

Township of Breitung Agenda – Regular Board Meeting

Township of Breitung Regular Board Meeting 07-18-2026

Timothy Tomsich Community Center 6:00 PM

- Call the meeting to order/Roll Call
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Acceptance of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
 - 06/16/2026 Regular Board Meeting
- Approval of June 2026 Treasurer's Report
 - Checks Written: 60253 - 60345
 - Total Disbursements: \$132,742.14
 - Fund Balance: \$911,422.09
 - Voided Checks: None
- Correspondence
 - St. Louis County RE: Scott Lilya
 - Lake Country Power: Operation Round Up
 - City of Tower: Airport Zoning Ordinance

Reports:

- Police – Attached
- Fire & Rescue – Attached
- Road and Bridge – Attached
- Water – Attached
- Wastewater Board
- Ambulance Commission
- Recreation
- Noxious Weeds - Attached

Public Input

- Dianna Sunsdahl, Owner of Dianna's Dreamz

Old Business

- Current Infrastructure Projects
 - McKinley Park Trail Loop
 - Thompson Farm Road
 - Stuntz Bay Access Rd
 - McKinley Park: ADA Project
- Flood/FEMA process
- Broadband Project
- Joint Comprehensive Plan
 - Appoint Committee Members
- Blight
- Propane Bids

New Business

- Pay Bills as presented
- Animal Permit Request: Aaylah Myers
- Resolution 2026-18: Accepting Donations
- Fire Department Purchase: Tracks & Radio
- Wildland Fire Pay
- Project Labor Agreement

Next Board Meetings

Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, August 18, 2026

Adjourn

Breitung Township
Regular Board Meeting 06-16-2026, 6:00 PM
In Person Meeting at the Timothy Tomsich Community Center
33 First Avenue, Soudan MN 55782

Present In Person:

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

Public: Police Chief Daniel Reing, Stephanie Ukkola, Ed Swanson, Louise Gately, Officer Margaret Stauty, Jodi Summit, Scarlet Stone (Timberjay)

Call to Order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Tuchel

Pledge of Allegiance

Acceptance of Agenda

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to accept the agenda as presented

2nd by Supervisor Peitso

Motion Passed 2-0

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Supervisor Peitso to approve the minutes of the 05-19-2026 Regular Board Meeting, as presented

2nd by Chairman Tuchel

Motion passed 2-0

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to accept the May 2026 Treasurers Report as presented

2nd by Supervisor Peitso

Motion passed 2-0

Correspondence

- Minnesota State Demographer
- Girl Scout Troop 1302
- ECFE – Tower Soudan Elementary School
- Arrowhead Coalition of Trails
- Lake Country Power

Correspondence so noted.

Reports

- Police – Attached
- Fire& Rescue – Attached
- Road and Bridge – Attached.
- Water – Attached
- Wastewater Board – Chairman Tuchel noted that there were 2 items remaining on the punch-list for the water plant, the RIBS project was not yet out for bid, he noted that the final price on getting power to the RIBS was significantly higher than anticipated (original \$150k now up to \$264k)
- Ambulance – Supervisor Peitso noted there would be a July meeting
- Recreation – Attached, noted that the committee won't know what can be done until the blacktop is complete and billed
- Noxious Weeds – Attached, ALWI Stephanie Ukkola noted that there was a lot of Tansy and Knapweed around which public works supervisor Gorsma had already taken care of

Public Input

None

Old Business:

Current Infrastructure Projects

- McKinley Loop Trail – Chairman Tuchel noted that there were 4 items that needed to be addressed for the FAA, still working on easements
- Thompson Farm Road Project – Chairman Tuchel noted that MBI (Awarded bid contractor) had made the trail passable for the ATV route, the new campground had opened on the 12th of June, the trail would likely be fully opened on the 19th of June.
- Stuntz Bay Access Road – Chairman Tuchel noted that there was a billing question holding up this project being closed out
- McKinley Park: ADA Project – Mara Peterson had been hired to do the assessment and would be looking to do a site visit and group visit in the near future

Flood/FEMA process – Clerk Zak noted this item was kept on the agenda as the township was still waiting for reimbursement for management costs.

Broadband Project – CTC does not have information for the upcoming grant yet, sent out the last letters inviting property owners to get signed up in order to get free installation of the fiber cable.

Joint Comprehensive Plan

Nothing new, still waiting to receive IRRR grant before proceeding

Blight

Chief Reing has a list of current issues including lots of tall grass, unlicensed vehicles, trash in yards; would be sending out letters the next day (6/17). Chairman Tuchel noted that Supervisor Tekautz had been speaking with property owners about it personally as well.

Feral Cats

Supervisor Peitso noted that a number of the cats had been captured and relocated to new homes. She had also received no more complaints regarding the cats.

Resolution 2026-13: Interested Officer

Clerk Zak noted that she had looked into the cap for officers contracting with the township, it was \$175k. She also noted she had called around to local plumbers for rates and found rates to be comparable to that of Supervisor Tekautz.

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to approve Resolution 2026-13

2nd by Supervisor Peitso

Motion passed 2-0

Sale of Fire Engine #2

Clerk Zak noted that she had some issues getting ahold of the MN-Bid administrators to list the fire engine, but that she was now in the process of putting together the listing. Once the listing was complete, she would communicate it with the fire department so it could also be advertised on buying/selling pages on Facebook.

Fire Department UTV Purchase

Chairman Tuchel announced that Breitung Township had received a grant from the IRRR in the amount of \$41,874 for the purchase of the UTV + tracks

Propane Bids

The board reviewed five offers of service, one from Superior Fuel, one from Range LP, and three from Edwards Oil. Chairman Tuchel noted he was leaning toward the contracts with Edwards Oil considering they had the lowest price; it was noted that they had not offered an employee rate and there was also a cap to the gallons per year. The issue was tabled until next meeting, Clerk Zak was directed to find out the price per gallon for overages and to bring the information to next month's meeting.

New Business:

Pay Bills as Presented

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to Pay Bills as Presented.

2nd by Supervisor Peitso

Motion Passed 2-0

Deputy Clerk

Clerk Zak announced the appointment of Stephanie Ukkola as Deputy Clerk; Stephanie took the Oath of Office and was provided with a Certificate of Appointment for the position. She was thanked by Clerk Zak for taking on the role.

MN North-Vermilion Baseball Field Use

In a written request to Breitung Township, use of the baseball field for practices and scrimmages was requested by Tom Coombe for the Vermilion baseball team. It was noted that there would be no need for a scoreboard. In conversations with Maint. Sup. Gorsma, it was agreed that the team could utilize the field for a one-time payment of \$500.00

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to allow the Vermilion baseball team to utilize the Soudan ballfield for a one-time payment of \$500

2nd by Supervisor Peitso

Motion passed 2-0

Brush Cutter

A brush cutter attachment for the ToolCat was requested to be purchased by Maint. Sup. Gorsma.

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to approve the purchase in the amount of \$6800.00 from L & L Rentals Inc

2nd by Supervisor Peitso

Motion passed 2-0

Facility Use Request

A request to utilize the Timothy Tomsich Community Center and serve alcohol was presented to the board for approval. It was noted that this a closed event and a \$200 cleaning deposit would be collected.

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to approve the Facility Use Request

2nd by Supervisor Peitso

Motion passed 2-0

TSHS Proclamation Request

Louise Gately of the Tower Soudan Historical Society was in attendance to present her request to the board

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to Proclaim the week of July 12 – 18, 2026 as Heritage Week

2nd by Supervisor Peitso

Motion passed 2-0

Variance Request: Scott Lilya

A variance request sent to St. Louis County Planning & Zoning was presented, supervisors took no issue with it so long as it was approved by St. Louis County

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to approve the variance request

2nd by Supervisor Peitso

Motion passed 2-0

Next Board Meetings

Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, July 21, 2026, at 6:00 PM

Adjourn

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 PM

2nd by Supervisor Peitso

Motion passed 2-0

Respectfully Submitted

Amber Zak

Clerk, Breitung Township

Township of Breitung

June 30, 2026

Liabilities

Frandsen Bank and Trust

ReHab Loan \$225,516.18

Total Liabilities

Assets

Bank Accounts

Frandsen - Now Checking #000086	\$452,360.20
Frandsen - MMD #86	\$68,259.15
McKinley Park - Camp Ground	\$50,493.20
4M Account	\$195,254.70
Frandsen High Yield Money Market	\$142,952.45
Frandsen MMD # 110183438	\$56,462.59
Cert # 1300319690	\$0.00

Total Cash \$965,782.29

Outstanding Checks June 30, 2026 \$53,787.79

Funds

Operating Funds

Other Accounts

100 General	\$11,818.39	\$169,190.66
201 Road & Bridge	\$148,596.88	\$0.00
225 Fire	\$35,322.07	\$0.00
620 Park	\$51,020.67	\$50,493.20
227 Recreation	\$76,563.32	
226 Police	\$39,839.94	\$0.00
230 Projects	\$30,334.14	
231 Town Hall Payment Reserve		\$40,000.00
250 Equipment Reserve		\$124,298.96
251 Police Equipment Reserve	\$5,077.00	\$3,000.00
252 Firemen's Pension Reseve		\$28,592.00
253 Buildings and Grounds		\$52,500.00
254 Sick Days Reserve		\$24,162.78
255 Projects Reserve		\$0.00
256 Gravel Reserve		\$11,390.49
258 Police Vacation Reserve		\$9,794.00
Total Funds	\$398,572.41	\$513,422.09

Total Funds

\$911,994.50

Disbursements \$132,742.14

Checks

60253 - 60345 \$132,742.14

Receipts \$387,788.75

Transfers \$57,500.00

\$445,288.75

Interest * included in the receipts. \$1,137.35

Treasurer report for July 2026

We have received the part of the Apportionment Funds for 2026.

Fund	June	July	December	Totals
General	\$66,821.11	\$27,939.20	\$67,742.29	\$162,484.60
Road & Bridge	\$135,867.47	\$56,808.82	\$137,703.91	\$330,380.20
Fire	\$35,921.91	\$15,019.64	\$36,407.44	\$87,349.00
Recreation	\$17,547.69	\$7,337.31	\$17,784.88	\$42,669.60
Police	\$61,734.82	\$25,812.52	\$62,569.255	\$150,116.60
Totals	\$317,893.00	\$132,917.22	\$322,189.78	\$773,000.00
Distributions				
General to equipment	\$12,500.00		\$12,500.00	
Road & Bridge to Equipment	\$12,500.00		\$12,500.00	
Rec to Buildings & Grounds	\$2,500.00		\$2,500.00	
General to Townhall repayment	\$20,000.00		\$20,000.00	
Fire (Pension)	\$2,500.00		\$2,500.00	
Police to Police Equipment	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00	
To Water Department (not done yet)	\$7,500.00		\$7,500.00	
To Special Projects (not done yet)	\$13,500.00		\$13,500.00	

Thanks Teresa Dolinar

McKinley Park Campground

2026

	8-May	14-May	21-May	28-May	Monthly
Seasonal	27,000.00	8,000.00	5,000.00	5,300.00	45,300.00
Monthly	2,400.00	0.00	1,200.00		3,600.00
Weekly - No Electric	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Weekly - Electric	1,671.88	0.00	0.00		0.00
Daily - No Electric	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Daily Electric	0.00	598.08	1,395.52	3,708.71	5,702.31
Seasonal Launch	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Boat Launch	0.00	70.00	0.00	210.00	280.00
Shower/Washers/Dryers	0.00	0.00	0.00	190.55	190.55
Storage	600.00			0.00	600.00
Lodging Tax	49.99	17.88	41.72	119.93	229.52
Sales Tax	123.13	44.04	102.76	282.56	552.49
Total	31,845.00	8,730.00	7,740.00	9,811.75	55,672.86

	4-Jun	11-Jun	18-Jun	25-Jun	30-Jun	Monthly
Seasonal	4,000.00	4,000.00	3,000.00	1,000.00	4,300.00	16,300.00
Monthly	2,400.00	4,800.00	8,400.00		0.00	15,600.00
Weekly - No Electric			70.00		0.00	70.00
Weekly - Electric		1,149.25	3,471.13	1,810.34	1,898.37	8,329.09
Daily - No Electric					0.00	0.00
Daily Electric	2,898.58				0.00	2,898.58
Boat Launch	40.00	10.00	60.00	170.00	40.00	320.00
Shower/Washers/Dryers				190.55	0.00	190.55
Storage		1,200.00	600.00		0.00	1,800.00
Lodging Tax	89.61	42.90	107.18	57.38	62.55	359.62
Sales	220.65	105.24	263.81	128.73	153.83	872.26
Total	9,648.84	11,307.39	15,972.12	3,357.00	6,454.75	46,740.10

	2-Jul	9-Jul	16-Jul	23-Jul	30-Jul	Monthly
Seasonal	500.00	11,000.00				11,500.00
Monthly	1,200.00	3,600.00				4,800.00
Weekly - No Electric						0.00
Weekly - Electric	1,227.44	3,661.23				4,888.67
Daily - No Electric	35.00					35.00
Daily Electric						0.00
Boat Launch	20.00	160.00				180.00
Lodging tax	36.14	107.87				144.01
Sales tax	88.89	265.42				354.31
Shower/Washers/Dryers		233.30				233.30
Total	3,107.47	19,027.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	22,135.29

	2026	2025	Difference can be tied back to Seasonal payments.			
	Thru 7/9/26	Thru July 8				
Seasonal	73100	94200				
Monthly	24000	26800				
Weekly - No Electric	70	1200				
Weekly - Electric	13218	2450				
Daily - No Electric	35	1050				
Daily Electric	8601	5650				
Seasonal Launch	500					
Boat Launch	615	570				
Shower/Washers/Dryers	2345	692				
Storage	1193					
Lodging Tax						
Sales Tax	123676	132612	-8936			
Total						



Saint Louis County

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Ryan Logan
Director

July 1, 2026

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT WILL HOLD A HYBRID VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON PUBLIC HEARING ON **THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2026.**

The St. Louis County Board of Adjustment will conduct **a hybrid virtual and in-person** public hearing on **Thursday, July 16, 2026 at 9:00 AM** at the Government Services Center, 201 South 3rd Avenue West, Virginia, MN, regarding the following:

THE APPLICANT IS: William Lilya

SITE ADDRESS OF VARIANCE: 5737 Puncher Point Road, Tower MN

The applicant is requesting a variance from St. Louis County Zoning Ordinance 62, Article III, Section 3.2, to allow an accessory structure at a reduced property line setback and Article III, Section 3.4, to allow an accessory structure at a reduced shoreline setback.

The property in question is legally described as: Lots 23-25, Block 1, Puncher Point 2nd Addition, S30, T62N, R15W (Breitung).

You are being sent this notice because you are a property owner within the required notification area of the proposal. There is no need to answer this notice if you have no interest in this case.

The meeting will be open to the public and streamed live via Webex, giving the public the opportunity to watch and listen, and even speak to the Board of Adjustment or you have the option to listen to the meeting live via telephone. For more information on how to view or participate in the public hearing, please visit the county website at www.stlouiscountymn.gov/departments-a-z/planning-zoning/boards-committees.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark Lindhorst, St. Louis County Senior Planner, at lindhorstm@stlouiscountymn.gov.

Citizens can submit public comments relating to the public hearing using one of the following methods:

☐ **Duluth Office**
Government Services Center
320 W 2nd St, Ste 301
Duluth, MN 55802
Phone: (218) 471-7103
Toll Free in MN: 1-800-450-9777

☒ **Virginia Office**
Government Services Center
201 South 3rd Avenue West
Virginia, MN 55792
Phone: (218) 471-7103
Toll Free in MN: 1-800-450-9777

1. **Preferred method:** Email your comments to Mark Lindhorst, St. Louis County Senior Planner, at lindhorstm@stlouiscountymn.gov. Emails must be received **by noon on Monday, July 13, 2026**, in order to be presented to the Board of Adjustment.
2. Mail your comments to one of the St. Louis County Government Services addresses (located in Duluth or Virginia). Your comments must be received in the mail by **Monday, July 13, 2026**, in order to be presented to the Board of Adjustment.
3. Provide testimony in person on the day of the hearing.
4. You will also have the opportunity to raise your “virtual hand” while utilizing the Webex software during the public hearing. To learn more about Webex, please visit www.webex.com.

Please be advised that the Board of Adjustment may limit testimony at the hearing to five minutes. If you have lengthy testimony to provide, it may be beneficial to provide a letter or email in writing prior to the hearing for Board of Adjustment consideration.

Additional instructions on how to join the meeting, along with meeting agendas, will be available online at <https://www.stlouiscountymn.gov/departments-a-z/planning-zoning/boards-committees>. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mark Lindhorst, Senior Planner

cc. Clerk, Town of Breitung (via email: clerk@breitungtownship.org)

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ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT STAFF REPORT

INSPECTION DATE: 6/3/2026

REPORT DATE: 6/26/2026

MEETING DATE: 7/16/2026

APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT NAME: William Lilya

APPLICANT ADDRESS: 1121 Ridge Bluff Drive, Chaska, MN 55318

OWNER NAME:
(IF DIFFERENT THAN ABOVE)

SITE ADDRESS: 5737 Puncher Point Road, Tower, MN 55790

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lots 23-25, Block 1, Puncher Point 2nd Addition, S30, T62 N, R15 W (Breitung).

PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN): 270-0095-00230, -00250

VARIANCE REQUEST: The applicant is requesting relief from St. Louis County Zoning Ordinance 62, Article III, Section 3.2, to allow an accessory structure at a reduced property line setback and Article III, Section 3.4, to allow an accessory structure at a reduced shoreline setback.

PROPOSAL DETAILS: The applicant is proposing to construct 1,664 square foot garage 4 feet from the property line where 10 feet is required and 50 feet from the shoreline where 75 feet is required on a general development lake. The applicant will be removing the existing sauna on the property.

PARCEL AND SITE INFORMATION

ROAD ACCESS NAME/NUMBER: Puncher Point

ROAD FUNCTIONAL CLASS: Local

LAKE NAME: Vermilion

LAKE CLASSIFICATION: GD

RIVER NAME: N/A

RIVER CLASSIFICATION: N/A

DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT ON PARCEL: The property contains a house, sauna and permitted septic system.

ZONE DISTRICT: RES 11

PARCEL ACREAGE: Approx. 0.84

LOT WIDTH: 84 feet

FEET OF ROAD FRONTAGE: 100 ft.

FEET OF SHORELINE FRONTAGE: 137 feet

PARCEL AND SITE INFORMATION

VEGETATIVE COVER/SCREENING: The property contains both yard and trees. There is suitable screening to the north and excellent screening to the east.

TOPOGRAPHY: The property is overall level.

FLOODPLAIN ISSUES: The property is located in the floodplain. The structure will need to meet floodplain requirements.

WETLAND ISSUES: There are wetlands on the adjacent parcel to the east. The proposed project will not impact wetlands.

FACTS AND FINDINGS

A. Official Controls:

1. Zoning Ordinance 62, Article III, Section 3.2, requires a property line setback of 10 feet. The applicant is requesting 4 feet. Section 3.4 requires a shoreline setback of 75 feet. The applicant is proposing 50 feet.
2. Goal LU-3 of the St. Louis County Comprehensive Land Use Plan is to improve the integrity of the county's planning-related regulation by minimizing and improving the management of nonconformities.
3. Objective LU-3.1 of the St. Louis County Comprehensive Land Use Plan is to base variance decisions on uniform approval criterion to ensure all applications are treated equitably, that community health and safety are protected, and that the overall character of a given area is preserved.
4. Objective LU-3.3 of the St. Louis County Comprehensive Land Use Plan is to acknowledge why nonconformities are a concern and that variances should be for exceptional circumstances as noted in Minnesota Statute 394.22. Subd.10.

B. Practical Difficulty:

1. The property consists of three narrow platted lots.
2. The existing development, location of the septic system, and width of the parcels limit development potential without variance.

C. Essential Character of the Locality:

1. The applicant is not proposing a new use to the area. The area is developed with many seasonal and year-round residential uses.
2. The area consists of developed lakeshore lots with both conforming and nonconforming structures.
3. There have been no similar variances in the area.

D. Other Factor(s):

1. The parcel to the east is undeveloped, entirely wetland and is titled "public beach" on the plat.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL OF A VARIANCE

- 1. Is the variance request in harmony with the general purpose and intent of official controls?**
- 2. Has a practical difficulty been demonstrated in complying with the official controls?**
- 3. Will the variance alter the essential character of the locality?**
- 4. What, if any, other factors should be taken into consideration on this case?**

CONDITIONS

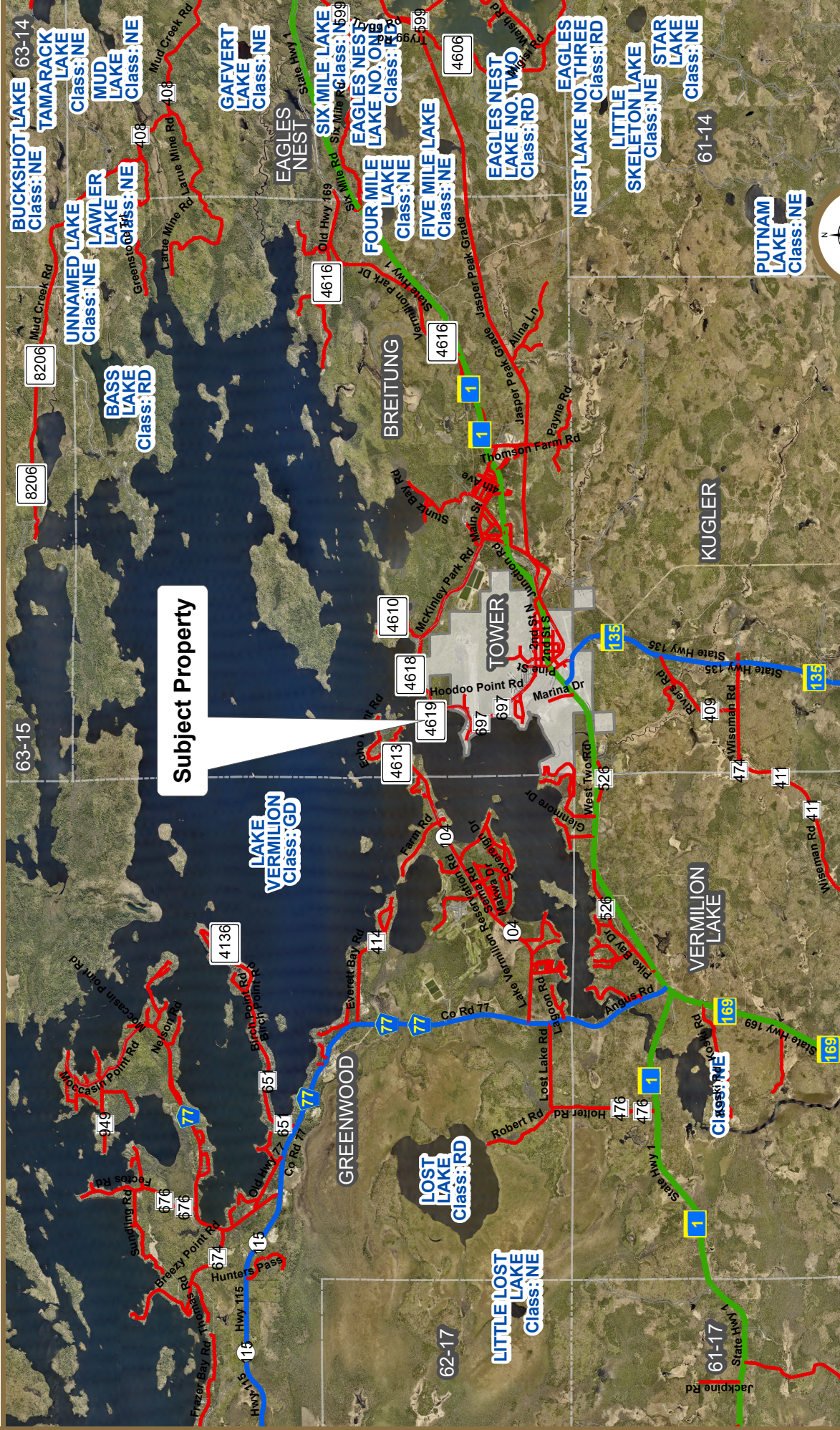
Conditions that may mitigate the variance for 1,664 square foot garage 4 feet from the property line and 50 feet from the shoreline, include but are not limited to:

1. The structure shall be unobtrusive (earth-tone) colors, including siding, trim and roof.
2. The stormwater runoff from the proposed structure shall not directly discharge into the lake or onto adjacent properties.
3. All local, state, and federal requirements shall be met.
4. St. Louis County Onsite Wastewater SSTS standards shall be met.
5. Floodplain requirements shall be followed.



St. Louis County

July BOA Meeting



Prepared By: **Planning & Zoning Department**
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Source: St. Louis County

Map Created: 6/12/2026

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William Lilya
Location Map
PIN: 270-0095-00230

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Feet

St. Louis County MN

Public Hearing Process

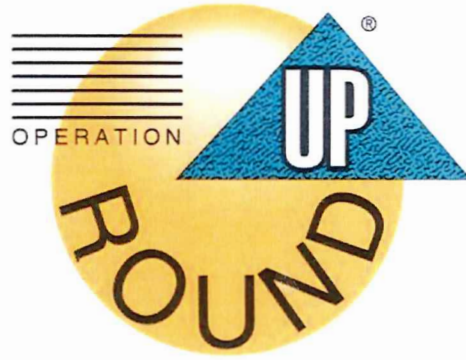
Planning Commission & Board of Adjustment St. Louis County

1. Staff introduction & presentation.
2. Other government agencies input.
3. Applicant or representative input.
4. Those who wish to speak in favor of proposal.
5. Those who wish to speak not in favor of proposal.
6. Hearing closed & PC/BoA member deliberations, including motion to approve or not approve.
7. Decision voted and decided on the day of the hearing.

Providing Testimony

Planning Commission & Board of Adjustment St. Louis County

1. All questions & testimony from the public will be accepted after staff presentation.
2. -In person attendees will be called upon by the Chair to provide testimony.
-Virtual attendees are requested to raise the 'virtual hand' and wait to be called upon by the Chair or staff to provide testimony.
3. State your name & address for the record.
4. Be concise with your statements.
5. Minimize repetitiveness.
 - a. Agree or disagree with previous testimony, bring up new issue(s).
 - b. You may get only one opportunity to testify.
6. Direct comments to the PC/BoA members, not the audience or applicant.



June 19, 2026

Congratulations! Your Operation Round Up® application received funding. A check is enclosed in support of your application grant request.

The cooperative's Electric Trust Board met June 11. They reviewed 49 grant applications and awarded funds to 41 projects and programs this quarter. Through the contributions of Lake Country Power's participating members, they approved \$64,206 in grants for local community programs or projects.

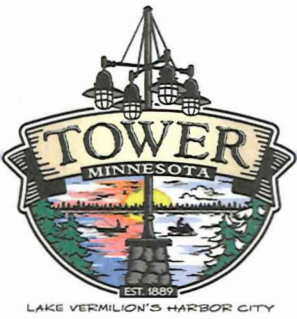
We wish you great success and thank you for making our communities a great place to live. Please use the funds in a timely manner. We ask that you provide a summary report to us explaining how the funds were used, approximate number of people who may have been impacted through the funds granted, and the impact your project/program had on the community.

Important Message for Future Applications

As of November 16, 2025, the Operation Round Up® application process has changed to an online application. All applicants must apply online. Mail-in, emailed, and hard copy applications will no longer be accepted.

Applications are available online at www.lakecountrypower.coop (My Cooperative > Community > Operation Round Up®). The next application deadline is August 15, 2026. Applicants will be required to create an account before the application can be filled out and submitted.

Lake Country Power, www.lakecountrypower.coop, is a Touchstone Energy® cooperative serving parts of eight counties in northeastern Minnesota. The rural electric cooperative provides services to more than 44,000 members and has offices located in Cohasset, Kettle River and Mountain Iron.



City of Tower

PO Box 576 • Tower, MN 55790 • (218)753-4070

July 6, 2026

Town of Breitung
PO Box 56
Soudan, MN 55782

Dear Landowner:

An examination of public records indicates that you own land that is or may be affected by the Airport Zoning Ordinance that is being proposed for adoption by the Tower Municipal Airport Joint Airport Zoning Board. A public hearing to consider the adoption of this Ordinance will be held on the 24th day of July 2026, at 9:30 a.m. at the City of Tower Civic Center, 402 Pine St. Tower, MN 55790.

We believe that your property may be located in Safety Zone A as defined by the proposed Ordinance. The Safety Zone A restrictions provide, among other things, that, aside from existing uses, Safety Zone A shall include no buildings, temporary structures, exposed transmission lines or other similar above-ground land use structural hazards. No land uses are allowed which would create, attract or bring together assemblies of persons. Permitted uses include agriculture, horticulture, animal husbandry, raising of livestock, wildlife habitat, light outdoor recreation (non-spectator), cemeteries and auto parking. Existing uses may continue as nonconforming unless these are substantially destroyed.

A copy of the proposed Ordinance and accompanying map is available for your inspection during regular business hours at City Hall, 602 Main Street Tower, MN 55790.

Sincerely,

Tammy Mortaloni
City Clerk/Treasurer



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

June 2026 Monthly Police Report

Calls for Service (ICRs) 151

Citations 15

1 adult female citation for 4th degree DWI

1 adult female citation for Underage Drink and Drive and Driving After Suspension

1 adult female citation for Underage Consumption and Possession of Alcohol

1 adult male citation for Driving After Revocation

1 adult male citation for Speed (85/60)

1 adult male citation for Speed (76/60)

1 adult male citation for Speed (75/60)

1 adult female citation for Speed (76/60)

1 adult female citation for Speed (75/60)

1 adult male citation for Speed (71/50)

1 adult male citation for Speed (58/30)

1 adult male citation for Driving without a License

1 adult male citation for Driving After Suspension

1 juvenile male citation for no helmet on ATV

1 juvenile male citation for no helmet on ATV



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Arrests 2

1 adult male arrested for 3rd Deg DWI

1 adult female arrested for 4th Deg DWI

June was a very busy month. Summer is here; the weather has warmed.

This month Officer Stauty, Officer Karolczak, and Chief Reing attended the Coffee with Cops at the Tower Café. It was nice to socialize with the public and with other officers.

We also had a severe weather event on June 29th with tornado warnings. I was glad to see everyone was safe. Thank you to Breitung and Tower maintenance crew and emergency responders for assistance.

We also assisted the Babbitt Police Department during Peter Mitchell Days with extra coverage. They will be helping us out on July 4th.

We are also getting ready for July 4th events here. It should be a very busy weekend.

Also, as a reminder please move over for emergency vehicles. When their emergency lights and sirens are active it is the law to slow down and move over.

Breitung Fire & Rescue
Box 337
33 1st Ave.
Soudan, Mn. 55782

July 2026 Fire Dept Report

Our regular monthly fire department meeting consisted of Pressure Testing our fire hose for compliance and truck operation. We also had our yearly ladder inspections, flow testing for SCBA's and all cylinders Hydro tested.

For the month of June we responded to the following calls:

Responded to a structure fire in Beatty Township which was canceled enroute

False alarm at the historic fire hall in Tower.

We received grants from IRRR and Lake Country Power which will be used towards the purchase of a side by side (fire/ems equipped) and equipment for it.

ROAD AND BRIDGE REPORT JULY 2026

Usual mowing and trimming

Preparing baseball field and hosting ball games

Set up and helped with 5th of July picnic

Set up and helped with old settlers picnic

Grading and repair of gravel roads

Dust control done

Painting curbs, crosswalks, and parking lines

Continued lead water line inventory

Numerous water line leaks

Brushing edges of roads

Weed eradication

Tree and brush removal

Removal of storm damaged trees

Televise numerous sewer laterals

Maintenance of equipment

Seasonal employees attended safety training

Zach attended MRWA locator training

Planting and watering trees for REC Grant 2026

MN pump works did preventative maintenance on lift station at McKinley park

48 days until Labor Day

BREITUNG WATER & SEWER COMMISSION**RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS****June-26**

Checking Balance Forward	23,617.07
Deposits	12,702.50
Interest	18.64
Balance	<u>36,338.21</u>

Disbursements

Township Payroll Reimb - June 2026	2,016.80
WW Board May 2026	9,787.50
US Postal - Stamps	183.00
Minnesota Department of Health	943.00
Frandsen Bank & Trust - NSF Bundy	74.00
John Koon - Deposit Reund	200.00

Total Disbursements	<u>13,204.30</u>
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Ending Balance	23,133.91
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Checking Account	23,133.91
Savings Account	70,685.05
Interest 46.45	

TOTAL	Jun-26	93,818.96
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Noxious Weed Report

Breitung Township

Inspection occurred between June 15, 2026 - July 1, 2026

Treatment on township property began immediately

Landowners notified July 8 and 9.

Prepared by Stephanie Ukkola

Birch St.

Vermilion Housing - Soudan Apartments

May 28 (before regular inspection)

Owner of Parcel number 270-0110-00270 had contacted the township initially about Common Tansy present on his property. Common Tansy is scattered among the field portion of his property in places that are difficult to mow. Maintenance Director Tom Gorsma and myself spoke with the landowner about the issue. Tom will brush some places that the landowner isn't able to himself. After Tom takes care of the difficult patches the landowner should be able to keep the weeds under control himself. I returned on Monday, June 8 to follow up with the landowner and give him an info sheet on Common Tansy.

Tom showed Stephanie a patch of Wild Parsnip and Common Tansy located behind the Vermilion Housing apartments in Soudan.

****Tom sprayed the apartment area on June 22**

****Tom has manually removed Tansy brush on Tony's right of way.**

Echo Point Area

Common Tansy is prevalent in the right-of-way on all area township roads. The Common Tansy is in patches in mostly sunny areas, too numerous to count. There was also one Spotted Knapweed, located opposite the Carol Lane sign. Photos are below.





Photo, top left: An example of Common Tansy. June 15, 2026

Photo, top right, bottom left: Spotted Knapweed with location and size markers. June 15, 2026

Photo, bottom right: closeup of Spotted Knapweed for ID. June 15, 2026

Tom received this report and removed the Spotted Knapweed and sprayed the Common Tansy on 6/16/26.

Thompson Farm Road area

In the gravel pit: I found that Spotted Knapweed was dotted along the lower berm of the pit in the sandy area and Common Tansy was well-established on the upper berm. Common Tansy was also growing on hills within the center of the gravel pit.

Thompson Farm Road: Thompson Farm Road had scattered patches of Common Tansy and Spotted Knapweed.

A controlled burn was suggested as a method to control the weeds atop the gravel pit, but would not be recommended as it would only remove the top portion of the plant. The plant would regrow and may have better conditions to grow with decreased competition and more sunlight.

The gravel pit should be a high priority area to control as any seeds produced in this area could later be transferred to other portions of the township as the materials are used, defeating other control efforts around the township.



Photo: This photo demonstrates the unique layout of the gravel pit. The lower vertical well has patches of Spotted Knapweed. The upper vertical wall is thick with Common Tansy. The flat mid-level has some Common Tansy and some Spotted Knapweed but neither plant thrives in this area. June 16, 2026

Junction Road, South Soudan Area

I inspected South Street, S. Birch Street, S. Center Street, Junction Road, and N. 2nd St.

Of most concern, I found a patch of Wild Parsnip on Junction Road. The patch was near the crossing with the Mesabi Trail. From the Mesabi Trail the patch extended about 100 feet south, towards the water tower. Another patch of Wild Parsnip was found on N. 2nd St. near the driveway of 5492 N. 2nd St. and across the road from it.

Always cover skin and wear protective gloves and safety goggles when working with Wild Parsnip.

On South Street, S. Birch Street, S. Center Street, Junction Road, and N. 2nd Street Common Tansy was also found but is in small clusters of low concern and can be controlled with mowing.

Tom reported that he and his crew addressed the Wild Parsnip with digging and spraying on June 22. On June 29 he reported that the Wild Parsnip didn't respond to several attempts of spraying and he would be mowing the area.



Photo: Wild parsnip colony on Junction Rd. near crossing with Mesabi Trail and Hwy 169. June 17, 2026



Photo: Close-up of Wild Parsnip beginning to flower on Junction Rd. June 17, 2026



Photo: Wild Parsnip patch at 5492 N. 2nd St., Tower (within Breitung Township right-of-way) June 17, 2026



Photo: Wild Parsnip patch opposite the driveway of 5492 N. 2nd St., Tower, on the Breitung Township right-of-way and on the bank of the East Two River. June 17, 2026



Photo: Common Tansy patch on Junction Rd. from afar. June 17, 2026



Photo: close up of Common Tansy on Junction Rd. right-of-way. June 17, 2026

McKinley Park Area

Mesabi Bike Trail within Soudan proper

I inspected McKinley Park Rd. (County Road 4596), HooDoo Point Road (County Road 697) and adjacent roads McKinley Park Acres Road, Miettunen Plat Road, and Puncher Point Road, as well as McKinley Park Campground.

McKinley Park Road (County Road 4596) did not have any significant noxious weed infestations. HooDoo Point Road (County Road 697) did not have any significant noxious weed infestations.

McKinley Park Acres Road and Miettunen Plat Road were found to have a lot of Common Tansy. The Common Tansy is most prevalent beginning at the intersection with County Road 4596. The Common Tansy dominates most of the right of way at the beginning of the road and as it continues and meets with Miettunen Plat Road the frequency of the plant decreases.

Puncher Point Road was clean except for a patch of Common Tansy on the northeast entrance to the road. The Common Tansy was located near the name plaque and stop sign.

McKinley Park Campground was clean except for a small patch of Common Tansy on the woodline near the west entrance to the campground.

Mesabi Bike Trail from Soudan Post Office to Soudan's Only Store did not have any significant noxious weed infestations.

Mesabi Bike Trail from County Road 4596 Crossing to Welcome to Soudan Sign/Highway 169 Crossing had a lot of Common Tansy, plants big and small, within the trails right of way. Spotted knapweed was also found here.

****Mesabi Trail was notified on July 8 via a phone call from supervisor Matt Tuchel to Gary Crotteau of the Mesabi Trail. Crotteau said that they had a contractor spraying herbicide that night in the area and it would be taken care of.**



Photo left: Spotted Knapweed found along Mesabi Trail between the Welcome to Soudan sign along Highway 169 and the Soudan's Only Store. June 22, 2026

Photo below: Very large groupings of Common Tansy are found along this curve of the Mesabi Trail west of Soudan's Only Store. Common Tansy is also on the opposite side of the trail and further along this corridor. June 22, 2026





Photos: McKinley Park Campground was clear of noxious weeds excepting one small spot near the west entrance to the park. Common Tansy is next to the woodline. Weed whapping or a closer mowing should be sufficient to control this area.
June 22, 2026





Photo left: Common Tansy dominates much of the roadside on the beginning portion of McKinley Park Acres Road. One place the Common Tansy can be found on the road edge is around the guardrails.

June 22, 2026

Photo below: Puncher Point Road was clear of noxious weeds except for this patch behind the stop sign and name plaque on the east entrance to the road where Common Tansy can be found. June 22, 2026



East Main Street, Spring Street, Baseball Field and Memorial area Soudan Proper

East Main St.:

Parcel ID Number: 270-0110-01180 and Parcel ID Number: 270-0110-01170.

This vacant lot is filled with noxious weeds. I spotted Common Tansy, Wild Parsnip and Spotted Knapweed. Because of the large area of the lot it would be hard to control the weeds with herbicide or manual removal. The lot is also on a steep hill making mowing impossible.

The lot has historically been control-burned annually each spring to lower the town's fire danger. The burning likely contributed to the infestation. As brush was burned, it gave prime growing conditions for the noxious weeds.

I have recommended that the township cease controlled burns. I would further advise the township and landowner to allow and encourage tree growth. While slow, it will eventually prevent the noxious weeds from growing as they do not grow in deep shade.

South of the offending lot, across the road on Main St., Wild Parsnip has taken hold on the right of way but was not apparent in any privately owned land. Common Tansy and Wild Parsnip were also present near the intersection of Main St. and Spring Street and along Spring Street up to Highway 169.

East of the offending lot, at **Parcel ID Number 270-0110-02070** a lot of Spotted Knapweed was present. The property consists of a higher half and a lower half with a garden, no buildings. Spotted knapweed covers about 70% of the lot. Regular mowing would help to control the weed. Herbicide or handpulling would be preferred.

Baseball field

The road leading into the parking lot of the baseball field has Common Tansy interspersed with wild raspberries. The walking trail heading up the playground also had Common Tansy and Spotted Knapweed. We had discussed waiting to use herbicide here as many families will pick raspberries here.

Mesabi Trail near intersection of Church Street and Main Street.

A patch of Wild Parsnip was found at the Mesabi Trail/Soudan Lutheran Church Parking lot. The Wild Parsnip continues up the trail and behind the Vermilion Housing Soudan apartments, as previously noted.

Photo below: Parcel ID Number: 270-0110-01180 and Parcel ID Number: 270-0110-01170. Wild Parsnip rosettes can be seen among Spotted Knapweed on Gordon St. side. June 29, 2026



Photo left: Parcel ID Number: 270-0110-01180 and Parcel ID Number: 270-0110-01170. This photo shows Common Tansy on the 2nd Avenue side of the lot. More Wild Parsnip, Common Tansy, and Spotted Knapweed are located deeper within the lot but are difficult to photograph. June 29, 2026



Photo above: full view of Parcel ID Number: 270-0110-01180 and Parcel ID Number: 270-0110-01170. This lot contains Wild Parsnip, Common Tansy, and Spotted Knapweed. Recommended treatment is to increase tree canopy to block light from offending plants. June 3, 2026

Photos below: At **Parcel ID Number 270-0110-02070** lies this vacant lot with no structures and a garden. Spotted Knapweed strongly dominates this lot. June 29, 2026

****This lot was since mowed by the landowner without being asked. I will informally speak with the landowner so she is aware 7/8/26.**



Photos below: At the intersection of Main Street and 2nd Avenue is a patch of Wild Parsnip and Common Tansy. It remains confined to the road right-of-way. The Wild Parsnip and Common Tansy continue up Spring Street on the west side of the road to Highway 169. June 29, 2026



Photo below: Wild Parsnip spotted in a culvert on Spring Street. June 29, 2026



Photo below: Wild Parsnip near the intersection of Spring Street and Highway 169. June 29, 2026





Photo left: Common Tansy is prevalent on the side of the road leading into the baseball field from the highway to the field on the west side of the road. June 29, 2026



Photo left: on the walking trail from the baseball field to the playground Spotted Knapweed is prevalent on the hillside on the north side of the trail. June 29, 2026



Photo left: Common Tansy is intermixed with raspberries on the south side of the trail from the baseball field to the playground. June 29, 2026



Photo left:
Wild Parsnip
flowering at
the Mesabi
Trail/Soudan
Lutheran
Church
parking lot
near the
intersection
on Church
Street and
Main Street.
June 29, 2026

Photos below: Wild Parsnip and Common Tansy patch already treated behind the Vermilion Housing Soudan apartments. June 29, 2026



Soudan Proper

Properties of note were;

Parcel ID Number 270-0110-02070 which had Spotted Knapweed all over the front yard.

Parcel ID Number: 270-0110-02510, a vacant lot on the corner of Gordon St. and 6th Avenue currently being used for storage. The lot has Spotted Knapweed throughout as well as patches of Common Tansy. June 30, 2026

Photos (3): Show the front yard of **Parcel ID Number 270-0110-02070** which is filled with Spotted Knapweed. June 30, 2026





Photos (3): Show Spotted Knapweed and Common Tansy at **Parcel ID Number: 270-0110-02510.** June 30, 2026



The aforementioned patch of Wild Parsnip on Junction Road and N. 2nd St. Tower, when I looked at it again a week after my initial reports, had flowered and I could see that there were many more plants that extended further than I had initially realized. Some of the affected area has already been sprayed by the township as you can see in the below photos. June 30, 2026



Photos: Tall yellow flowers along the roadside and around the culvert are Wild Parsnip. June 30, 2026



Photo left: This patch of Wild Parsnip on N. 2nd St. have been sprayed. June 30, 2026



Photos: Wild Parsnip can more easily be seen now. It is very dominant on the west side of the road and present on the east side as well. Some of the Wild Parsnip has been sprayed as seen in the lower right photo.
June 30, 2026



Soudan Canister Site - County Landfill

I received a report from a resident that Japanese Knotweed was located at the Yard Waste portion of the Soudan Canister Site. I investigated and found that there was indeed a grove of Japanese Knotweed. July 1, 2026



Top photos: Closeups of the Japanese Knotweed. July 1, 2026

Bottom photo: Wide view of site showing that the Japanese Knotweed is behind the north side of the yard waste pile. Another single Japanese Knotweed is left of the downed tree. July 1, 2026



Summary

Four noxious weeds were found in total within Breitung Township; Common Tansy, Spotted Knapweed, Wild Parsnip, and Japanese Knotweed, in order of prevalence.

Common Tansy and Spotted Knapweed are found heavily throughout Breitung Township roadsides. Wild Parsnip is confined to a few locations. Japanese Knotweed was found only at one location. All four weeds are listed Prohibited - Control.

Within township property and road right-of-way maintenance director Tom Gorsma has been very responsive at treating noxious weeds.

Property owners to receive letters:

- Parcel ID Number: 270-0110-01180 and Parcel ID Number: 270-0110-01170
- Parcel ID Number 270-0110-02070 (to be paired with a blight letter)

Property owners emailed:

- St. Louis County for Soudan Canister Site (email sent to Senior Planner Ada Tse on 7/7/26)

Property owners called on July 8:

- Parcel ID Number: 270-0110-02510 (will meet personally on 7/13 with Matt Tuchel)
- Mesabi Trail for portion between crossing on McKinley Park Road and Highway 169 crossing

Community meeting about ADA Handicap Accessibility in Breitung Recreation areas

Tuesday, July 7 at 6 p.m.

Minutes by Stephanie Ukkola

Present: Nancy Larson (grant writer), Steve Tekautz (town supervisor) Stephanie Ukkola (deputy clerk), Randy Pratt (campground manager).

Advertisements for this community meeting were made in the Timberjay newspaper dated 7/3/26, the Breitung Township website and Facebook page.

Areas covered by the grant: Breitung playground, skating rink, and picnic area; baseball field and memorial area; McKinley Park Campground Beach area

The basics:

- Consulting services - Julee Quarve Perterson, Inc (JQP, Inc) (township is currently applying for grant funding through IRRR to pay for this service)
- Purpose: review existing sites and facilities for compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act as requested by Breitung Township
- Information will assist the township in planning accessibility improvements and incorporating recommendations into long-range planning and future projects
- Valuable resource: Design guidelines to existing buildings, sites and new construction for accessibility compliance.
- In August or September JQP Inc. will conduct a site visit to access; parking, exterior accessible routes, playgrounds, ball field seating for players and spectators, shelter buildings, toilet and shower facilities, picnic areas, benches, hard surface play courts, beach amenities, camping, recreational boating facilities, playground equipment accessibility, routes to defined play areas, playground surfacing

Grants we will be seeking:

- DNR Rec Grant
IRRR Culture and Tourism
- Possibly more

Ideas given by community members present:

McKinley Park

- Adult changing tables
- Accessibility from bike trail to lake
- Fishing pier with cutouts for wheelchair using persons
- Strong grab-bars on fishing pier for dizzy people
- Floating docks
- Picnic tables
- ADA Tent site

- Place to sit next to lake, for kids in wheelchairs or grandparents to watch kids
- A few accessible camp sites (one on seasonal side and one on overnight side)
- Playground surfacing
- Access to pavilions
- Cement pad into water
- Business opportunity/a market
- Shower for wheelchairs
- Shower/bathrooms hand accessibility, door handles (handstrength)
- Grab bars in shower/full access showers
- Panic bars on doors
- Button open for all doors
- Widen sidewalk by front door and parking
- Increase electrical power - health and safety issue (AC - heatstroke) add individual electric meters at each campsite
- A generator for when power is out (no water at all currently when power is out and outages have been happening frequently) health and safety

Baseball area

- Wider fence opening
- Wider trail from parking lot to field
- Dugout seating
- Spectator seating
- Signs for handicap parking
- Surfacing up to fenceline
- Trail to monument/restrooms bathroom may need widened
- Surfacing of the field

Skating rink, playground and picnic area

- Skate shack door
- Door step up
- Playground surfacing
- Remove grass barrier around pavilion and have a concrete slope to playground surfacing
- Larger rentable space with bathrooms, paved parking lots, food serving station
- A way to get to basketball court

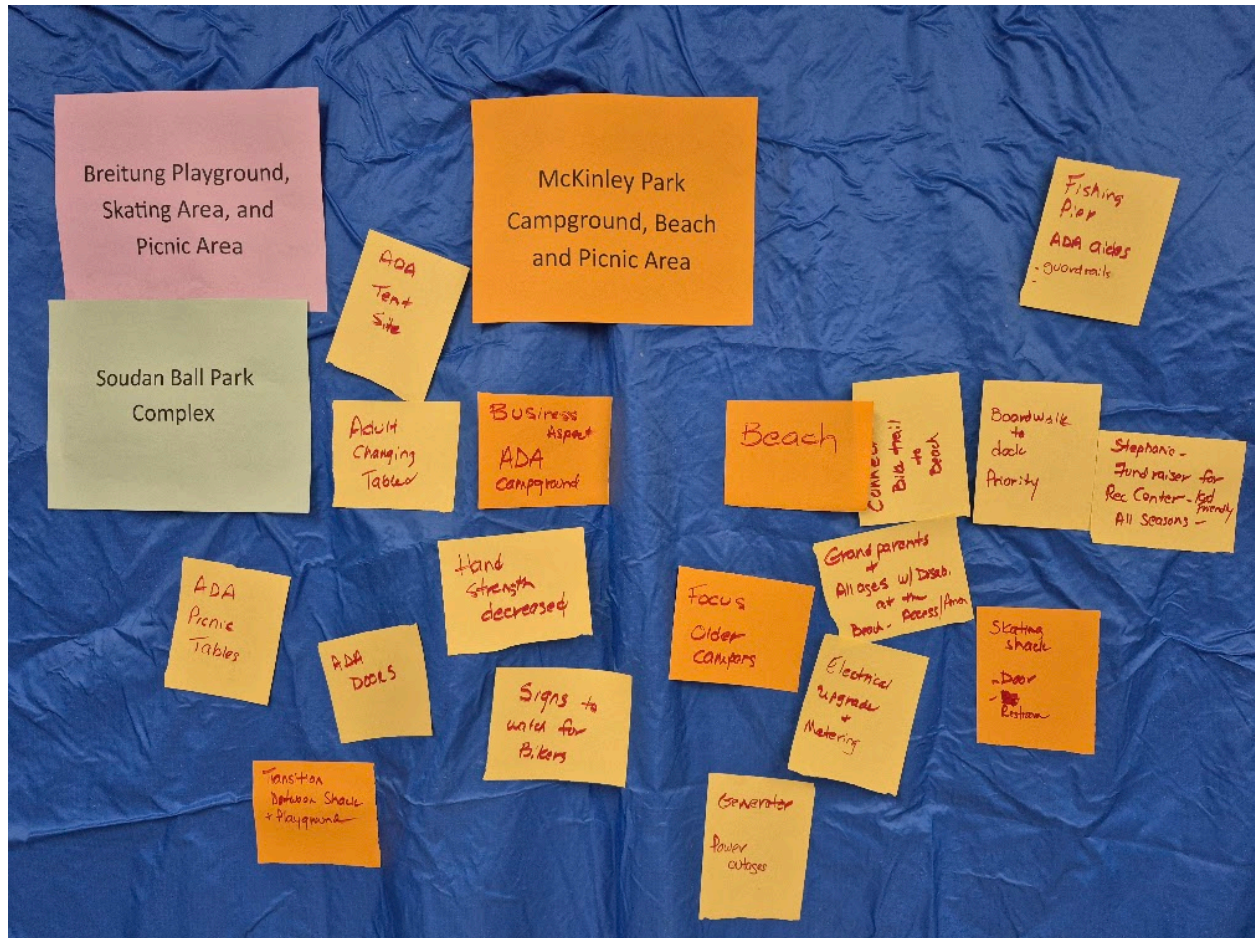


Photo: idea board made by community members at meeting



Friday May 8, 2026

BREITUNG TOWNSHIP

P.O Box 56

Soudan, MN 55782

Lakes Gas to provide tanks as needed: (3) 1000 gal tanks and (1) 500 gal tank.

Upon acceptance of Bid by customer, Lakes Gas will swap out existing tanks, pump over any remaining propane from existing to Lakes tanks and perform a full-system safety check for leaks. (2) of the 1000 gallon tanks to be manifolded and connect to line servicing customer owned vaporizer. Tanks and associated equipment owned by Lakes Gas to be leased & maintained on a N/C basis for term of contract.

** WIRELESS Monitors provided on tanks at N/C to ensure against run outs.

PROPANE PRICE & TERM:

Bulk propane delivered as needed at a rate of \$1.399/gallon. This will be a "Fixed Rate" for up to 3 years (customer to acknowledge whether they would like to go w/a 1,2 or 3 year option upon acceptance of contract). ***EMPLOYEE PRICING- Any Breitung township employee using propane for home heating qualifies for the contracted Township price plus \$0.15 cents/gallon equal to \$1.549/gallon.

Please feel free to call me anytime if you have questions or concerns regarding this proposal.

Regards,

STEVE PETERSON

218-590-4747

steve.peterson@lakesgas.com



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June 11, 2026
Attn: Clerks Office
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Soudan, MN 55782

Breitung Township Board-

Town board,

Thank you for the opportunity to bid on the propane supply for the Breitung Township. In the past 45 years we have worked tirelessly, to provide cost saving options and top-of-the line service to the people of Northern Minnesota.

Proposal:

If you choose Edwards North Country Propane, we will:

1. For the 2026 (October 2026 – April 2027) heating season Edwards will supply Breitung Township with propane at a price of \$1.258 per gallon for 8500 gallons.

Edwards has four in-house service technicians available 24/7 and will act on any repair or no-heat issues immediately. Price excludes any applicable taxes and/or fees.

Thank you for your consideration and if you need any clarification please do not hesitate to call.

Scott Skalko

Print- Accepted By (Breitung Township): _____

Sign- Accepted By (Breitung Township): _____

Date: _____

Print- Accepted by Edwards: Scott Skalko

Sign- Accepted by Edwards: Scott Skalko

Date: 6/11/2026



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Proposal:

If you choose Edwards North Country Propane, we will:

1. For the 2 Year Term (October 2026 – April 2028) heating season Edwards will supply Breitung Township with propane at a price of \$1.248 per gallon for 17,000 gallons

To Edwards has four in-house service technicians available 24/7 and will act on any repair or no-heat issues immediately. Price excludes any applicable taxes and/or fees.

Thank you for your consideration and if you need any clarification please do not hesitate to call.

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If you choose Edwards North Country Propane, we will:

1. For the 3 Year Term (October 2026 – April 2029) heating season Edwards will supply Breitung Township with propane at a price of \$1.238 per gallon for 25,500 gallons

To Edwards has four in-house service technicians available 24/7 and will act on any repair or no-heat issues immediately. Price excludes any applicable taxes and/or fees.

Thank you for your consideration and if you need any clarification please do not hesitate to call.

Scott Skalko

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Sign- Accepted By (Breitung Township): _____

Date: _____

Print- Accepted by Edwards: Scott R. Skalko

Sign- Accepted by Edwards: Scott R. Skalko

Date: 6/11/2026

From: [Scott Skalko](#)
To: [Amber Zak, Clerk](#)
Subject: RE: Breitung Township Propane Proposal
Date: Wednesday, July 1, 2026 12:13:38 PM

Amber –

Yes, you'd still get the same contract price as the contract the township elects, even if you go over gallons for that season. In your listed example below you are understanding correctly.

As to the employee price and extend it to Volunteer Fire / EMS folks as well. I'd do \$1.659 for employees assuming they are primary heat using 650 gallons annually.

Looking forward to continuing with you-

Scott

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Sent: Tuesday, June 30, 2026 12:46 PM
To: Scott Skalko <sskalko@eoctrimark.com>
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DATE 6/16/2026

Propane Proposal – Breitung Township

Superior Fuel is pleased to offer the following proposal to meet the propane needs of Breitung Township

Pricing & Terms

- **\$1.299/gal** secured/fixed Rate for up to 5 years
 - **OR: \$1.399/gal Price Ceiling** for up to 5 years. The price per gallon will never exceed the price ceiling, however if market rate goes below the price ceiling (\$1.399), the lower rate will be applied to deliveries.
- **Tank Leasing:** Any tanks not owned by LP Solutions will be leased for **\$1.00/year**
 - No cost to exchange tanks or perform initial gas/safety checks
 - SFC will Ensure all 2nd stage regulators are up to code for safety precautions **\$1.00/year**
- **Keep-Fill Service with Tank Monitoring at no cost:**
 - All tanks will be maintained on monitored basis at no cost
 - Access to Superior Fuel Company's App for real-time tank level monitoring via smartphone, tablet, or computer

Affiliate Discount Program for employees

- **\$1.699/gal Fixed Rate** for the same contract duration as the business (must use propane as main heating source with a 500g min. annually)
- Customers may opt into our **Stable Pricing Plan:**
 - Predictable monthly payments based on estimated annual usage – eliminates the big bill for deliveries and this is not required to be paid up front
- **Tank Leasing & Monitoring for Affiliates:**
 - \$75.00 year or \$6.25/month for tanks not owned by the customer (may be rolled into monthly payments)
 - Tanks will be switched out at no costs; Superior Fuel will make sure the 2nd stage regulator is up to code. If not those will be switched out at the customers expense, they last for approximately 20 years.
 - All tanks will be maintained on monitored basis at no cost
 - Access to Superior Fuel Company's App for real-time tank level monitoring via smartphone, tablet, or computer

All deliveries and service will be provided from our **Ely, Virginia, Britt, or Babbitt** location. We are a local Minnesota and Wisconsin company committed to providing reliable service and outstanding customer support.

If you have any questions or would like to further discuss this proposal, please don't hesitate to reach out:

Kallie Johnson

Commercial Sales Rep.

Superior Fuel Company

kalliej@superiorfuelcompany.com

218-576-5582

From: [Aaylah Myers](#)
To: [Amber Zak, Clerk](#)
Subject: Re: Request for Township Board Approval for Property Permit
Date: Tuesday, July 21, 2026 4:12:28 PM

So sorry about that! Here it is again .

Dear Members of the Breitung Township board, I am writing to formally request the Township board's review and approval for a permit regarding my property located at 42 Jasper St, Soudan, MN 55782.

Specifically, I am seeking approval to own 3 Cayuga ducks. These ducks are known for being one of the quieter breeds as well. I am in the process of building a 103"x 40" duck coop as well as having my fully fenced in yard. (I can send a blueprint for the coop as well if needed". I have enclosed the necessary project plans, site diagrams, and initial documentation for your review. I want to ensure this fully complies with all local townships rules and community standards. Please let me know if you need any additional information or if I should attend the next scheduled township meeting to further discuss this request in person. Thank you for your time and assistance.

Sincerely,

Aaylah myers

On Tue, Jul 21, 2026 at 11:21 AM Amber Zak, Clerk <clerk@breitungtownshipmn.gov> wrote:

Hi Aaylah,

I received an email from you but there was nothing in the body of the email, nor was there any attachment. Please resend.

Thank you,

Amber Zak

Clerk | Breitung Township

P.O. Box 56 | Soudan, MN 55782

218.753.6020

From: Aaylah Myers <aaylahmyers@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2026 10:58 AM

To: Clerk@breitungtownshipmn.gov

Subject: Request for Township Board Approval for Property Permit

[42 jasper st soudan](#)

RESOLUTION 2026-18
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:

Name of Donor	Donations	Date
1. Zup's Food Market - Ely	25# of Hotdogs	07/05/2026
2. Zup's Food Market - Tower	Ice	07/05/2026
3. Eric Norberg	\$408.04	03/26/2026
4. Tom Suihkonen	\$20.00	07/05/2026
5. Anonymous	\$10.00	07/05/2026
6. Shelly Bradow	\$5.00	07/05/2026
7. Dan Hill	\$20.00	07/05/2026
8. Stuntz Bay Association	\$2000.00	06/24/2026

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

Donation Number	Terms or Conditions
1. Zup's Food Market - Ely	Donation Toward Community Picnic
2. Zup's Food Market - Tower	Donation Toward Community Picnic
3. Eric Norberg	Scoreboard Digit Replacement Purchase
4. Tom Suihkonen	Given at Community Picnic
5. Anonymous	Given at Community Picnic
6. Shelly Bradow	Given at Community Picnic
7. Dan Hill	Given at Community Picnic
8. Stuntz Bay Association	Given for the maintenance provided by Breitung Township Public Works Department

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 July 21, 2026. Chairman Matthew Tuchel, Supervisor Erin Peitso, Supervisor Stephen Tekautz

Ayes:

Nays:

Approved: Chairperson

Attested: Clerk

Matthew Tuchel – Chairman

Amber Zak - Clerk

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Quote

Specialty Vehicles International, LLC (SVI)

SVI Sales
5112 Northstar Lane Suite #2
Nisswa, MN 56468
Phone: 218-967-8205

Order #	Date
S10036	03/18/2026



Bill To:	Ship To:
BREITUNG FIRE AND RESCUE 33 1ST AVE SOUDAN, MN 55782	BREITUNG FIRE AND RESCUE 33 1ST AVE SOUDAN, MN 55782
Customer: BREITUNG FIRE AND RESCUE	Contact: BREITUNG FIRE AND RESCUE

Sales Rep	Payment Terms	FOB Point	Carrier	Ship Service	Date Scheduled
S. Emerson	CCD	Origin	UPS		03/18/2026

Item #	Type	Number	Description	Retail Price	Unit Price	Qty Ordered	Total Price
1	Sale	15-088	K-DTG45B29-SV-R1 XD1500 4 PODS-MOUNTS-18T-129IN ORDERING CREW XD-1500 POLARIS GOV PROGRAM	\$ 14,900.00	\$13,900.00	1 ea	\$ 13,900.00
2	Shipping	Shipping	Shipping FREE FREIGHT.	\$ 0.00	\$0.00	1 ea	\$ 0.00

Subtotal:	\$13,900.00
Sales Tax:	\$0.00
Total:	\$13,900.00
Paid:	\$0.00
Balance Due:	\$13,900.00

Approval: _____ Date: _____



Please review the following quote

APX6500 ARMER Mobile

Quote # EH012214

Version 1

Prepared for:

Breitung Fire Department

Trevor Banks

fire@breitungtownship.org

711 Hammond Ave
Superior, WI 54880
DSCcommunications.com
7153922911



Services

Description	Price	Qty	Ext. Price
Specialized, Ambulance, Fire Truck	\$530.00	1	\$530.00
Round Trip Travel and Vehicle Mobilization	\$402.50	1	\$402.50
Truck Charge	\$46.50	1	\$46.50
Misc Hardware Fittings & Consumables	\$50.00	1	\$50.00
Subtotal:			\$1,029.00

APX6500 ARMER Mobile



Prepared by:

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Erik Humphrey
(715) 947-2027
Fax 7153922995
ehumphrey@dsccommunications.com

Prepared for:

Breitung Fire Department

39 1st Avenue
Soudan, MN 55782
Trevor Banks
(218) 780-9507
fire@breitungtownship.org

Quote Information:

Quote #: EH012214

Version: 1
Delivery Date: 04/15/2026
Expiration Date: 05/07/2026

Quote Summary

Description	Amount
Services	\$1,029.00
Total: \$1,029.00	

Taxes, shipping, handling and other fees may apply. 3% Processing Fee will be accessed on all credit card transactions. Any price quoted for a product is subject to market change, supply disruption, adjustments to foreign exchange rates, and tax reforms, among other causes. We reserve the right to cancel orders arising from pricing or other errors. By acceptance of this quote, I understand that a 50% down payment may be required.

RETURN POLICY. Any Motorola Sale Equipment returned is subject to a 20% restocking fee. Return requests for Motorola Sale Equipment must be made within 30 days of invoice date for radio equipment, parts and accessories. Non-Motorola Sale Equipment may be subject to a 20% restocking fee or may not be returnable. If any Equipment is inoperable upon delivery, Customer must notify DSC Communications within 14 days of delivery to be eligible for credit or exchange; inoperable Equipment returned after 14 days will be processed as warranty repairs. Only equipment purchased from DSC Communications is accepted for return and must be in new condition. Customized or custom-made equipment, including by way of illustration, custom cabinets, tuned duplexers, computer equipment, software, BDAs and built-to-order repeaters, are not eligible for return. Materials that have been determined to be outside the return policy requirements will be returned to the Customer or disposed of at Customer's expense. Cellular products, including boosters and cellular accessories are subject to the manufacturer's terms.



Clarifications & Exclusions - Quotes

General Work Terms:

1. All work will be performed during normal business hours - Monday through Friday, 8:00am to 5:00pm - unless otherwise agreed upon by both parties.
2. Customer will maintain a clean, safe, and efficient work environment.
3. Permits and associated fees are not included in DSC Communications' proposal pricing. (if applicable)
4. Customer will provide a secured area to store/stage project-related materials.
5. Customer acknowledges that supply-chain and shipping difficulties may result in unavoidable delays/cost increases. Customer agrees to provide DSC with reasonable extensions of time and DSC agrees to make efforts to avoid or minimize delays.
6. Changes to scope of work, or departures from initial planning that arise during or after deployment, will be discussed with customer as a change-order and invoiced appropriately.
7. Returns may be subject to a restocking fee.

Customer Responsibilities: (If applicable)

1. Customer will provide current blueprints/floor plans for identification of cabling routes.
2. Where installations use customer-premise wiring or the wiring/cabling is installed by others, all wiring shall be properly installed, free from defects, and capable of supporting the new equipment. Time and materials used to troubleshoot and repair wiring issues may be considered beyond scope and subject to invoicing.
3. Project Manager(s): Customer shall assign project manager(s) to make decisions for equipment installation and placement.
4. Network/Technology Manager: Due to the complexity of network integration practices and security policies, someone empowered to make customer-premise network decisions and verifications must be assigned, and available to the technicians on-site.

Exclusions (unless otherwise specifically stated in proposal):

- Electrical work to panels, breakers, or electrical outlets.
- Installation conduit or cable raceway.
- Rental/provision of aerial lifts or scaffolding.
- Interconnections to other devices (such as burglar alarm or fire annunciator panels).
- Vertical or horizontal core drilling holes exceeding 3/4" in diameter or 12" in depth.
- Removal of old wiring or devices.
- Application Programming Interface (API) integration to other network devices.
- Customer-premise network reconfigurations to routers, switches, firewalls, etc.
- Replacement of ceiling tiles, millwork, paint, or other finishing/fine detail that may be disturbed during the normal course of work.

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Breitung Fire Department

Signature: _____

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Erik Humphrey".

Name: Erik Humphrey

Title: Client Strategy Lead

Date: 04/15/2026

Signature: _____

Name: Trevor Banks

Date: _____

Billing Address:
Breitung Fire Department
39 1st Avenue
Soudan, MN 55782
US

Quote Date:04/13/2026
Expiration Date:06/12/2026
Quote Created By:
Erik Humphrey
Client Strategy Lead
ehumphrey@
dsccommunications.com
(715) 947-2027

End Customer:
Breitung Fire Department
Trevor Banks
fire@breitungtownship.org
(218) 780-9507

Line #	Item Number	Description	Qty	List Price	Sale Price	Ext. Sale Price
	APX™ 6500 / Enh Series	ENHANCEDAPX6500				
1	M25URS9PW1BN	MOBILE RADIO APX6500 ENHANCED 7/800 MHZ	1	\$3,764.00	\$2,258.40	\$2,258.40
1a	QA01648AA	ADD: HW KEY SUPPLEMENTAL DATA	1	\$6.42	\$3.85	\$3.85
1b	G51AU	SOFTWARE LICENSE ENH: SMARTZONE OPERATION APX6500	1	\$1,412.00	\$847.20	\$847.20
1c	G67DT	ADD: REMOTE MOUNT E5 APXM	1	\$350.00	\$210.00	\$210.00
1d	GA01606AA	ADD: NO BLUETOOTH/ WIFI/GPS ANTENNA NEEDED	1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1e	B18CR	ADD: AUXILIARY SPKR 7.5 WATT APX	1	\$71.00	\$39.60	\$39.60
1f	G444AH	ADD: APX CONTROL HEAD SOFTWARE	1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1g	G806BL	SOFTWARE LICENSE ENH: ASTRO DIGITAL CAI OP APX	1	\$607.00	\$364.20	\$364.20
1h	GA01670AA	ADD: APX E5 CONTROL HEAD	1	\$767.00	\$460.20	\$460.20
1i	W22BA	ADD: STD PALM MICROPHONE APX	1	\$85.00	\$47.40	\$47.40
1j	QA09113AB	ADD: BASELINE RELEASE SW	1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00



Any sales transaction following Motorola's quote is based on and subject to the terms and conditions of the valid and executed written contract between Customer and Motorola (the "Underlying Agreement") that authorizes Customer to purchase equipment and/or services or license software (collectively "Products"). If no Underlying Agreement exists between Motorola and Customer, then Motorola's Standard Terms of Use and Motorola's Standard Terms and Conditions of Sales and Supply shall govern the purchase of the Products.

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1k	G174AD	ADD: ANT 3DB LOW-PROFILE 762-870	1	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$30.00
1l	G361AH	SOFTWARE LICENSE ENH: P25 TRUNKING SOFTWARE APX	1	\$353.00	\$211.80	\$211.80
1m	G78AT	ENH: 3 YEAR ESSENTIAL SVC	1	\$288.00	\$288.00	\$288.00
1n	G193AK	ADD: ADP ONLY (NON-P25 CAP COMPLIANT) (US ONLY)	1	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Grand Total**\$4,760.65(USD)****Notes:**

- Unless otherwise noted, this quote excludes sales tax or other applicable taxes (such as Goods and Services Tax, sales tax, Value Added Tax and other taxes of a similar nature). Any tax the customer is subject to will be added to invoices.



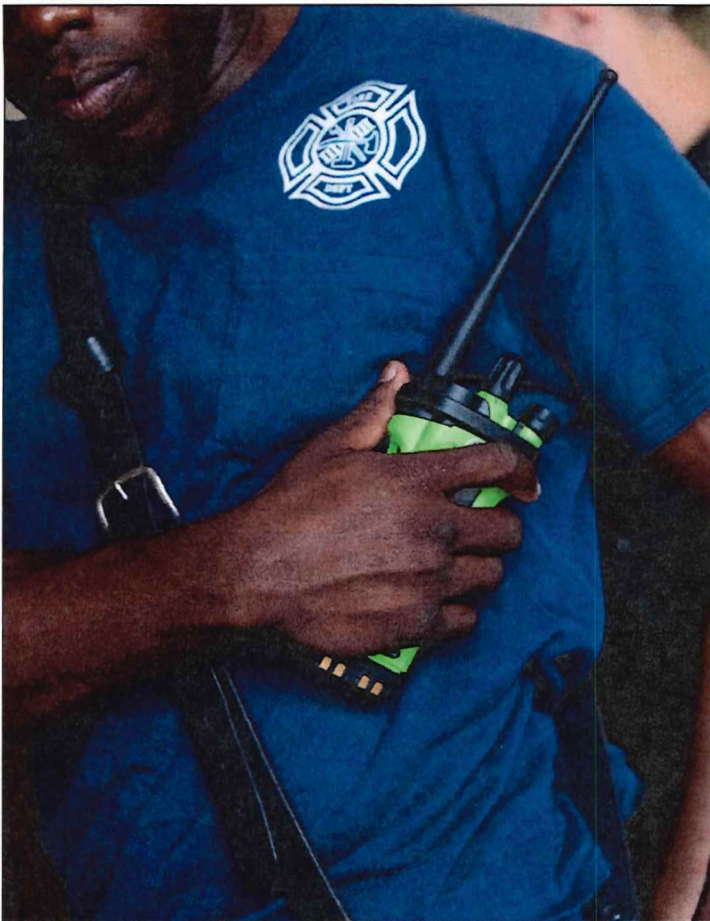
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Ask us about our **MANAGED SERVICE AGREEMENTS**

WHAT IS INCLUDED:

- Support & Telemetry Services
- Knowledge Management
- Consulting and Planning

*Providing
Communication and Video Solutions
for a Safer and More Efficient
Environment.*

ADVANTAGES of a SERVICE AGREEMENT:

- Priority Services
- Less Down Time
- Fixed Repair Budget
- Preventative Maintenance
- Extended Life of Equipment



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