made by Fiedler to approve the updated agenda, seconded by Douvier, approved.

2. Land Use Requests:

- a. Proposed administrative subdivision, property split of 98-acre parcel, PID 04.01985.0000. Applicant: Mark Rodenwald. Owner: Kevin and Deborah Traut. Address: 42776 County Road 3, Holdingford. Motion made by Fiedler to approve, seconded by Douvier, approved.
- b. Proposed administrative subdivision, proposed split of 10 acres from parcel PID 04.02133.0000, currently 46 acres. Applicant: Justin Nathe. Owner: Beverly R Nathe Trust. Address: 220 11th Street SW, St. Stephen. Motion made by Fiedler to approve, seconded by Douvier, approved.

3. Clerk's Report:

- A. Motion made by Pogatchnik to approve March 20, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes with corrections, seconded by Douvier, approved.
- B. Motion made by Pogatchnik to approve February 21, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by Fiedler, approved.
- C. Motion made by Fiedler to approve the March 20, 2023, Reorganizational Meeting Minutes, seconded by Douvier, approved.

4. Treasurer's Report:

- A. Motion made by Fielder to approve March report on accounts, seconded by Douvier, approved.
- B. Motion made by Fiedler to approve Claims No: 22804-22817, seconded by Douvier, approved.

5. Public Input:

Stearns County Deputy reports on coordinating with Clerk to start adding ordinances to e-citation. Deputy states that they had nothing to report on addresses the township asked them to look at. Discussion was had with Deputy regarding e-citation. Deputy states that in March they had 7 traffic stops.

6. Old Business:

- A. **Roads:** Douvier noted 115th Ave, N of CR17, has an extreme pothole, and road is totally closed. Plan to get road open in the next week. Fielder also has had calls on potholes, and they are working on it, but cold patch is on backorder. Fielder notes Road Review is on Friday, so potholes will be noted, and Hansen Paving will be hired to patch. Pogatchnik brought up signs, and they should be starting soon.
- B. **411th Street:** Mike Nielson addressed the board regarding soil borings that they will complete in about a week and move on to design. He submits a bid to design 57th Ave also. Pogatchnik questions if the roads need to be engineered. Proposal for 57th Ave will be tabled until Road Review. Pogatchnik states that homeowner on 411th Street asked him to look at the road with him and proposed using a 3' asphalt or concrete swale in place of a ditch. It was decided that Mike Nielson and homeowner would be present at Road Review to discuss further.
- C. **Smarts Ferry:** Fiedler states that Brockway Township does not own any land to put a retaining wall or patio, therefore they cannot do this unless homeowners would agree, and they have declined. The township has the road and ROW. Fiedler states that township will clean up piles of dirt and concrete on South side of landing, install "No Overnight Parking" signs, parking stripes, and try garbage container & portable toilet. Motion made by Fielder to do the 95-gallon rolling container at \$40/mth, porta potty at \$125 +tax/month plus \$30 delivery fee, for 6-month trial and get a proposal for striping in parking lot, seconded by Pogatchnik, approved. Fiedler asked Deputy if they could monitor Smarts Ferry more closely, Deputy states that they are there all the time. Deputy states that there have hardly been any calls on Walleye Road.

- D. **Cul-de-sac radius:** Mike Nielson gave estimates for 120' vs 96' cul-de-sac. Discussion addressed regarding how much space is needed. Tabled until after the Road Review.
- E. **Nuisance Complaint:** Supervisors discussed the nuisance complaint, and it was decided that they didn't note anything concerning. Fiedler will contact homeowner with complaint to discuss further.
- F. **Ordinances to put on E-Cite / form completed by attorney:** Issue will be tabled until next meeting.

7. **New Business:**

- A. **Mississippi River Fireworks / June 24, backup June 25.** Motion made by Fiedler to approve, seconded by Douvier, approved.
- B. **Town Officers Association of Stearns County / April 28 @ 7:00 Freeport Center.** Motion made by Fiedler to approve those Supervisors that wish to attend, seconded by Douvier, approved.
- C. **Conflict of Interest forms:** Supervisors signed forms.
- D. **Crack sealing Scenic View Drive:** Supervisors agreed to add this road for crack sealing.
- E. **Consolidated Liability Coverage – Increase:** Issue tabled until next meeting.
- F. **Public ROW utility installation 380th Street:** Street is in St. Wendel Township, utility company will need to contact them.
- G. **Lawn mowing contract:** Motion made by Douvier to accept the lawn moving contract from John Hulls, seconded by Pogatchnik, Fiedler abstained, approved.
- H. **Suggestion section on website:** It was decided that there is public input available at meetings and by phone, and that is sufficient.
- I. **County enforcement of ordinances:** Tabled until next meeting.
- J. **Review of wages/record keeping:** Fiedler asked Treasurer if Township is complying.
- K. **Township table/chair rental:** Fiedler states that resident would like to rent out township tables/chairs. Supervisors discussed and decided against renting them out.
- L. **Trailer:** Pogatchnik asked if Township would consider buying an aluminum trailer to keep signs on. Fiedler asked Pogatchnik to get a price on one for next meeting.
- M. **Resolution of Scenic View Drive:** Resolution tabled until next meeting until it is determined if there is another named section of the road to the South that needs to be addressed.

8. **Mail / Miscellaneous:**

- A. Board of Equalization 9:00 a.m. Friday April 21 / Road review to follow.
- B. Township Legal Seminar: Motion made by Fiedler to approve any Supervisors that want to attend, seconded by Douvier, approved.
- C. Benton Telephone Annual Meeting / 4-24-2023 @ 7:30
- D. Land Use Legal training / 4-20-2023 @ 5:30: Motion made by Pogatchnik to approve any Supervisors that want to attend, seconded by Fiedler, approved.

9. **Public Input:**

- A. Resident asked if the landowner next to Smarts Ferry is allowed to have access to his home from Walleye Road. Fiedler stated that there has not been an application submitted to the township to ask for access.
- B. Resident asks if Supervisors can look at the ditch on 380th and remove the dirt that has accumulated and put it back in the field. It was decided that resident will discuss this with Supervisors at Road Review.

Melissa Pogatchnik, Deputy Clerk

George Fiedler, Supervisor chair

Move to Adjourn/Recess: 8:52pm time.

Next Regular Meeting Date: **Monday, May 15, 2023**