

# Township of Breitung Agenda – Regular Board Meeting

## **Township of Breitung Regular Board Meeting 08/19/2025 Breitung Community Center 6:00 PM**

- Call the meeting to order/Roll Call
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Acceptance of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
  - 07/15/2025 Regular Board Meeting
- Approval of July 2025 Treasurer's Report
  - Checks Written: 50086 - 50212
  - Total Disbursements: \$188,253.81
  - Fund Balance: \$693,285.92
  - Voided Checks: 50123 -20130, 50191, 50195, 50197
- Correspondence
  - Amanda Meyer
  - Noah Hunter & Family
  - MAT District 10 Meeting Notice
  - Minnesota Township Insider
    - Milestones of Tim Tomsich & Jorgine Gornick
  - Iron Range Resources & Rehabilitation: State of the Range Invite
  - Sarah Hansen: Big Truck Night
- Public Input

### **Reports:**

- Police – Attached
- Fire & Rescue – Attached
- Road and Bridge – Attached
- Wastewater Board
- Ambulance Commission
- Housing – None
- Recreation
  - IRRR FY26 Grant Proposal available upon request
- Lake Vermilion Lodging Tax Board

## **Old Business**

- Current Infrastructure Projects
  - 2025 Infrastructure
  - 2023 Infrastructure
  - McKinley Park Trail Loop
    - IRRR Grant Agreement
  - Thompson Farm Road
  - Stuntz Bay Access Rd
- Flood/FEMA process – Attached
- Police Local 346 Union Contract
- Broadband Project
- Joint Comprehensive Plan
- Workers' Compensation Insurance
  - Breitung Employee Handbook Changes
- Building Access

## **New Business**

- Pay Bills as presented
- Turn existing trails over to Mesabi Trail
- Resolution 2025-18: Certification of 2025 Levy
- Resolution 2025-19: Accepting Donations
- Deputy Treasurer
- CD #2622, \$25k, due 8/29/2025
- Minnesota Paid Leave Act

## **Next Board Meetings**

Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, September 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM

## **Adjourn**

**Breitung Township**  
**Regular Board Meeting 07-15-2025, 6:00 PM**  
**In Person Meeting at the Breitung Community Center**  
**33 First Avenue, Soudan MN 55782**

**Present In Person:**

Board Members: Chairman Matthew Tuchel, Supervisor Erin Peitso, Supervisor Stephen Tekautz, Treasurer Teresa Dolinar, Clerk Amber Zak

Public: Tom Gorsma Maintenance Supervisor, Chief Daniel Reing, Stephanie Ukkola (The Timberjay Newspaper), John Jamnick (JPJ Engineering), Gary Aubol (left at 6:08 PM)

Call to Order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Tuchel

Pledge of Allegiance

**Acceptance of Agenda**

Motion by Supervisor Tekautz to accept the agenda as presented

2<sup>nd</sup> by Chairman Peitso

Motion Passed 3-0

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Supervisor Peitso to approve the minutes of the 06-17-2025 Regular Board Meeting as presented

2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Tekautz

Motion passed 3-0

**Approval of Treasurer's Report**

It was noted that the 2022 Infrastructure Project came up approximately \$24,000 less than was originally budgeted.

Motion by Supervisor Peitso to accept the June 2025 Treasurers Report as presented

2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Tekautz

Motion passed 3-0

**Correspondence**

- Tekautz Family

Correspondence so noted.

**Public Input**

Gary Aubol spoke regarding Breitung Township supporting a cause to start taking care of the boathouses in Stuntz Bay. He noted that over the 30 or so were now "down" and a number of them had been turned back to the state, he mentioned that each spot affects our communities' economies. He suggested a push for a change in legislation, turning the rights to the boathouses back over to the owners. Chairman Tuchel responded that Breitung Township has always and for the foreseeable future would continue to support the Stuntz Bay Association in any endeavors to keep the boathouses functional and available.

## Reports

- Police – Attached.
- Fire – Attached.
- Road and Bridge – Attached
- Wastewater Board – Chairman Tuchel mentioned that there had been a lot of action on the water plant, but no other news at this time
- Ambulance Commission – No meeting; Supervisor Peitso attended Babbitt State of EMS presentation and noted it was eye-opening, mentioned that nearly every single ambulance service is struggling to maintain service
- Housing – No meeting/report
- Recreation – Supervisor Peitso discussed the IRRR Culture & Tourism grant that the recreation committee was working to obtain – Tim Tomsich was putting the grant proposal together and currently gathering Letters of Support
- Lake Vermilion Lodging Tax Joint Powers Board – Chairman Tuchel noted that the board had met on 7/15/25 and signed an agreement with the MN Department of Revenue to have them collect the tax for rentals

## Old Business:

### Current Infrastructure Projects

- 2025 Infrastructure Project – nothing to report
- 2023 Infrastructure Project – minor punch list, can be closed out
- McKinley Loop Trail – Chairman Tuchel explained that Nancy Larson would be putting in a final application and was optimistic that soft costs would be covered by IRRR
  - St. Louis County Cooperative Agreement – Active Transportation grant paperwork  
Motion by Supervisor Tekautz to accept the agreement as presented and sign  
Second by Supervisor Peitso  
Motion passed 3-0
- Thompson Farm Road Project – Chairman Tuchel explained that there had recently been a meeting with all involved parties (SLC, State of MN, Prospectors Trail Alliance, DNR, Breitung, JPJ); DNR is hoping timing will be around the time of the opening of the campground. Formally requested the opening of the David Dill Trail to ATV-ers between Junction & Thompson Farm Roads
- Stuntz Bay Access Road – minor punch list, should be able to close out

### Flood/FEMA process – Attached

### Police Local 346 Union Contract

Supervisor Tekautz explained that the union representative would first have a meeting with Chief Reing, then a meeting with Supervisor Tekautz, and then a meeting together. Chief Reing anticipated these meetings happening within in the next month or so.

### Broadband Project

Chairman Tichel provided the news that the installation of the cable would be starting on July 26 in our area; so far 198 homes in our area had signed up requested that the clerk share the literature provided by CTC & Bois Forte on our website and Facebook page

Regarding installation in the Echo Point Road and McKinley Park Acres Road areas, Chairman Tichel explained that CTC and Lake Country Power had requested funding from area municipalities to conduct a survey for cost installation. The cost of such a survey would be \$175k, Breitung's share of the cost would be 10.65% coming out to \$18,637.50 (based on the number of homes that could potentially receive the service). A meeting is scheduled for 9/16/2025 to discuss the study; Chairman Tichel requested the board consider over the next month what we are willing to spend for such a survey. He also noted there is minimal federal funding at this time for these types of projects.

### Joint Comprehensive Plan

No news at this time

### **New Business:**

#### Pay Bills as Presented

Motion by Supervisor Tekautz to Pay Bills as Presented

2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Peitso

Motion Passed 3-0

#### Workers' Compensation Insurance

Chairman Tichel brought up the issue to start the conversation regarding future handling of Worker's Compensation Claims. In June, an employee was injured on the job and has been out on Worker's Compensation since that time. During this period, Breitung Township has been paying the employee in full without using PTO/Sick time. He felt that continuing to pay in this way is not reasonable and it had only been done this way due to the previous experience with two other employees having received similar compensation for 6 weeks in one instance and 4 months in another. Indicated that the board may need to make a decision eventually and should consider it over the next month; the board wished to treat the currently injured employee fairly based on previous experience. For future boards, it may be wise to set guidelines, work with the union to potentially include such information in contracts.

#### Resolution 2025-16: IRRR FY26 Regional Trails Grant

Motion by Chairman Tichel to approve resolution 2025-16

2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Peitso

Motion Passed 3-0

#### Resolution 2025-17: IRRR FY26 Culture & Tourism Grant

Motion by Supervisor Peitso to approve Resolution 2025-17

2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Tekautz

Motion Passed 3-0

#### Signage Proposal & Approval

Chairman Tichel reviewed the proposal for siding replacement and lettering installation for the Timothy Tomsich Community Center by Lenci Enterprises at a cost of \$7,460.00

Motion by Chairman Tichel to approve the proposal and engage the services of Lenci Enterprises

2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Peitso

Motion passed 3-0

**Building Access**

Supervisor Tekautz discussed concern regarding the amount of people who currently know the code to enter the community center; it has slowly spread over the years from person to person. Chairman Tichel was concerned that changing the code could lead to firefighters being locked out during an emergency if they were to forget the new code. Questions regarding the functionality of the security cameras came up; it was thought that none of them worked on the police building or on the Community Center building. Chairman Tichel directed Chief Reing to look into what it would take and cost to get all of the cameras up and running, that way if there were issues with entrances to the community center, it would at least be on camera. No further action was taken on the matter.

**Next Board Meetings**

Regular Board Meeting on 08/19/2025 at 6:00 PM

**Adjourn**

Motion by Supervisor Peitso to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 PM

2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Tekautz

Motion passed 3-0

Respectfully Submitted

Amber Zak  
Clerk, Breitung Township

# TOWNSHIP OF BREITUNG

Jul-25

GENERAL	335,300.94
ROAD & BRIDGE	200,393.21
FIRE	5,784.51
PARK	56,168.45
RECREATION	25,533.89
POLICE	103,519.57
PROJECTS	(13,414.65)
TOTALS	713,285.92

July 2025

Department	Date	Name	Account	Amount
Fire	7/10/2025	Deposit	Miscellaneous	311.00
Fire	7/15/2025	Lake Country Power	Grant	2,500.00
<b>Fire Total</b>				<b>2,811.00</b>
Genearl	7/8/2025	Deposit	Dog Tags	20.00
<b>Genearl Total</b>				<b>20.00</b>
General	7/1/2025	Deposit	Rents	50.00
General	7/22/2025	State of Minnesota	Local Government Aid	2,825.50
General	7/24/2025	Breitung Water Department	Miscellaneous	43.84
General	7/24/2025	Breitung Water Department	Miscellaneous	2,944.64
General	7/8/2025	St. Louis County	Apportionment	428,555.56
General	7/8/2025	St. Louis County	Water Dept Reimb	588.03
General	7/22/2025	Deposit	Rents	100.00
General	7/22/2025	Deposit	Rents	50.00
<b>General Total</b>				<b>435,157.57</b>
Park Credit Card	7/1/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	14.00
Park Credit Card	7/1/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	88.81
Park Credit Card	7/1/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	177.00
Park Credit Card	7/7/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	120.00
Park Credit Card	7/7/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	281.00
Park Credit Card	7/7/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	438.00
Park Credit Card	7/9/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	375.00
Park Credit Card	7/11/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	8.50
Park Credit Card	7/22/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	57.41
Park Credit Card	7/22/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	230.74
Park Credit Card	7/23/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	79.81
Park Credit Card	7/24/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	100.00
Park Credit Card	7/28/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	240.00
Park Credit Card	7/29/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	12.00
Park Credit Card	7/29/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	122.56
Park Credit Card	7/29/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	1,800.00
Park Credit Card	7/30/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	1,051.17
<b>Park Credit Card</b>				<b>5,196.00</b>
Park	7/29/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	3,670.00
Park	7/8/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	6,960.00
Park	7/10/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	1,138.50
Park	7/11/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	5,306.00
Park	7/22/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	4,670.00
Park	7/15/2025	McKinley Park Campground	McKinley Park Campground	6,330.00
<b>Park Total</b>				<b>28,074.50</b>
Police	7/22/2025	Deposit	Police Miscellaneous	4.00
<b>Police Total</b>				<b>4.00</b>
Projects	7/1/2025	US Postal Service	Rents	465.50
<b>Projects Total</b>				<b>465.50</b>
R&B	7/29/2025	Deposit	Road & Bridge Miscellaneous	1,111.10
R&B	7/8/2025	Deposit	Miscellaneous	8.00
R&B	7/8/2025	Deposit	Miscellaneous	2,585.88
R&B	7/8/2025	St. Louis County	Snow Assessment	1,300.16
<b>R&amp;B Total</b>				<b>5,005.14</b>

July 2025

Department	Date	Name	Account	Amount
Recreation	7/10/2025	Deposit	Rents	400.00
Recreation	7/31/2025	Deposit	Rents	1,400.00
Recreation Total				<b>1,800.00</b>
General	7/1/2025	Deposit		<b>10,000.00</b>
General	7/8/2025	Deposit		10,000.00
Grand Total				<b>498,533.71</b>
Frandsen Interest			219.83	
Frandsen Reserve			21.59	
Frandsen MMD Savings			32.08	
Interest 4M			1096.04	
Interest CD			3060.05	
			<b>4429.59</b>	<b>4,429.59</b>
				<b>\$502,963.30</b>
Apportionment Split				
General			90082.38	
Road & Bridge			183164.65	
Fire			48426.78	
Recreation			23656.27	
Police			83225.49	
			428555.56	
Checks	50086 - 50212			
Voided Checks	50123 - 50130, 50191, 50195, 50197			

## Township of Breitung

## Profit &amp; Loss

July 2025

08/14/25

Cash Basis

	<u>Jul 25</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Dog Tags	20.00
Fire Miscellaneous	2,500.00
Interest	4,429.59
McKinley Park Campground	33,270.50
Miscellaneous	5,893.36
Police Miscellaneous	4.00
Rents	2,465.50
Road & Bridge Miscellaneous	1,111.10
Snow Assessment	1,300.16
St. Louis County	
Apportionment	428,555.56
Total St. Louis County	428,555.56
State of Minnesota	
Local Government Aid	2,825.50
Total State of Minnesota	2,825.50
Water Dept Reimb	588.03
Total Income	482,963.30
Gross Profit	482,963.30
Expense	
Electricity & Water	
Fire	221.37
General	221.37
Park	5,072.00
Police	178.27
Recreation	174.34
Road & Bridge	978.30
Total Electricity & Water	6,845.65
Equipment Purchases	
Fire	54,756.15
General	6,114.17
Total Equipment Purchases	60,870.32
Fuel - Fuel Oil	
Police	311.63
Recreation	275.68
Road & Bridge	7,463.08
Total Fuel - Fuel Oil	8,050.39
Insurance	
General	2,861.00
Police	1,467.00
Total Insurance	4,328.00
Payroll Expenses	
Police	400.00
Road & Bridge	4,306.40
Payroll Expenses - Other	52,035.79
Total Payroll Expenses	56,742.19

Township of Breitung  
Profit & Loss  
July 2025

	<u>Jul 25</u>
<b>Payroll Taxes</b>	
General	491.43
Police	1,991.11
Recreation	153.90
Road & Bridge	1,348.61
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<b>Total Payroll Taxes</b>	3,985.05
<b>Services Rendered</b>	
1099-NEC	16,185.00
Fire	734.24
General	530.00
Park	15,032.20
Police	754.70
Recreation	310.00
Road & Bridge	3,064.40
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<b>Total Services Rendered</b>	36,610.54
<b>Supplies</b>	
Fire	2,928.98
General	860.92
Park	939.81
Police	719.46
Recreation	32.64
Road & Bridge	3,325.91
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<b>Total Supplies</b>	8,807.72
<b>Telephone</b>	
General	120.27
Park	1,061.34
Police	333.91
Road & Bridge	36.24
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<b>Total Telephone</b>	1,551.76
<b>Total Expense</b>	<hr/> 187,791.62 <hr/>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	295,171.68
<b>Net Income</b>	<hr/> <u>295,171.68</u> <hr/>

# BREITUNG TOWNSHIP

# 2025


	General	R & B	Fire	Park	Rec	Police	Projects	TOTALS
Balance Forward	218,259.23	(4,667.27)	53,193.27	45,208.36	20,222.42	104,675.82	(79,846.59)	357,045.24
January Receipts	4,544.65	131,700.68	2,217.68	28,500.00	1,083.33	5,500.19	111,638.50	285,185.03
January Disbursements	135,627.85	30,454.00	5,261.07	48,505.18	1,505.30	41,415.51	28,183.79	290,952.70
2025 January	87,176.03	96,579.41	50,149.88	25,203.18	19,800.45	68,760.50	3,608.12	351,277.57
February Receipts	15,056.02	12,977.30	0.00	11,148.00	0.00	0.00	1,215.50	40,396.82
February Disbursements	12,685.26	31,516.79	4,440.29	7,076.43	2,096.04	11,338.59	15,034.16	84,187.56
2025 February	89,546.79	78,039.92	45,709.59	29,274.75	17,704.41	57,421.91	(10,210.54)	307,486.83
March Receipts	202,290.55	0.00	150.00	15,733.00	140.00	22,530.75	102,010.50	342,854.80
March Disbursements	27,093.85	32,561.88	9,183.09	12,621.13	1,972.97	27,176.10	13,796.15	124,405.17
2025 March	264,743.49	45,478.04	36,676.50	32,386.62	15,871.44	52,776.56	78,003.81	525,936.46
April Receipts	7,539.83	14,894.98	600.00	3,500.00	0.00	1,483.47	53,639.07	81,657.35
April Disbursements	13,504.45	20,763.64	10,351.99	3,092.07	719.67	15,235.19	52,708.07	116,375.08
2025 April	258,778.87	39,609.38	26,924.51	32,794.55	15,151.77	39,024.84	78,934.81	491,218.73
May Receipts	12,249.69	52,751.78	725.06	44,306.45	0.00	23,831.68	1,816.99	135,681.65
May Disbursements	9,841.66	19,342.10	11,277.41	20,470.72	1,535.55	12,793.34	113,978.88	189,239.66
2025 May	261,186.90	73,019.06	16,372.16	56,630.28	13,616.22	50,063.18	(33,227.08)	437,660.72
June Receipts	4,501.86	0.00	4,128.00	29,876.39	0.00	4.00	26,269.32	64,779.57
June Disbursements	30,999.57	21,109.98	5,036.47	22,166.18	6,406.13	11,453.14	6,692.39	103,863.86
2025 June	234,689.19	51,909.08	15,463.69	64,340.49	7,210.09	38,614.04	(13,650.15)	398,576.43

2025	General	R & B	Fire	Park	Rec	Police	Projects	TOTALS
July Receipts	101,133.98	188,169.79	51,237.78	33,270.50	25,456.26	83,229.49	465.50	482,963.30
July Disbursements	20,522.23	39,685.66	60,916.96	41,442.54	7,132.46	18,323.96	230.00	188,253.81
2025 July	315,300.94	200,393.21	5,784.51	56,168.45	25,533.89	103,519.57	(13,414.65)	693,285.92
August Receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
August Disbursements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2025 August	315,300.94	200,393.21	5,784.51	56,168.45	25,533.89	103,519.57	(13,414.65)	693,285.92
September Receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
September Disbursements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2025 September	315,300.94	200,393.21	5,784.51	56,168.45	25,533.89	103,519.57	(13,414.65)	693,285.92
October Receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
October Disbursements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2025 October	315,300.94	200,393.21	5,784.51	56,168.45	25,533.89	103,519.57	(13,414.65)	693,285.92
November Receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
November Disbursements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2025 November	315,300.94	200,393.21	5,784.51	56,168.45	25,533.89	103,519.57	(13,414.65)	693,285.92
December Receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
December Disbursements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2025 December	315,300.94	200,393.21	5,784.51	56,168.45	25,533.89	103,519.57	(13,414.65)	693,285.92
<b>RECEIPTS</b>	<b>347,316.58</b>	<b>400,494.53</b>	<b>59,058.52</b>	<b>166,334.34</b>	<b>26,679.59</b>	<b>136,579.58</b>	<b>297,055.38</b>	<b>1,433,518.52</b>
<b>DISBS</b>	<b>250,274.87</b>	<b>195,434.05</b>	<b>106,467.28</b>	<b>155,374.25</b>	<b>21,368.12</b>	<b>137,735.83</b>	<b>230,623.44</b>	<b>1,097,277.84</b>

We appreciate you!  
Instructor: Mandy Meyer  
on behalf of

Dave  
Hazel  
Lucy  
minnow

Eddie  
Sisu  
Mykka  
Ollie



Breitung Township  
Board,  
Thank you so  
much for the  
3 out of 6 weeks  
that we needed  
shelter for the  
community Dog  
Obedience Classes.  
Hope to see you next summer!

Daniel,

Thank you for going above  
and beyond when my family  
and I were in a jam.

Noah Hunter  
and Family

# Minnesota Association of Townships District 10 Meeting Notice

For Township Officers in Carlton, Cook, Lake  
and Saint Louis Counties



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## You're invited to attend your MAT District 10 Meeting.

District Meetings are one of the best opportunities for township officers to:

- Stay informed on current legislative and legal issues affecting townships
- Learn about new laws, regulations, and township responsibilities
- Hear updates directly from MAT leadership and staff
- Ask questions on township operations and governance
- Network with other township officers from your district
- Share local concerns and ideas with your MAT District Director
- Build connections with community partners

Whether you are newly elected or a seasoned township leader, you'll come away with valuable updates, helpful resources, and new connections to help you serve your township.

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### Meeting Information:

DATE: Thursday, August 28, 2025

TIME: 5:00 PM Optional opportunity to meet with MAT staff for questions  
5:30 PM Registration  
6:00 PM Meeting

WHERE: Grand Lake Town Hall  
5287 Highway 53  
Saginaw, MN (St. Louis County)

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### Tentative Agenda: *(Final agenda will be provided at the meeting)*

- Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance: MAT District 10 Director Kevin Cornick
- Speakers and discussion of local issues and legislative updates
- MAT updates:
  - Executive Director's Report — Jeff Krueger
  - Legal Update — MAT In-House Counsel
  - Clerk/Treasurer Trainer Updates
- Door prizes and drawings
- Adjournment

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Questions about this event can be directed to the MAT office or District 10 Director Kevin Cornick.

This notice is postal mailed on or about July 29, 2025 to **Township Clerks and Chairpersons** only. Please notify your other town board members so they may also attend. Several email notifications will also be sent to our email distribution list.

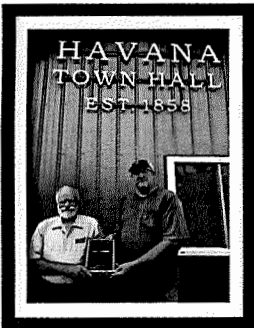
# MILESTONES



**Greg Kvasnicka**, is recognized for 43 years of board service to **Park Township (Pine County)**; 42 years serving as clerk. 2025 ends an era of Kvasnicka family continuous service to Park; which began with Greg's grandfather Joseph in 1923. Joseph's sons Wesley, Felix and Paul served short tenures, but Greg's father Carl served primarily as clerk from 1942 until his death in 1983. Greg concludes the tenure of "Kvasnicka" service to Park, 102 years after it began. Greg thanks his wife, Linda, for her support, of the countless hours he has devoted to clerking for the township. Pictured L-R: Daryl Zebrasky (chair), Greg Kvasnicka (clerk), Pete Saxe and Josh Day (supervisors). Not pictured: Dave Nelson (treasurer).



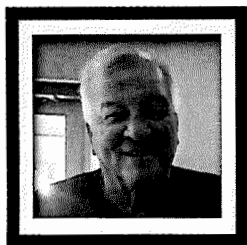
**Wallace Nelson Sundal Township (Norman County)** celebrated the retirement of Wallace Nelson, township treasurer for 45 years. His dedication and service to Sundal Township has been greatly appreciated. Congratulations Wally on a job well done, we all wish you the best in your retirement.



**Steve Dornquast Havana Township (Steele County)** would like to congratulate Steve Dornquast on his recent retirement. Steve has served Havana Township in numerous capacities. From 2002-03, he served as the clerk; from 2005-25, Steve served as the township treasurer and from 2019-25, he served as the treasurer of the Township Association in Steele County. Steve was presented with a plaque on June 4th to honor his years of service. Even though he has lived in 3 places in his life, he has not been more than 1 mile from the town hall that was a schoolhouse when he was young. Thank you, Steve, for your many years of service to Havana Township! Pictured L-R: Steve Dornquast, Treasurer and Dave Joachim,



**Dale Dicke** The Township Board and residents of **Goodhue Township (Goodhue County)** congratulate Dale Dicke on his 33 years of dedicated service as Supervisor and also Chairman for many of those years. Thank you for all your work, Dale. Enjoy your retirement! Pictured L-R: Dale Dicke, George Raasch (Supervisor), Robert Hinsch (Supervisor)



**Timothy S. Tomsich** supervisor in **Breitung Township (St. Louis County)**, served from 1980 – 2025, chairman for many of those years. Tim served Breitung Township dutifully for 45 years, his service and commitment to our community are appreciated by the current board and Breitung residents. Thank you, Tim!

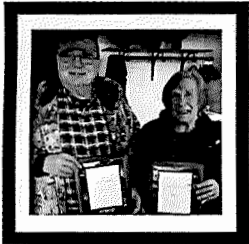
# MILESTONES



**Darwyn Slechta**, has been a dedicated supervisor for **Waterville Township (LeSueur County)** for 51 years. The Board and residents thanked Darwyn for his dedication and the for the breadth of knowledge of the Township roads and projects that he had. He will be missed! Enjoy your retirement! Pictured L-R: Stephanie Conroy (Deputy Clerk), Traci Murphy (Clerk/Treasurer), Alan Gehrke (Chairman), Darwyn Slechta (retired Supervisor), Francis "Fritz" Cummins (Supervisor), and Steven Volkman (newly elected Supervisor).



**Patty & Tony Maruska, Linda Klinkhammer**  
Three individuals have retired from **Island Lake Township (Mahnomen County)**. Thank you all! Pictured L-R: Patty - 8 years of service, Tony - 50+ years of service, and Linda - 45 years of service.



**Velma Alleckson & Larry Gehrking** The **Hammer Township (Yellow Medicine County)** Board and residents would like to say thank you to Larry for his 33 years as township supervisor and Velma for her 30 years as the township treasurer. Your experience will be missed. Best wishes for the future.



**Donald Klinkhammer** On Township Day, **Long Prairie Township (Todd County)** celebrated the retirement of Donald Klinkhammer. Donny served as Long Prairie Township Supervisor for 23 years. This spring, he was recognized for his long and faithful service to the township board. We appreciate all the time and effort Donny contributed to the maintenance of our township roads, culverts and ditches as well as multiple other township projects. Thank you! Pictured L-R: Chuck Wolf, Supervisor; Glenn Park, Supervisor; Donald Klinkhammer, Supervisor; Randy Meyer, Treasurer; and Walter Zastrow, Clerk.

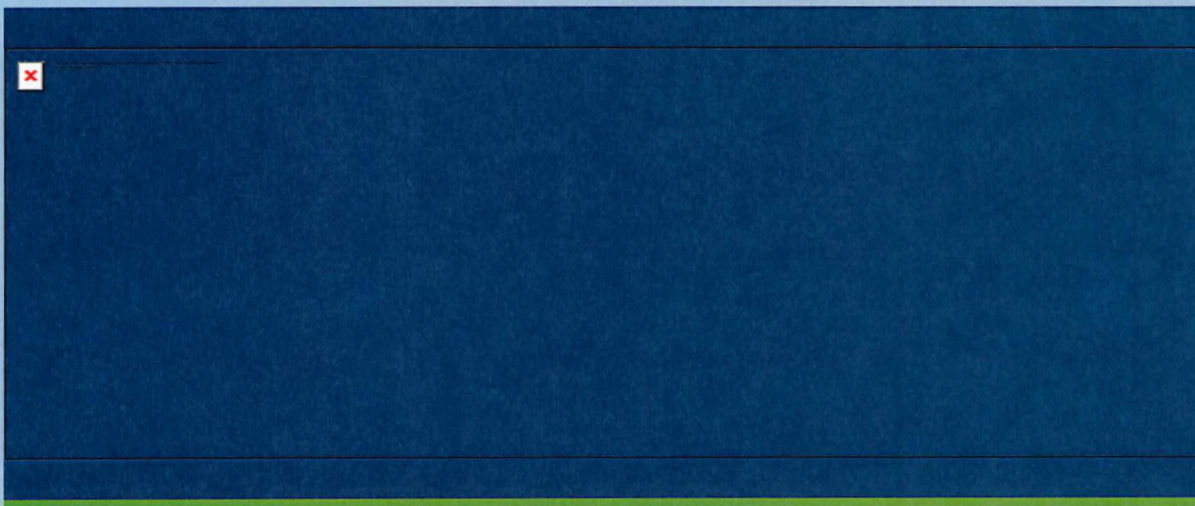
**Susan Falk** is retiring as clerk after 16 years with **Birch Lake Township (Cass County)**. She writes that she enjoyed her time working with the different members of the board over the years. Congrats on your retirement! (no picture)

**Jorgine Gornick**, treasurer in **Breitung Township (St. Louis County)**, served from 1995–2025. Jorgine has been a stalwart for the community, always friendly, helpful, hardworking, and kind. Thank you for your many years of service, Jorgine! Congratulations! (no picture)

**SEND MILESTONES TO:**  
info@mntownships.org  
or MN Association of Townships  
PO Box 267  
St. Michael, MN 55376

Please include a photo and a writeup.

**From:** Iron Range Resources & Rehabilitation <IRRRB@public.govdelivery.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 4, 2025 10:02 AM  
**To:** clerk@breitungtownship.org  
**Subject:** INVITATION: State of the Range 2025



## State of the Range 2025

*Hosted by Iron Range Resources & Rehabilitation*

Please join us for the 2nd Annual State of the Range. We look forward to welcoming you for an evening of insightful regional updates from special guest speakers, light refreshments and a cash bar. Together, we'll reflect on the progress, milestones and challenges that have shaped our region over the past year and explore the opportunities that lie ahead.

### DETAILS

- Wednesday, Sept. 17
- Iron Trail Motors Event Center, 919 6th St. S., Virginia, Minnesota
- 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. - Arrival
- 4:45 - 6:00 p.m. - Speakers
- 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. - Social Networking/Cash Bar

Pre-registration is required. Reserve your free ticket by Friday, Sept. 5 at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com).

Limited space available.

**clerk@breitungtownship.org**

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**From:** Sarah Hansen <shansen@isd2142.k12.mn.us>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 6, 2025 12:08 PM  
**To:** clerk@breitungtownship.org  
**Subject:** Truck Night Date - Tuesday

Hi Amber

We have decided to have Truck Night on Tuesday September 23rd! Last year it was 4:30-6:30 at the park. The specific time slot will likely be similar.

Sarah

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Sarah Hansen (she/her)  
Parent & Family Educator, Early Childhood Family Education  
Northeast Range School & Tower-Soudan School, ISD 2142  
[shansen@isd2142.k12.mn.us](mailto:shansen@isd2142.k12.mn.us)



# BREITUNG POLICE DEPARTMENT

SERVING BREITUNG TOWNSHIP, THE TOWN OF SOUDAN, AND THE CITY OF TOWER

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DANIEL REING  
CHIEF OF POLICE

## July 2025 Monthly Report

**Calls for Service (ICRs)**            166

**Arrests**                                    2

1 adult female arrested for Disorderly Conduct

1 adult male arrested for a Gross Misdemeanor Warrant

**Citations**                                8

1 adult female citation for Disorderly Conduct

1 juvenile male citation for Disorderly Conduct

1 adult male for Driving After Revocation (DAR)

1 adult male for Driving After Revocation (DAR)

1 adult male citation for Speed (75/50)

1 adult male citation for Speed (73/50)

1 adult male citation for Speed (68/40)

1 adult male citation for Speed (80/60)



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It was a busy July. The weather was hot and wet. Our July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend went well. There were unconfirmed reports of well over 8000 attendees for the parade this year. With the hot weather many attendees did leave a bit earlier than they expected. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

I want to thank all of the Breitung Officers for their hard work during the weekend and this year again. I have a tremendous staff. I am grateful for all of their contributions.

Speeding haul trucks were a constant complaint from area residents this month. General speeding between Tower and Soudan was also mentioned as being an issue as well.

I participated in TZD shifts this month and also assisted East Range Police at their annual Water Carnival this year. Summer is always a busy time; agencies are always willing to help each other out.

Summer is going by fast, get out and enjoy it This hot weather won't last much longer. Football season, leaves changing, and cooler nights are coming.

**Breitung Fire & Rescue**  
**Box 337**  
**33 1<sup>st</sup> Ave.**  
**Soudan, Mn. 55782**

**July 2025 Fire Dept Report**

Our regular monthly fire department meeting was held on 7/9/2025.

This month's training consisted of switching out and familiarization of the new turn out gear and other PPE equipment. We also cleaned out and organized lockers and set up our equipment for a faster response time.

We spent many hours getting ready for the fourth of July Celebration getting the fire trucks cleaned and setting up the Beer Tent. We also participated in the Breitung fourth of July picnic.

For the month of July we responded to several calls including a medical, CO2 Alarm and several assist other agency calls. Many of the assist other agency calls were cancelled before our arrival.

## Road and Bridge Report August 2025

Usual mowing and trimming

Bituminous patching around town

Brushing and tree removal

Sewer lateral inspections

Finished hosting base ball games (24 total for the year)

Building and grounds maintenance at the ball field

Set up and assist with old settlers picnic

On going maintenance at hockey rink

Painted fire hydrants

Maintenance on equipment

Repaired guard rails

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
GRANT CONTRACT AGREEMENT

<b>PO ID</b> 3000011142	<b>PO Date</b> August 13, 2025		<b>Fiscal Year</b> 2026	<b>Grant Award</b> \$155,200.00
<b>Vendor ID</b> 0000198385	<b>Fund</b> 2370	<b>Fin Dept ID</b> B4335370	<b>Approp ID</b> B43TCPR	<b>Account</b> 441352

This grant contract agreement is between the State of Minnesota, acting through its Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation ("hereinafter, Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation or State") and Breitung Township, 33 1st Avenue, Soudan, Minnesota, 55782 ("GRANTEE").

## Recitals

1. Under Minn. Stat. § 298.22, subd. 13, Taconite Environmental Protection Fund (Minn. Stat. § 298.223) and pursuant to Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board Resolution No. 25-032 the State is empowered to enter into this grant contract agreement.
2. The State is in need of the duties specified in Exhibit A, which is attached and incorporated into this grant contract agreement.
3. The Grantee represents that it is duly qualified and agrees to perform all services described in this grant contract to the satisfaction of the State.

## Grant Contract Agreement

### 1 Term of Grant Contract Agreement

#### 1.1 Effective Date.

August 17, 2025, or the date the State obtains all required signatures, whichever is later.

Per Minn. Stat. Sec. 16B.98, Subd. 5, **the Grantee must not begin work until this Grant Contract agreement is fully executed and the State's Authorized Representative has notified the Grantee that work may commence.**

Per, Minn. Stat. Sec. 16B.98, Subd. 7, no payments will be made to the Grantee until this grant contract agreement is fully executed.

#### 1.2 Expiration Date.

December 31, 2026, or until all obligations have been satisfactorily fulfilled, whichever occurs first.

#### 1.3 Survival of Terms.

**The following clauses survive the expiration or cancellation of this Grant Contract Agreement: Liability; State Audits; Government Data Practices and Intellectual Property; Publicity and Endorsement; Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue; and Data Disclosure.**

### 2 Specifications, Duties, and Scope of Work

The parties will perform the services outlined in Exhibit A: Specifications, Duties and Scope of Work.

### **3 Time**

The Grantee must comply with all the time requirements described in this Grant Contract Agreement. In the performance of this Grant Contract Agreement, time is of the essence and failure to meet a deadline date may be a basis for a determination by the State's Authorized Representative that the Grantee has not complied with the terms of the Grant Contract Agreement. The Grantee is required to perform all the duties cited within clause two "Specifications, Duties, and Scope of Work" within the grant period. The State is not obligated to extend the grant period.

### **4 Consideration and Terms of Payment**

**The consideration for all services performed by the Grantee pursuant to this Grant Contract Agreement shall be paid by the State as follows:**

**4.1 Compensation. The total obligation of the State under this Grant Contract Agreement, including all compensation and reimbursements, is not to exceed \$155,200.00 which shall be paid in accordance with the terms outlined in Exhibit B: Payment Schedule, which is attached and incorporated into this Grant Contract Agreement.**

#### **4.2 Administrative Costs.**

**Grantee administrative costs must be necessary and reasonable.**

#### **4.3 Travel Expenses.**

Reimbursement for travel and subsistence expenses actually and necessarily incurred by the Grantee as a result of this Grant Contract Agreement will be according to the breakdown of costs contained in Exhibit B. The Grantee will not be reimbursed for travel and subsistence expenses incurred outside Minnesota unless it has received the State's prior written approval for out of state travel. Minnesota will be considered the home state for determining whether travel is out of state.

The Grantee will be reimbursed for travel and subsistence expenses in the same manner and in no greater amount than provided in the current Commissioner's Plan promulgated by the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget.

#### **4.4 Invoices**

Payments shall be made by the State after the Grantee's presentation of invoices for services satisfactorily performed and the written acceptance of such services by the State's Authorized Representative. Invoices shall be submitted timely, with additional details as requested by the State, and according to Exhibit B.

#### **4.5 Unexpended Funds**

The Grantee must promptly return to the State any unexpended funds that have not been accounted for in a financial report to the State.

### **5 Conditions of Payment**

All All services provided by the Grantee under this Grant Contract Agreement must be performed to

the State's satisfaction, as determined at the sole discretion of the State's Authorized Representative and in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations. The Grantee will not receive payment for work found by the State to be unsatisfactory or performed in violation of federal, state, or local law.

## **6 Contracting and Bidding Requirements**

The Grantee is required to comply with [Minnesota Statutes § 471.345, Uniform Municipal Contracting Law](#).

**6.1** The Grantee and any subrecipients must comply with prevailing wage rules per [Minnesota Statutes §§ 177.41](#) through [177.500](#), as applicable.

**6.2** The Grantee and any subrecipients must not contract with vendors who are suspended or debarred by the State of Minnesota or the federal government: [Suspended and Debarred Vendors, Minnesota Office of State Procurement](#).

**6.3** The Grantee must maintain written standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest and governing the actions of its employees engaged in the selection, award and administration of contracts

## **7 Authorized Representatives**

**7.1** The State's Authorized Representative is Danae Beaudette, 4261 Hwy 53 S., Eveleth, Minnesota, 55734, 218-735-3022, danae.beaudette@state.mn.us or their successor, and has the responsibility to monitor the Grantee's performance and the authority to accept the services provided under this Grant Contract Agreement. If the services are satisfactory, the State's Authorized Representative will certify acceptance on each invoice submitted for payment.

**7.2** The Grantee's Authorized Representative is Amber M Zak, 33 1st Avenue, Soudan, Minnesota, 55782, 218-753-6020, clerk@breitungtownship.org or their successor. If the Grantee's Authorized Representative changes at any time during this Grant Contract Agreement, the Grantee must immediately notify the state.

**7.3** The Grantee must clearly post on the Grantee's website the names of, and contact information for, the Grantee's leadership and the employee or other person who directly manages and oversees this Grant Contract Agreement on behalf of the Grantee.

## **8 Assignment, Amendments, Waiver, and Contract Complete**

### **8.1 Assignment.**

The Grantee shall neither assign nor transfer any rights or obligations under this grant contract without the prior written consent of the State, approved by the same parties who executed and approved this grant contract, or their successors in office.

### **8.2 Amendments.**

Any amendments to this grant contract must be in writing and will not be effective until it has been executed and approved by the same parties who executed and approved the original grant contract, or their successors in office.

### **8.3 Waiver.**

If the State fails to enforce any provision of this grant contract, that failure does not waive the provision or the State's right to enforce it.

### **8.4 Contract Complete.**

This grant contract contains all negotiations and agreements between the State and the Grantee. No other understanding regarding this grant contract, whether written or oral, may be used to bind either party.

## **9 Subcontracting and Subcontract Payment**

**9.1 A subrecipient is a person or entity that has been awarded a portion of the work authorized by this Grant Contract Agreement by Grantee. The Grantee must document any subaward through a formal legal agreement. The Grantee must provide timely notice to the State of any subrecipient(s) prior to the subrecipient(s) performing work under this Grant Contract Agreement.**

**9.2 The Grantee must monitor the activities of the subrecipient(s) to ensure the subaward is used for authorized purposes; is in compliance with the terms and conditions of the subaward, [Minnesota Statutes § 16B.97, Subd.4 \(a\) \(1\)](#) and other relevant statutes and regulations; and that subaward performance goals are achieved.**

**9.3 During this Grant Contract Agreement, if a subrecipient is determined to be performing unsatisfactorily by the State's Authorized Representative, the Grantee will receive written notification that the subrecipient can no longer be used for this Grant Contract Agreement.**

**9.4 No subagreement shall serve to terminate or in any way affect the primary legal responsibility of the Grantee for timely and satisfactory performances of the obligations contemplated by the Grant Contract Agreement.**

**9.5 The Grantee must pay any subrecipient in accordance with [Minnesota Statutes § 16A.1245](#).**

**9.6 The Grantee and any subrecipients must not contract with vendors who are suspended or debarred by the State of Minnesota or the federal government.**

## **10 Liability**

The Grantee must indemnify, save, and hold the State, its agents, and employees harmless from any claims or causes of action, including attorney's fees incurred by the State, arising from performance of this Grant Contract Agreement by the Grantee or the Grantee's agents or employees. This clause will not be construed to bar any legal remedies the Grantee may have for the State's failure to fulfill its obligations under this Grant Contract Agreement.

## **11 State Audits**

Under [Minnesota Statutes § 16B.98, Subd. 8](#), the Grantee's books, records, documents, and accounting procedures and practices relevant to this Grant Contract Agreement are subject to examination by the Commissioner of Administration, the State granting agency, the State Auditor, the Attorney General, and the Legislative Auditor, as appropriate, for a minimum of six years from the expiration or termination of this Grant Contract Agreement, receipt and approval of all final reports, or the required period of time to satisfy all State and program retention requirements, whichever is later.

## **12 Government Data Practices and Intellectual Property Rights**

### **12.1 Government Data Practices.**

The Grantee and State must comply with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, [Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13](#), as it applies to all data provided by the State under this grant contract, and as it applies to all data created, collected, received, stored, used, maintained, or disseminated by the Grantee under this grant contract. The civil remedies of [Minnesota Statutes § 13.08](#) apply to the release of the data referred to in this clause by either the Grantee or the State.

If the Grantee receives a request to release the data referred to in this Clause, the Grantee must immediately notify the State. The State will give the Grantee instructions concerning the release of the data to the requesting party before the data is released. The Grantee's response to the request shall comply with applicable law.

### **12.2 Intellectual Property Rights.**

The State shall own all rights, title and interest in any intellectual property that is derived or developed pursuant to this grant contract, including but not limited to copyrights, patents, trade secrets, trademarks and service marks in any works or documents created and paid for pursuant to this contract.

## **13 Workers Compensation**

The Grantee certifies that it is in compliance with [Minnesota Statutes § 176.181, Subd. 2](#), pertaining to workers' compensation insurance coverage. The Grantee's employees and agents will not be considered State employees. Any claims that may arise under the Minnesota Workers' Compensation Act on behalf of these employees and any claims made by any third party as a consequence of any act or omission on the part of these employees are in no way the State's obligation or responsibility.

## **14 Governing Law, Jurisdiction, Venue**

Venue for all legal proceedings out of this Grant Contract Agreement, or its breach, must be in the appropriate state or federal court with competent jurisdiction in Ramsey County, Minnesota

## **15 Termination**

### **15.1 Termination by the State.**

#### **A. Without Cause.**

The State may terminate this grant contract agreement without cause, upon 30 days' written notice to the Grantee. Upon termination, the Grantee will be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata basis, for services satisfactorily performed.

#### **B. With Cause.**

The State may immediately terminate this Grant Contract Agreement if the State finds that there has been a failure to comply with the provisions of this grant contract, that reasonable progress has not been made, or that the purposes for which the funds were granted have not been or will not be fulfilled. The State may take action to protect the interests of the State of Minnesota, including the refusal to disburse additional funds and requiring the return of all or part of the funds already disbursed.

### **15.2 Termination by the Commissioner of Administration.**

The Commissioner of Administration may immediately and unilaterally terminate this Grant Contract Agreement if further performance under the agreement would not serve agency purposes or performance under the Grant Contract Agreement is not in the best interest of the State.

### **15.3 Termination for Insufficient Funding.**

The State may immediately terminate this Grant Contract Agreement if it does not obtain funding from the Minnesota Legislature, or other funding source; or if funding cannot be continued at a level sufficient to allow for the payment of the services addressed within this Grant Contract Agreement. Termination must be by written notice to the Grantee. The State is not obligated to pay for any services that are provided after notice and effective date of termination. However, the Grantee will be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata basis, for services satisfactorily performed to the extent that dedicated funds are available.

In the event of temporary lack of funding or appropriation, the State may pause its obligations under this Grant Contract Agreement without terminating it. This pause will be for the duration of the lack of funding or appropriation and shall not be considered a termination of the Grant Contract Agreement. The Grantee will be notified in writing of the temporary pause, and the Grantee's ability to provide services may be temporarily suspended during this period. The State will provide reasonable notice to the Grantee of the lack of funding or appropriation and shall notify the Grantee once funding is restored or appropriated, at which point the provision of services under the Grant Contract Agreement may resume.

The State will not be assessed any penalty if the Grant Contract Agreement is terminated due to insufficient funding. The State must provide the Grantee notice of the lack of funding within a reasonable time of the State's receiving notice.

## **16 Publicity and Endorsement**

### **16.1 Publicity.**

Any publicity pertaining to the services resulting from this Grant Contract Agreement shall identify the State as the sponsoring agency. Publicity includes, but is not limited to: websites, social media platforms, notices, informational pamphlets, press releases, research, reports, signs, and similar public notices prepared by or for the Grantee or its employees individually or jointly with others or any subcontractors. All projects primarily funded by state grant appropriations must publicly credit the State, including on the grantee's website, when practicable.

### **16.2 Endorsement.**

The Grantee must not claim that the State endorses its products or services.

## **17 Data Disclosure**

Under [Minnesota Statutes § 270C.65](#), Subd. 3, and other applicable law, the Grantee consents to disclosure of its social security number, federal employer tax identification number, and/or Minnesota tax identification number, already provided to the State, to federal and state tax agencies and state personnel involved in the payment of state obligations. These identification numbers may be used in the enforcement of federal and state tax laws which could result in action requiring the Grantee to file state tax returns and pay delinquent state tax liabilities, if any.

## **Exhibits**

The following Exhibits are attached and incorporated into this Grant Contract Agreement. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Grant Contract Agreement and its Exhibits, or between Exhibits, the order of precedence is first the Grant Contract Agreement, and then in the following order:

**Exhibit A: Specifications, Duties, and Scope of Work**

**Exhibit B: Payment Schedule**

This document may be executed in counterparts. The parties may provide electronic signatures pursuant to

the authority of Minn. Stat. Ch. 325L.

### Grant Contract Agreement Signatures

#### 1. STATE ENCUMBRANCE VERIFICATION

#### 3. STATE AGENCY *With delegated authority*

*Individual certifies that funds have been encumbered as required by Minn. Stat." 16A.15*

Electronically Approved and Signed  
Signed: Dave Kallio  
Title: Accounting Director  
Date: August 13, 2025  
SWIFT Contract No. 3000011142

Electronically Approved and Signed  
By: Ida Rukavina  
Title: Commissioner  
Date: August 17, 2025

#### 2. GRANTEE

*with delegated authority*

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Distribution: Agency, Grantee and State's Authorized Representative

## **EXHIBIT A:**

### **Specifications, Duties and Scope of Work**

The Grantee, will use the Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation (State) monies provided to Breitung Township for Vermilion Loop Trail Construction.

The agency requires a 1:1 match per project. In-kind materials and/or labor ARE NOT eligible towards the project.

Eligible expenses are outlined in the budget of the application and included in Exhibit B. Related expenses must be pre-approved by the agency's Authorized Representative.

In the event that the project scope is materially reduced or altered, the Grantee shall provide written notification to the State immediately. Such notification is required to facilitate the State's review and determination of any necessary adjustments to the approved grant budget and/or awarded funding amount.

### **Reporting Requirements**

The grantee will submit a progress report to the Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation prior to the grant reaching 12 months, and annually thereafter until grant funds have been expended and all of the terms of the grant agreement have been met.

The grantee will submit a final report to the agency prior to final disbursement of grant funds.

The agency's authorized representative may conduct a site visit or call as a monitoring requirement for the project.

### **Acknowledgement**

As a condition of receiving grant funding, grantee agrees to acknowledgment of the grant by displaying signage that is clearly visible to the public. Signage will be provided by Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation, and may be in the form of a plaque, construction site board, window decal, or other signage.

## EXHIBIT B:

### Payment Schedule

The total obligation of the State for all compensation and reimbursements to the Grantee under this grant contract agreement will not exceed \$155,200.00.

The Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation (State) will promptly pay the Grantee after the Grantee:

1. **Presents itemized invoices** for the services actually performed and the agency's Authorized Representatives accepts the invoiced services. Invoices must be submitted timely and according to the following schedule: reimbursement upon submission of invoices upon completion of stages of work on the project and/or completion of the entire project done in accordance with this Agreement.

For any construction and public works project where prevailing wage laws apply

2. **Signs and submits the [Prevailing Wage Certification Form](#)**, when required under Minn. Stat. § 116J.871.
3. **Completed and submits certified payroll records**, when required under Minn. Stat. §177.30

### Budget Detail

Expense Description	Funding Source: Applicant	Funding Source: IRRR	Funding Source: MnDOT Active Transportation Grant Program	Funding Source:	Funding Source:	Total Funding
Expense 1 Trail Construction			\$697,500			\$697,500
Expense 2 Wetland Permitting		\$25,000				\$25,000
Expense 3 Legal & Fiscal		\$6,000				\$6,000
Expense 4 Easement/Right of Way		\$5,000				\$5,000
Expense 5 Bidding & permitting		\$7,500				\$7,500
Expense 6 Construction Management		\$59,000				\$59,000
Expense 7 Construction Management St Louis County		\$2,500				\$2,500

<b>Expense 8</b> Airport FAA Consultant/Permits		\$25,200				\$25,200
<b>Expense 9</b> Utility Pole Relocation		\$20,000				\$20,000
<b>Expense 10</b> Benches and Trail Signage		\$5,000				\$5,000
<b><i>Total</i></b>		\$155,200	\$697,500			\$852,700

## Flood Update

08/19/2025

- No updates – waiting on payments from MN Homeland Security Emergency Management
- Emailed Wayne Lamoreaux of MN-HSEM on 8/13/2025, received an out of office until 08/15/2025, will follow up with him if I have not heard by the end of this week.
- Anticipating additional payments of \$108,788.04 in repair & mitigation of roads and management costs – management costs are capped at 5%, covers payments for clerk and maintenance supervisor management work as well as JPJ estimate costs. Date for payment was expected 30 – 60 days from last meeting, but is now unknown
- Anticipating payment of \$8,963.78 for Stuntz Bay Road repairs is currently obligated, the township has the option to do \$8,963.78 worth of mitigation as well. Repairs & mitigation need to be completed within 18 months of the event (June 18, 2024) so the repairs need to happen this summer and bills submitted prior to 12/18/25 in order to be covered.

Respectfully,

Amber Zak, Clerk

## **Breitung Employee Handbook Proposed Changes:**

### **Worker's Compensation**

#### **To be included after current final paragraph:**

When an injury or illness occurs during the course of employment, employees eligible for Workers' Compensation will receive their payments directly from the Workers' Compensation Insurance Company, which is generally 66% of the regular wages received during the time period one year prior and up to the date of the claim. Employees may supplement their Workers' Compensation income by using available Earned Sick and Safe Leave, see page 18.

### **Earned Sick and Safe Leave**

#### **To be included as a 7<sup>th</sup> bullet point in Section 3.1:**

The employee is receiving Workers' Compensation and would like to supplement their income by using Earned Sick and Safe Leave Time to fulfill for the remaining percentage of regular wage not paid by Workers' Compensation

### **Table of Contents**

Clerical changes due to lengthening of document and page number adjustments

## **Excerpt from Breitung Township Employee Handbook, page 26:**

### ***WORKERS' COMPENSATION***

*Breitung Township provides a comprehensive workers' compensation insurance program to all employees. The program covers injuries or illnesses that occur during the course of employment. Employees must immediately report any work-related injury or illness to their supervisor, regardless of how minor the injury or illness may seem.*

*Breitung Township supports the practice of bringing injured employees back to work, as soon as they are medically able, to a position that is compatible with any physical restrictions they may have.*

*The prompt return of injured employees to positions within their medical restrictions will minimize the impact of work-related injuries. Coming back to work early helps employees remain functional as they recover, while providing Breitung Township with the valuable use of their talents. It also helps control workers' compensation costs.*

*Current positions may be modified to fit the medical limitations of injured employees by modifying workstations, altering specific tasks, or working reduced hours. If this is not possible, temporary transitional jobs may be made available.*

*If any employee has questions regarding Breitung Township's return-to-work program, they should discuss them with their supervisor.*

**Excerpt from Breitung Township Employee Handbook, page 18:**

***Section 3. Earned Sick and Safe Leave Use***

*ESSL may be used as it is accrued in the smallest increment of time tracked by the Township's payroll system, which is fifteen (15) minutes.*

*3.1. Eligible employees can use ESSL for the following reasons:*

- *The employee's mental or physical illness, injury, or health condition; need for diagnosis, care, or treatment; or need for preventative care;*
- *A family member's mental or physical illness, injury, or health condition; need for diagnosis, care, or treatment; or need for preventative care;*
- *Absence due to domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking of the employee or a family member;*
- *Closure of the employee's workplace due to weather or public emergency or an employee's need to care for a family member due to closure of the family member's school or place of care due to weather or public emergency;*
- *The employee's inability to work or telework because the employee is:*
  - *Prohibited from working by the employer due to health concerns related to the potential transmission of a communicable illness related to a public emergency;*
  - or*
  - *Seeking or awaiting the results of a diagnostic test for, or a medical diagnosis of, a communicable disease related to a public emergency and such employee has been exposed to a communicable disease or the employee's employer has requested a test or diagnosis; and*
- *When determined by a health authority or health care professional that the employee or family member is at risk of infecting others with a communicable disease.*

RESOLUTION 2025-18  
BREITUNG TOWNSHIP of St. Louis County, MN  
**A Resolution to Certify Final 2025 Breitung Township Property Tax Levy to  
Saint Louis County**

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS  
TOWNSHIP OF BREITUNG

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota statute requires that the Breitung Township Board certify a property tax levy to the Saint Louis County Auditor's Office Tax Division; and

WHEREAS, the Breitung Township Board hereby adopts the following property tax levy for Breitung Township for payable year 2026 is as follows; and

General Fund	\$150,057.00	19.41%
Road and Bridge	\$372,967.00	48.25%
Fire	\$77,955.00	10.09%
Recreation	\$38,056.00	4.92%
Police	\$133,965.00	17.33%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$773,000.00</b>	<b>100%</b>

WHEREAS, the property tax levy tax base for the Township of Breitung for payable year 2026 is as follows; and

**Tax Capacity Based Levy \$773,000.00**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HERBY RESOLVED that the authorizing authority of the Township of Breitung does adopt this resolution.

Upon vote taken, the following voted by Chairman Tuchel, Supervisor Peitso, Supervisor Tekautz:  
For:  
Against:

Whereupon said Resolution NO. 2025-18 was declared duly passed and adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2025.

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Matthew Tuchel, Chairman

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Amber Zak, Clerk

***FINAL TOWN LEVY – ST LOUIS COUNTY***

Contact Name:	AMBER ZAK - CLERK
Phone #:	218-753-6020
E-Mail Address:	CLERK@BREITUNG TOWNSHIP.ORG

The annual tax levy for the year of 2025 collectible in 2026 for the Town of Breitung was adopted by resolution passed at a Town Council meeting held on, AUGUST 19, 2025.

**LEVY PURPOSE**

**CERTIFIED LEVY**

**Net Tax Capacity (NTC) Levies**

1. General Fund (See reverse side)	\$ 400,033.00
2. General Obligation Bonded Debt	\$ 0.00
3. Other Debt	\$ 0.00
4. Road & Bridge	\$ 372,967.00
5. Miscellaneous (See reverse side)	\$ 0.00
<b>6. Total of NTC Levies (Add lines 1 thru 5)</b>	<b>\$ 773,000.00</b>

**Referendum Market Value (RMV) Levies**

7. General Obligation Bonded Debt	\$ 0.00
8. Other Debt	\$ 0.00
<b>9. Total of RMV Levies (Add lines 7 &amp; 8)</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>

<b>Total Levy (NTC+RMV) (Add lines 6 &amp; 9)</b>	<b>\$ 773,000.00</b>
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*(Complete when total of Debt levies is less than certified debt)*

The amount levied for total debt is less than the amount due to be paid from this levy because we have \$ \_\_\_\_\_ on hand.

**CERTIFICATION**

*State of Minnesota – County of St. Louis*

I, AMBER ZAK, Clerk/Administrator of the Town of Breitung, St. Louis County, Minnesota, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with Original Resolution now on file and of record in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy and transcript of said original resolution.

Witness by My Hand and the Seal of the Minnesota, Town of Breitung, St. Louis County, this 19TH day of AUGUST, 2025.

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Clerk / Administrator

## LEVIES THAT QUALIFY UNDER GENERAL

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>LEGAL REFERENCE</u>
AIRPORTS	360.037 C/T
AQUATIC VEGETATION CONTROL	103G.625, S.3 C/T
AMBULANCE SERVICE	471.476, S.2 C/T
BAND, ORCHESTRA OR CHORUS	449.09 C/T
CEMETERY	365.10 T
CIVIL DEFENSE	12.26 C/T
COMMUNITY CORRECTION CENTERS	241.31 C/T
COMMEMORATIVE PURPOSES	365.106 T
DUMP GROUNDS (PURCHASE AND MAINTENANCE)	365.10 T
FIRE OR POLICE APPARATUS	365.15 TO 365.19 T
FIRE OR POLICE PROTECTION	465.73 T
FIREFIGHTERS RELIEF	69.772; 69.773; 424A.02 C/T
INSECT PESTS, CONTROL OF	18.022 S.2 L. 1991 C/T
LIBRARY	134.07; 134.12, S.3 C
MEMORIAL BUILDING	416.02 C
MOSQUITO ABATEMENT	18.111 C/T
MUNICIPAL FOREST	459.06 C/T
MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT	449.08; 449.06; 412.251 C
PARK	365.10 T
PARK DISTRICT (OPERATION AND MAINT)	398.16 C/T
PARKING FACILITIES	459.14 C
PROMOTION OF SAFETY & PRESERVATION OF HUMAN LIFE	471.63 C/T
REC. FACILITIES – IRON RANGE	471.1921 C/T
REC. FACILITIES – NOT IRON RANGE	471.91, S.2 C
RETIREMENT, EMPLOYEES	
PERA	353.28 C/T
OSIA	355.80; 355.299 C/T
ON LEAVE FROM STATE	352.041 C/T
SEWERS & SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANTS	
CONSTRUCTION	444.075, S1, 4 C/T
USE FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES	444.075, S.3 C/T
SHELTERED WORKSHOPS	129A.06 C/T
TELEPHONE	237.35 T
VOTING MACHINES	206.12 C/T
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL	115.46; 115.50 C/T

## LEVIES THAT QUALIFY UNDER MISCELLANEOUS

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>LEGAL REFERENCE</u>
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	469.107 C
JUDGEMENT: GENERAL	465.14 C; 365.42 T
FIREMEN	471.86 C/T
PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT AND REPLACEMENT	471.571 C
POLICE PENSION (RELIEF)	69.77 C/T
STATE POST-AUDIT EXPENCE	6.62 C/T
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT IMPROVEMENT	429.051 C/T

Township of Breitung  
Budget Changes

	<u>2019 vs</u> <u>2018</u>	<u>2020 vs</u> <u>2019</u>	<u>2021 vs</u> <u>2020</u>	<u>2022 vs</u> <u>2021</u>	<u>2023 vs</u> <u>2022</u>	<u>2024 vs</u> <u>2023</u>	<u>2025 vs</u> <u>2024</u>	<u>2026 vs</u> <u>2025</u>
Previous Year levy	\$510,000	\$542,000	\$616,000	\$616,000	\$656,000	\$656,000	\$690,000	\$740,000
<u>Police:</u>								
Wages - Full and part time								
<u>Fire Department</u>								
Programs & Rebuilding	10,000							
Ambulance subsidy		2,500						
<u>Recreation</u>								
Engineering/Architectural planning	2,000							
Skating rink boards				10,000				
<u>General</u>								
Cemetery assistance		1,500						
Liability & workers comp insurance						5,000		
Town Hall improvements loan payment		40,000						
<u>Road &amp; Bridge</u>								
Training-replacement employee		30,000						
Medical insurance, benefits & wages						4,000	5,000	3,000
Road maintenance & snow removal	5,000			30,000		30,000	40,000	30,000
Water Commission - infrastructure	15,000							
<u>Energy</u>								
gasoline and diesel fuel pricing								
Heating fuel - propane								
<b>Total Change in budget</b>	<b>32,000</b>	<b>74,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>40,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>34,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>33,000</b>
 Total levy	 \$542,000	 \$616,000	 \$616,000	 \$656,000	 \$656,000	 \$690,000	 \$740,000	 \$773,000
<b>Percent change in levy</b>	<b>6.27</b>	<b>13.65</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>6.49</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5.18</b>	<b>7.25</b>	<b>4.46</b>

- Fire and Rescue Report – Chief Trevor Banks touched on highlights from the year and mentioned the upcoming 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the department  
Motion by Dianna Sunsdahl to accept Fire and Rescue Report as presented  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Trevor Banks  
Motion passed unanimously
- McKinley Park Report – Report included in the packet, highlights mentioned by Tim Tomsich  
Motion made by Dianna Sunsdahl to accept McKinley Park Report as presented  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Teresa Dolinar  
Motion passed unanimously
- Chairman’s Report – Read by Tim Tomsich, included announcement of retirement  
Motion made by Greg Doster to accept report as presented  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Amber Zak  
Motion passed unanimously

### **Tax Levy**

Tim Tomsich reviewed the levy reports and stated that the Breitung Town board recommended a \$33,000/4.46% increase with funds being applied to Road & Bridge: \$3,000 for medical insurance, benefits & wages and \$30,000 for road maintenance & snow removal

Motion made by Stephen Tekautz to approve the recommended levy increase as recommended by the town board

2<sup>nd</sup> by Trevor Banks

Discussion: Dianna Sunsdahl questioned whether the \$20,000 left over from the Recreation levy could be used for Road & Bridge; Tim Tomsich explained the remainder was earmarked for improvements at the Baseball Field and Park repairs, further noted that the township would have the opportunity to apply for the IRRR Culture & Tourism grant this spring which, if received, would require a 50/50 match.

Amber Zak questioned what the \$30,000 increase would specifically be used for. Tim Tomsich explained that there were two projects (Center Street & Echo Point Rd) originally lined up for a \$75,000 CDBG grant but that the township had lost the grant due to higher income demographics. Due to this loss of grant funding, the township would need to levy its own funds to be able to pursue the Echo Point project. Dianna Sunsdahl questioned whether Center Street was still in the queue to be worked on, it was not at this time.

Ayes: 14 Nays: 1

Motion passed

### **Ordinance 90-03A**

Tim Tomsich discussed the proposed ordinance regarding Water & Sewer, explaining the purpose of the ordinance and how it would be beneficial for Breitung Township. The ordinance was on the agenda to provide general public notification; Tomsich invited anyone interested in reviewing the ordinance to contact Breitung Township to receive a copy.

RESOLUTION 2025-19  
BREITUNG TOWNSHIP of St. Louis County, MN  
**Resolution Accepting Donations**

**WHEREAS**, Breitung Township is authorized to accept and maintain donations of real and personal property pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 465.03 for the benefit of its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the following persons and entities have offered to contribute the donations set forth below to the township:

<b>Name of Donor</b>	<b>Donations</b>	<b>Date</b>
1. Doug Erickson	Remington 12-gauge Shotgun, 870 tactical Model, serial #RS47109P	08/19/2025
2. Chuck Roehrdanz	\$25.00	08/19/2025

**WHEREAS**, the terms or conditions of the donations, if any, are as follows:

<b>Donation Number</b>	<b>Terms or Conditions</b>
1. Doug Erickson	To benefit Breitung Police Department
2. Chuck Roehrdanz	To benefit Breitung Police Department, Tacos with Cops

**WHEREAS**, all such donations have been contributed to the township for the benefit of its citizens, as allowed by law; and

**WHEREAS**, The Township Board finds that it is appropriate to accept the donations offered.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF BREITUNG TOWNSHIP, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA, AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The donations described above are accepted and shall be used in accordance with noted terms or conditions either alone or in cooperation with others, as allowed by law.
2. The town clerk is hereby directed to acknowledge to each donor the town's acceptance of the donor's donation.

Adopted by the Town Board of Breitung Township on August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Chairman Matthew Tichel, Supervisor Erin Peitso, Supervisor Stephen Tekautz

Ayes:  
Nays:

Approved: Chairperson

Attested: Clerk

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Matthew Tichel – Chairman

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Amber Zak - Clerk



## BREITUNG POLICE DEPARTMENT

SERVING BREITUNG TOWNSHIP, THE TOWN OF SOUDAN, AND THE CITY OF TOWER

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DANIEL REING

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SOUDAN MN 55782

CHIEF OF POLICE

To whom it concerns,

The Breitung Police Department will purchasing/obtaining a Remington 12-gauge shotgun. This weapon is an 870 tactical model. The serial is RS47109P. The previous owner was Doug Erickson. We will be completing this transaction through Virginia Surplus.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel Reing".

Daniel Reing  
Chief of Police  
Breitung Police Department

# Minnesota Paid Leave makes time for the moments that matter



Minnesotans take care of one another. Starting in January 2026, Paid Leave will ensure Minnesotans can take the time they need to be there for some of life's most important moments—like welcoming a child, recovering from a serious illness, or caring for a loved one.

## Paid Leave coverage

Paid Leave will provide payments and job protection for:

### Medical Leave

1-12 weeks



Someone's own serious **health** condition

### Family Leave

1-12 weeks



**Bonding** with a new child



**Caring** for a loved one



**Managing** military leave



**Certain personal** safety issues

Maximum of 20 weeks combined in one year if someone qualifies for both medical and family leave.

Almost all employers and individuals that work in Minnesota will be covered by Paid Leave.

## Paid Leave payments

Benefit payments will cover a portion of an individual's usual pay during a qualified leave. Eligibility for payments will be based on earnings in the previous year.

## Paid Leave job protection

Paid Leave will ensure that employees are able to return to their job after taking leave. If someone has worked at their job for at least 90 days, their job will be protected when they return from leave.

## Paid Leave funding

Paid Leave is a social insurance program. Both employers and employees will contribute premiums to the fund.

Learn more about Paid Leave eligibility, coverage, premiums and more at [info.paidleave.mn.gov](https://info.paidleave.mn.gov)



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