Township of Breitung Agenda – Regular Board Meeting

Township of Breitung Regular Board Meeting 10-20-2026
Timothy Tomsich Community Center 6:00 PM

- Call the meeting to order/Roll Call
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Acceptance of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
  - 09/15/2026 Regular Board Meeting
  - 10/16/2026 Special Board Meeting

- Approval of September 2026 Treasurer's Report
  - Checks Written: 60501 – 60586
  - Total Disbursements: $217,756.77
  - Fund Balance: $952,998.77
  - Voided Checks: None

- Correspondence
    - St. Louis County: Planning & Zoning Department
    - RAMS: Annual Meeting & Dinner
    - SLCAT: Monthly Minutes, Annual Minutes, and Schedule

Reports:

- Police – Attached
- Fire & Rescue – Attached
- Road and Bridge – Attached
- Water – Attached
- Wastewater Board
- Ambulance Commission
- Recreation
- Joint Powers Recreation Board
- Joint Airport Zoning Board

Public Input

Old Business

- Current Infrastructure Projects
    - McKinley Park Trail Loop
    - Thompson Farm Road
    - Stuntz Bay Access Rd
    - McKinley Park: ADA Project
    - 2026 Recreation Project
- Broadband Project
- Joint Comprehensive Plan
- Blight
    - Community Pick-up
- Fire Truck Sale
- Indian Point Road Association Request
- Resolution 2026-20: Project Labor Agreement
- Facility Use Forms Update

New Business

- Pay Bills as presented
- Facility Use Request
- IOUE Local 49 Contract
- LMCIT Dividend
- McKinley Park Campground Contractor Site Use
- Veit & Company, Inc. Contract
- Resolution 2026-22: Accepting Donations
- Resolution 2026-23: Grant Authorization

Next Board Meetings

Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, November 17, 2026

Adjourn

Breitung Township
Regular Board Meeting 09-15-2026, 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, Supervisor Stephen Tekautz, Clerk Amber Zak, Treasurer Teresa Dolinar
Public: Nathan Cvetan, Police Chief Daniel Reing, Scarlet Stone (Timberjay), Tony Perpich (left at 8 PM), Robert Gregg, Randy Pratt (left at 8:05 PM), John Jamnick (JPJ Engineering, left at 7 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
2nd by Supervisor Peitso
Motion Passed 3-0

Approval of Minutes
Motion by Supervisor Tekautz to approve the minutes of the 08-18-2026 Regular Board Meeting, as presented
2nd by Chairman Tuchel
Discussion regarding the Project Labor Agreement and whether a resolution had been signed. Clerk Zak indicated that she thought she forgot to correct the minutes to reflect the signing of the resolution
Motion failed 0-3
Motion by Chairman Tuchel to table the approval of the 08-18-2026 Regular Board Meeting until the Project Labor Agreement minutes could be corrected and passed at next month's meeting
2nd by Supervisor Peitso
Motion Passed 3-0

Approval of Treasurer's Report
Treasurer Dolinar discussed and summarized the provided reports.
Motion by Supervisor Peitso to accept the August 2026 Treasurers Report as presented
2nd by Supervisor Tekautz
Motion passed 3-0

Approval of Minutes
Clerk Zak requested that the board go back to the minutes of the 08-18-2026 meeting; she clarified that they had in fact not signed a resolution in August, but requested one to be available for approval at the September meeting. While no such resolution was available and placed on the September agenda, the minutes of the 08-18-2026 were correct and she would be sure to include the resolution in the October meeting agenda.
Motion by Chairman Tuchel to approve the minutes of the 08-18-2026 Regular Board Meeting, as presented
2nd by Supervisor Tekautz
Motion Passed 3-0

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Correspondence
None

Reports
- Police – Attached; Chief Reing reviewed the notes of his report
- Fire& Rescue – Attached
- Road and Bridge – Attached
- Water – Attached
- Wastewater Board – Chairman Tuchel stated that construction on the RIBS project was getting under way next week, he notated that the ATV trail in that location was to be vacated and re-routed around the hill, not on township property.
- Ambulance – No updates, next meeting October 5, 2026
- Recreation – No updates, rec project to be discussed during Old Business
- Joint Powers Recreation Board – No updates
- Noxious Weeds – Clerk Zak noted that the Assistant LWI, Stephanie Ukkola, had sent the final certified letter to the property owner that had not corrected the issue of noxious weeds on his property, at this time there was nothing more to be done. Noxious Weeds to be removed from the list of reports for the time being.
- Joint Airport Zoning Board – No updates

Public Input
Robert Gregg spoke to supervisors and questioned whether a recent email to the Breitung Police Department was being taken care of; the email revolved around a sign posted near an intersection with Mr. Gregg stating that the sign had been placed illegally on his property; Supervisor Tekautz noted he planned to take a drive out to look at the location of the sign and Chairman Tuchel had separately planned to take a look at it along with Maint. Sup. Gorsma. It was decided that Chairman Tuchel and Maint. Sup. Gorsma would be best equipped to take a look at the issue in the next week or two; Mr. Gregg offered to be present when the sign was inspected if necessary.

Old Business:
Current Infrastructure Projects
- McKinley Loop Trail – Chairman Tuchel stated that FAA had three more comments to be addressed, SEH was to respond. John Jamnick of JPJ noted that trail alignment needed modification for one easement and that once the FAA had fully approved, the project should be ready to go to bids.
- Thompson Farm Road Project – John Jamnick summarized the extent of work that had been done, noted that construction had started the week prior and culverts should be finished tomorrow, there would be an approximate 1 month turn around for the project.
  Nathan Cvetan questioned the purpose of moving the road; Chairman Tuchel explained that the original road ran through Breitung Township's pit, this would allow for more use of the gravel that was already there, as well as providing a corridor for the new ATV trail being placed by the DNR.
- Stuntz Bay Access Road – Chairman Tuchel noted that the $5,000 bill was still not figured out but thought it had something to do with the quantities of asphalt that had been laid; John Jamnick stated he did not have information on what the extra charges are for

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- McKinley Park: ADA Project – Supervisor Tekautz stated he had met with Mara Peterson and spent roughly six hours going through everything, including McKinley Park and the park in Soudan. He shared that there was good and bad news; the good being that the project is viable, the bad being that the bathrooms are absolutely not ADA compliant. The consultant had suggested a separate building with unisex bathrooms, showers, laundry, and fish cleaning all in one station. Supervisor Tekautz said that the specs of her recommendation should be coming in at the end of October; other items noted in relation to this project:
    - It should be fairly easy to make some accessible sites
    - There is too much of a lip between the patio and the door to the office
    - Pier is not level enough to be considered ADA compliant
    - None of the doors have openers and while it isn't legally necessary it was notable
- 2026 Recreation Project – Supervisor Peitso discussed the project updates including that Maint. Sup. Gorsma had been most recently working on installing the new batting cage, the black top was not yet in, representatives from the Disc Golf company had met with Gorsma to discuss placement of the Disc Golf goals, more trees had been received and planted. Discussion was had with regard to the width of the blacktop going in and whether it should be increased to be ADA compliant; Supervisor Tekautz agreed to touch base with Mara Peterson to find out if it would need to be increased to be compliant.

<u>Flood/FEMA process</u>
Clerk Zak had received notice from HSEM-MN that money for the management of the flood grant was incoming in the amount of $9,656.77.

<u>Broadband Project</u>
No update

<u>Joint Comprehensive Plan</u>
Clerk Zak noted that ARDC had received an excellent response to the surveys; it was discovered that the Community Meeting was to be held in Breitung at the same time as Big Truck Night at the park. Because of this, the meeting had been moved to the park in conjunction with Big Truck Night in order to be able to reach the most people.

<u>Blight</u>
Additional blight complaints had recently been submitted; Chief Reing noted he would be sending another letter and speaking with the resident in question.

<u>Fire Truck Sale</u>
The fire truck was currently listed on MN-Bid and being watched by 231 people.

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Indian Point Road Association Request

Chairman Tuchel spoke on the request, stating that since the last meeting, he had been in conversation with the Township attorney. According to the attorney, and based on everything that had been found thus far in old files, the easements are still in Breitung Township's name; one option is to turn over the easements into the road associations name and then they would have to maintain it. The lawyer noted that if we do work on the road for 6 years, it becomes the responsibility of Breitung Township. There is no evidence of a Minimum Maintenance Road resolution or agreement between the township and the road association. Chairman Tuchel noted that the previous chairperson, Tim Tomsich, recalled signing something after the road had been put in place, but there was no document found as such. Chairman Tuchel requested that Clerk Zak look through basement files for anything that might be found before the next meeting and they would work toward making a final decision at that time.

McKinley Park Campground Management

It was noted that the contract had been heavily updated and that all parties, including the current manager and board members, felt the contract was acceptable
Motion by Chairman Tuchel to approve the wording of the new contract
2nd by Supervisor Peitso
Motion Passed 3-0

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to offer said contract to Randy Pratt and Julie Kranz for an annual fee of $50,000.
2nd by Supervisor Peitso
Motion Passed 3-0

Discussion was had between supervisors and Randy Pratt; he indicated that he did not foresee any changes for quite some time and wondered whether the contract could include and auto renewal option if all parties were in agreement at the time.
Chairman Tuchel amended his previous motion to approve the wording of the new contract with the addition of the auto-renewal option for 1 year
2nd by Supervisor Peitso
Motion passed 3-0

New Business:

Pay Bills as Presented

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to Pay Bills as Presented.
2nd by Supervisor Peitso
Motion Passed 3-0

McKinley Park Campground

- 2027 Rates: Discussion was had regarding the current rates, Randy Pratt suggested keeping the rates the same but adjusting the Daily and Weekly rates up to include tax to make payment processing a bit easier. Supervisor Tekautz indicated he was not in favor of raising rates. Chairman Tuchel stated that he thought since Breitung's residents were seeing taxes go up, it should be expected that non-residents utilizing the township, should also expect to see rates go up. With that in mind, discussion was had on the amount that rates should go up.
  Motion was made by Chairman Tuchel to raise the rates according to the following schedule:

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	Electric	Non-Electric
Daily	$64 Including Tax	$40 Including Tax
Weekly	$400 Including Tax	$240 Including Tax
Monthly	$1400	$850
Seasonal	$4200	$2200

2nd by Supervisor Peitso
Motion passed 3-0

- Electrical Upgrade
  Supervisor Tekautz discussed the option of upgrading the electrical to be metered; he indicated that this could be done at the same time as ADA updates. Randy Pratt provided a quote of $1470 per meter; with 32 seasonals, that total came to approximately $46k. Discussion was had as to whether it would be financially worth it, noting that it had been done at Hoodoo Point at half that rate and it had taken 5 years to recoup the cost of the upgrade. It was questioned whether this type of expenditure could be considered a match for the ADA project, Supervisor Tekautz would check with Nancy Larson on that possibility.
- Water Service Upgrade
  Minimal discussion on water upgrade, noted that some lines were going to freeze over the winters and there was no real way to prevent this, with or without an upgrade.

Randy Pratt provided his report for the year: He noted that it had been a spectacular learning experience and that he was excited for next year. He noted that there had been some issues with WIFI as the trees had grown up since the equipment had been installed; Clerk Zak was directed to check on the OnSystems contract. Randy noted that the current campground map was lacking in some of the site updates as well as the placement of the sites on the map and the road names, he was directed to discuss a new map with the Timberjay. He noted that electricity had been an issue that summer, with one outage lasting 19 hours; this created a problem with the bathrooms as they were pump operated, he recommended purchasing a generator for occasions like this. He mentioned other potential upgrades such as adjustable docks, water heater, picnic tables at sites. He stated that he had found an additional 3 tent sites that were not on the map and not in the system and had put them into use, he praised the efforts of the R&B department including the youth labor, and finally suggested a non-refundable deposit for site bookings now that they were taken online.

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to include a $15 non-refundable deposit for daily and weekly sites and a $250 non-refundable deposit for monthly sites to be paid at booking
2nd by Supervisor Peitso
Discussion: the deposits would count toward the overall total charged to guests at check-in
Motion passed 3-0

Facility Use Forms Update
Supervisors were approving up the updated forms but after learning about contracts from the changes to the McKinley Park Management contract, Clerk Zak was directed to run the updated facility use forms by the township attorney.

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Resolution 2026-21: Appointing Election Judges

Clerk Zak discussed the appointing of election judges with the board noting that the township was required by law to have 4 judges on at all times; at the last election, several had to drop out and it was necessary for Clerk Zak to stand in as a judge. She elaborated that she also wanted to hire youth judges; though they could not count toward the minimum number of judges, she felt it would be a good way to build a base of judges for future elections.

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to approve Resolution 2026-21
2nd by Supervisor Tekautz
Motion passed 3-0

Next Board Meetings

Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, October 20, 2026, at 6:00 PM

Adjourn

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM
2nd by Supervisor Peitso
Motion passed 3-0

Respectfully Submitted

Amber Zak
Clerk, Breitung Township

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Breitung Township
Regular Board Meeting 10-16-2026, 9:00 AM
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, Supervisor Stephen Tekautz, Clerk Amber Zak, Treasurer Teresa Dolinar
Public: Dave Bystrom, Daniel Wiirre, Scarlet Stone (Timberjay Newspaper), Zach Lucas (VEIT & Company, Inc.), William Pellico (Fermilab), Tom Gorsmas (Maint. Sup.)

Call to Order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Tuchel

Acceptance of Agenda
Motion by Supervisor Tekautz to accept the agenda with the exception of the time stamp of 6:00 PM being changed to 9:00 AM
2nd by Supervisor Peitso
Motion Passed 3-0

New Business:
Use of McKinley Park Campground Property by Fermilab's contractor, VEIT & Company, Inc. for placing a planned Neutrino Detector in Lake Vermilion, Minnesota
Chairman Tuchel began by summarizing a special meeting, noting that this was the only item on the agenda and the only one that would be able to be discussed at this meeting. Chairman Tuchel invited Zach Lucas to speak regarding the planned project.

Mr. Lucas explained the following:
VEIT & Company would be installing the system and placing it in the lake, the system would be marked off by buoys around 10 detectors on the North side of Ely Island at a space approximately 10 feet wide by 100 Meters Longs; it would be installed roughly 300 feet off shoreline. Phase 1 would be starting October 20, 2026 with work through November of 2026 and would include building a barge and crane at McKinley Park Campground; for this, the boat launch and beach would be used with expected operating hours of 7 AM – 7 PM. The detectors would be loaded onto the barge using a crane with weights coming in at approximately 48K pounds. Once the detectors were loaded and installed into the lake, the barge and crane would be demobilized and the beach would be restored with grading/re-seeding-sodding. The experiment would be performed over the winter utilizing a monitoring system that would be housed inside of a hut on Ely Island (property owner approved).

Phase 2 of the project would begin in October of 2027 and would include the re-building of the barge and crane systems; the detectors would be removed from the lake and hauled to McKinley Park Campground to be loaded onto trucks. Once the detectors were out, the barge and cranes would be demobilized, and beach repair would once again be completed.

Questions from board members and audience members regarding the size and depth were addressed: the detectors would be located in approximately 35 feet of water, tethered to blocks with approximately 3 feet of cable. The MUMs (Muon Underwater Monitors) are approximately 10 feet high, which would leave an approximate clearance of 15 – 20 feet.

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Mr. Pellico spoke next regarding the project specifically:
Fermilab is conducting the experiment and it must be done in a timely manner, as the beam that shoots the neutrinos from Chicago is being shut off in February, after being in commission since the mid-eighties. Fermilab is able to detect and separate neutrino events (beamed and naturally occurring cosmic neutrinos), but this would be the first time doing a water detection, the experiments are normally done in mines. The need for 10 detectors is a fail-safe for any that might have issues such as leaks, breaks, etc. The overall size of the detectors is 25 ft x 10 ft x 10ft and they would be interested in leaving one with the Soudan Mine so that students could study it; he noted that they were also interested in holding STEM/Physics events with local high school as the experiment was being conducted and that local schools could come to see the installation as it was happening.

Questions from board members and audience members regarding the experiment were addressed: The end result is to see how well the detectors work in water and whether a detector like this, that can be cheaply made, will work; if so, it will open up a lot of experiments for the future. An example of potential use would be utilizing them to detect structure of pyramids in Egypt. The detectors would not cause noise; the neutrinos were being deployed by a gun/device in Chicago which had been pointed in this direction since the early-2000's. Fermilab is able to detect difference between caused events and natural events by the timing of the event.

Mr. Lucas spoke again on Veit & Company's proposal:
The intention with the work is to minimize damage and repair in the spring and the ultimate goal is to not use the boat launch in order to avoid damaging it; the crane pad would be set adjacent to the launch. Veit & Company would provide asphalt/bituminous repair (reclaim, recycle, repave) at a depth of 4 inches and the intention would be work with local contractors. He measured the area for repaving at 2500 square yards. Maint. Sup. Gorsma noted that some of the water lines, which are plastic, run under the pavement; Mr. Lucas indicated that mats could be put down to minimize the damage and that if there was damage, it would be repaired. The approximate value given to Mr. Lucas by one out-of-area contractor was $137k.

Chairman Tuchel noted items to consider:
The blacktop will be worse for use for the entire 2027 summer, there could be potential utility issues, incoming funds could be beneficial as a match for the future ADA project at McKinly Park Campground which involves the parking lot. He questioned Mr. Lucas on whether the township could ask for the value of the repair to act as a potential match; Mr. Lucas affirmed that would be reasonable. When questioned if the launch was damaged during the work, would it be repaired; Mr. Lucas affirmed it would be repaired.

Audience members were included in discussion:
Tom Gormsa – the township would need further assurance for other potential damages
Dave Bystrom – noted he was both for and against because it was so close to his property

Motion by Chairman Tuchel to allow Veit & Company, Inc. to utilize McKinly Park Campground until December 4, 2026 and to return October 2, 2027 through December 1, 2027 to conduct work related to the neutrino detection experiment. In turn, Veit must agree to provide 2500 square yards of asphalt at a 4-inch depth with the option of the value of asphalt replacement as cash payment at the township's discretion in Spring of 2028. Veit must further agree to restore beach and landscaping areas adjacent to boat launch and docks prior to campground opening 2027 as well as repair any incidental damage due to the project included but not limited to boat launch and utilities. Veit must further agree to restore parking lot to functioning status for the use of the 2027 camping season.

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2nd by Supervisor Tekautz
Motion passed 3-0

Next Board Meetings
Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, October 20, 2026, at 6:00 PM

Adjourn
Motion by Supervisor Peitso to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 AM
2nd by Chairman Tuchel
Motion passed 3-0

Respectfully Submitted

Amber Zak
Clerk, Breitung Township

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Township of Breitung
September 2026

Liabilities

Frandsen Bank and Trust

ReHab Loan	$169,006.15

Total Liabilities

Assets

Bank Accounts

Frandsen - Now Checking #000086	**$323,795.75**
Frandsen - MMD #86	$5,091.12
McKinley Park - Camp Ground	$82,445.22
4M Account	$346,346.11
Frandsen High Yield Money Market	$192,128.05
Frandsen MMD # 110183438	$13,653.27
Cert # 1300319690	$0.00
Total Cash	$963,459.52
Outstanding Checks September, 2026	$10,460.75
	$0.00

Funds		**Checking Account**	**Other Accounts**	**Total**
100	General	$74,778.61	$271,571.85	$346,350.46
201	Road & Bridge	$82,317.46	$75,000.00	$157,317.46
225	Fire	$5,295.15	$0.00	$5,295.15
620	Park	$46,426.87	$122,445.22	$168,872.09
227	Recreation	$20,868.27		$20,868.27
226	Police	$57,887.60	$0.00	$57,887.60
230	Projects	$25,461.04		$25,461.04
231	Town Hall Payment Reserve		$0.00	$0.00
250	Equipment Reserve	$0.00	$78,429.16	$78,429.16
251	Police Equipment Reserve	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
252	Firemen's Pension Reseve		$23,500.00	$23,500.00
253	Buildings and Grounds	$300.00	$33,350.00	$33,650.00
254	Sick Days Reserve		$22,183.05	$22,183.05
255	Projects Reserve		$0.00	$0.00
257	Gravel Reserve		$11,390.49	$11,390.49
258	Police Vacation Reserve		$1,794.00	$1,794.00
	Total Funds	**$313,335.00**	**$639,663.77**	**$952,998.77**

Total Funds		**$952,998.77**
Disbursements	$299,866.37	
Checks		
60501- 60586	$299,866.37	
Receipts	$217,256.77	
Transfers	$500.00	
Investments - moved	$9,794.00	$217,756.77
Interest * included in the receipts.	$1,636.55	

Treasurer report for October 2026

Movement of Funds between Bank Accounts

Fund	Amount	Moved from	Moved too
620 McKinley Park	77000	Checking McKinley Park	High Yield MM
253 Buildings and Grounds Reserve, pay for the roof.	19150.00	4m Account	Checking
231 Town Hall Payment Reserve, Loan Payment	40000.00	High Yield Money Market	Checking
Total Moved			

Police Equipment is underfunded on the Police Car by $15,101.81, has been funded by $7,101.81 Sick Days Reserve, and $8,000.00 from Police Vacation Reserve. These amounts will be returned when dollars are available. Possibly from the sale of the old squad car.

Thanks Teresa Dolinar

Breitungtownship

Program Code Report

For the Period : 1/1/2026 To 12/31/2026 **10/8/2026**

Program Code: 102 - Thompson Farm Road Relocation

Disbursements

Date	Check Number	Vendor	Account Number	Amount
03/24/2026	60073	JPJ Engineering Inc	230-43121-303	6,127.50
04/07/2026	60103	Mesabi Bituminous	230-43122-403	15,000.00
07/14/2026	60373	JPJ Engineering Inc	230-43122-303	5,138.25
08/11/2026	60432	St Louis County Public Works Dept	230-43122-307	2,630.09
10/06/2026	60601	JPJ Engineering Inc	230-43122-303	11,844.91
Total Disbursements				**40,740.75**

Saint Louis County

Planning and Zoning Department
www.stlouiscountymn.gov

TO: Interested Applicants

FROM: Skyler Webb, Land Use Planner

DATE: September 18, 2026

RE: St. Louis County Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Aid

St. Louis County is soliciting proposals to prevent the introduction or limit the spread of aquatic invasive species (AIS) in St. Louis County. St. Louis County is the recipient of $354,925 County Program Aid grant funds for AIS prevention from the State of Minnesota as a result of the 2014 Session Law Chapter 308. The purpose of these funds is to "prevent the introduction or limit the spread of aquatic invasive species at all access sites within the county" (MN Statutes 477A.19).

Please note the St. Louis County AIS Prevention Program will be available provided state funding is appropriated for the program.

Applications are due by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, November 20th, 2026. Applications may be mailed to Skyler Webb at St. Louis County Planning and Zoning, 201 South 3rd Avenue West, Virginia, MN 55792 or emailed as a PDF file to: webbs@stlouiscountymn.gov. Please contact Skyler Webb at 218-471-7103 if you need any of the forms mailed to you.

The St. Louis County Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Plan and application information are posted on the St. Louis County Website: http://www.stlouiscountymn.gov/ais. The application information includes the following items:

1. Request for Proposal Overview
2. Application Form Including Budget Worksheet
3. Instructions for Narrative Sections of Application
4. Sample St. Louis County Contract

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SAVE THE DATE

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ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

Thursday, December 3, 2026

5:00 pm – Check-in, Social Hour, Meet Board Candidates
6:30 pm – Dinner Begins
6:45 pm – Program Begins

Iron Trail Motors Event Center
Virginia, MN 55792

Seating is limited, so early registration is welcome. Electronic **RSVP** is required by:

Friday, November 27.

RSVP↑

"One Range...One Voice!"

ST. LOUIS COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF TOWNSHIPS
NEXT MEETING: SEPT. 23, 2026 6:30 PM COTTON COMMUNITY CENTER
2026 ANNUAL MEETING OF MAY 27, 2026

Call Meeting to Order: President Jim Aird called the meeting to order at 6pm; Cotton Community Center, with approximately 70 Township Officers and guests in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Speakers – Guests Rep. Natalie Zelesnikar, Rep. Roger Skraba, and Rep. Cal Warwas. Thank you from SLCAT for being in attendance and sharing the latest from the MN legislative branch including property taxes, nuclear question study, healthcare related issues, wildfire management, and transportation.

Minutes: The May 28, 2025 Annual Meeting Minutes were emailed to all township clerks and interested persons. A motion was made by Penny Dieryck and seconded by Beth Caple to approve the minutes as printed. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report: The following cash flow statement for Fiscal Year 2025 was read by Secretary/Treasurer Megan Julin:

Beginning Balance 1/08/2025	$7,795.99
Deposits (1)	+$1,575.00
CASH ON HAND	**$9,370.99**
Expenses #2106-2121	$(6,600.93)
ACH	$ (752.69)
	$(7,353.62)
Ending Balance 01/08/2026	***$ 2,017.37***

The ledgers were audited by Ron Gajewski, Bob Hirsch, and Tammi McGregor on April 22, 2026. The books and bank statements were found to be in good order. A motion was made by Sandi Nelson and seconded by Earl Grano to approve the audit as performed. Motion carried.

Resolutions – None

Old Business: Election of Officers – April 2026 Slate of Officers: President Jim Aird; Vice-President Jim Fisher, Secretary/Treasurer Megan Julin; Dist. 4 Philip Lobb; Dist. 5 Scott Welsh; Dist. 6 Beth Caple; Dist. 7 Megan Deslongchamps; North at Large Director Jim Hofsommer; and South at Large Director Cindy Moe. A motion was made by Sandi Nelson and seconded by Ron Gajewski to close nominations and cast a white ballot for the Executive Board which includes President Jim Aird; Vice-President Jim Fisher, and Secretary/Treasurer Megan Julin Motion carried. A motion was made by Jesse Simek and seconded by Wendi Randall to close nominations and cast a white ballot for the above listed SLCAT District and at Large Directors. Motion carried.

Review By-Laws – The SLCAT By-laws were reviewed with no changes.

New Business:

Set a Fee Schedule: Currently Dues are $150.00 base per township and 0.10 cents per capita. Effective Date 1/1/2026. A motion was made by Jim Hofsommer and seconded by Phill Lobb SLCAT dues remain the same at $150.00 base per township and $0.10 per capita. Motion carried.

Monthly meetings: Currently set for Sept.; Oct; Dec. (1st Wed); Jan; Feb; Mar; Apr; May (annual meeting) Approved for the 4th Wed of the month or as noted. A motion was made by Marie Koski and seconded by Gene Kacer to eliminate the December Meeting. Meetings will be held on the fourth Wednesday of September, October, January, February, March, April, and May. Steve Sandstrom Object. Motion carried.

MAT Annual Meeting Registration Prizes: A motion was made by Beth Caple and seconded by Lita Wallace to provide seven MAT Annual Meeting Registrations as prizes at tonight's meeting. Motion carried.

Recess: A break was taken to have dinner and the meeting was resumed after.

Speakers – Nick Stewart St. Louis County Surveyor 218-471-7823 and Preston Dowell Deputy St. Louis County Surveyor 218-471-7824. The County Surveyor is responsible for directing the operation of the Land Survey Division of the Public Works Department. It recommends and implements division goals as approved by the County Highway Engineer. It reviews and approves proposed land subdivision plats, and provides professional land survey services or guidance to all St. Louis County departments. Their job is to maintain the numerous records and perpetuate the original positions of the Public Land Survey System (PLSS) throughout St. Louis County. They also provide land surveying services to a variety of county departments, including Public Works, Land and Minerals, the Auditors Office, Recorder, Title Examiners and Attorney's Office to name a few. For developers and professional surveyor's, we review and approve plats, common interest community (CIC), and registered land surveys (RLS). For land owners, we assist with general land survey boundary issues and document research. A Q&A followed.
Next Annual Meeting – the 2026 SLCAT Annual Meeting will be held on May 26, 2027 5:30pm at the Cotton Community Center.
Prizes: 7 registrations of MAT ANNUAL 2026 STATE CONFERENCE were announced. The winners were Pat Simberg (Wuori), Jodi Knaus (White), Brenda Shnuerrer (Ault), Glen Bergerson (Beatty), Jim Hofsommer (Colvin), Beth Caple (Ellsburg), and Dave Houle (Ault) Please contact Megan who will be attending and if there are any changes of township officials. Other prizes were distributed by SLCAT officers.
Adjourn: As there was no further business, a motion was made, seconded and carried to adjourn. Mtg. adjourned at approximately 8:00 pm.
Respectfully submitted: Megan Julin, Sec/Treasurer

Thank you for your interest in township government. Keep up the good work. Megan J.

Megan Julin, Sec/Treas
PO Box 126
Cotton, MN 55724
218-348-5959
slctownshipofficers@gmail.com

ST. LOUIS COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF TOWNSHIPS
APRIL 22, 2026 MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
NEXT MEETING: May 27, 2026 6:00 PM
SPEAKER: NICK STEWART ST. LOUIS COUNTY SURVEYOR
https://meet.goto.com/SLCATO
Phone: 1-312-757-3121 Access Code: 964-698-949

Following Meeting: September 23, 2026 6:30 pm Cotton

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Call Meeting to Order: President Jim Aird called the April 22, 2026 meeting to order at approximately 6:30 pm, Cotton Town Hall. There were 27 township officers present and five officers virtually present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.
Speaker: The association heard from Steve Krasaway, St. Louis Public Works Resident Engineer. He spoke on several current and upcoming road and bridge projects within St. Louis County. His presentation was followed by a Q & A.
Secretary's Report: March 25, 2026, minutes were sent by email to all township clerks, interested officers, St. Louis County commissioners, and state representatives.
Treasurer's Report: Megan read the following cash flow statement: Beginning Balance 3/7/26 $11,905.23; Deposits none; Expenses:$815.81. Ending Balance 4/08/2026 $11,089.42. A motion was made by Sandi Nelson, seconded by Scott Welsh and carried to approve the March 25, 2026 minutes and treasurer's report as submitted. Ron Gajewski mentioned the treasurer's 2025 books were audited by himself, Tami McGregor, and Bob Hirsch prior to the meeting and everything was in good order.
Old Business: There was no old business to discuss.
New Business: *Slate of officers* Township officers canvassed for officers. Outcome: All township officers Jim Aird, President, Jim Fisher, VP, Megan Julin, Sec/Treas, Dist. 4 Philip Lobb; Dist 5 Scott Welsh; Dist 6 Beth Caple; Dist 7 Megan Deslongchamps; At Large Jim Hofsommer and Cindy Moe. If there are any interested officers who would like to be nominated, nominations will be offered at the May meeting for election of officers/Directors.
Adjourn: There being no further business, a motion was made by Bob Hirsch and seconded by Scott Welsh to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Megan Julin, Sec/Treas.
Phone: 218-348-5959, Email: slctownshipofficers@gmail.com, Address: PO Box 126 Cotton, MN 55724

2026/2027 SLCAT MEETING DATES

September 23, 2026 @ 6:30pm

October 28, 2026 @ 6:30pm

***No meeting in November**

***No meeting in December**

January 27, 2027 @ 6:30pm

February 24, 2027 @ 6:30pm

March 24, 2027 @ 6:30pm

April 28, 2027 @ 6:30pm
Audit @ 5:00pm
Directors Meeting @ 5:30pm

May 26, 2027 Annual Meeting
Meet/greet segment 5:30-6:00pm
Election of Officers and Meeting 6-6:30pm
Catered Meal @ 6:30pm

All meetings held at the Cotton Community Center
9087 Hwy 53 – Cotton, MN 55724

***To attend meetings virtually, please use the access code listed below**

2025/2026 SLCAT Meetings

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FAX: (218) 753-2407

41 1ST AVE ● P.O. BOX 6
SOUDAN MN 55782

DANIEL REING
CHIEF OF POLICE

September 2026 Monthly Police Report

Calls for Service (ICRs) 146

Citations 7

One adult male citation for Speed (78/55)
One adult male citation for No Seat Belt
One adult male citation for Speed (78/60)
One adult male citation for Speed (68/50)
One adult male citation for Expired Tabs (December 2025)
One adult male citation for Speed (78/60)
One adult male citation for Driving After Revocation and No Proof of Insurance.

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DANIEL REING
CHIEF OF POLICE

September was a very busy month. The weather was nice and mild. Our area youth are back in school, the month went by very quickly.

I want to remind everyone to slow down and watch our speed limit signs. Please move over for our emergency vehicles. ALWAYS MIND YOUR SURROUNDINGS.

Breitung hosted Big Truck Night, we had an impressive number of kids visit the event. It was nice to interact and show our equipment too. Officer Stauty and I enjoyed the conversations. We will also be in Babbitt for a similar event in October.

Officer Shenett and Officer Stauty attended EVOC training as well. It is always important to practice emergency driving on a closed course.

A reminder that our annual Tacos with Cops will be on October 3rd from 11 am to 3 pm. This event will take place at the Tim Tomsich community center in Soudan.

Daniel Reing

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

September 2026 Fire Dept Report

Our regular monthly fire department training consisted of Ladder and equipment inspections and maintenance. This training was conducted in-house by our training officer.

For the month of September, we responded to the following calls: Fire Alarm, I-phone crash detection, Structure Fire, Personal Injury Accident, Stranded Boater on Lake Vermilion, and a Carbon Monoxide Alarm.

We participated in the in the Big Truck Night at the Soudan Park.

Road and Bridge report October 2026

Still mowing and trimming

Prepared for and hosted BIG TRUCK NIGHT

Flushed hydrants and winterized

Tree and brush removal

Adding gravel and maintenance to roads

Closed McKinley Park for the season, lifted docks, blew water lines, winterized etc…

Cleaning valve boxes and repairs

Added storm sewer access to parking area at community center

Took delivery of new 1 ton

Maintenance on equipment

Closed baseball field for the year, Vermilion college is done using it

Numerous seasonal water shut offs

Continued working on REC GRANT 2026 projects

BREITUNG WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS **September-26**

Checking Balance Forward		18,381.54
Deposits - Accounts Receivable		8,491.38
Interest		12.75
Balance		26,885.67
Disbursements		
Township Payroll Reimb - September 2026		2,016.80
WW Board - August		5,979.81
US Postal - Stamps		130.00
Minnesota Department of Health		943.00
Frandsen Bank & Trust - NSF Swan & Bundy		74.00
Total Disbusements		9,143.61
Ending Balance		17,742.06
Checking Account		17,742.06
Savings Account		78,321.07
Interest	45.94	
TOTAL Sep-26		**96,063.13**

City of Tower

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

MAILED NOTICE

SAFETY ZONE B LANDOWNERS

September 29, 2026

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 22nd day of October 2026, at 5:00 p.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 B as defined by the proposed Ordinance. The Safety Zone B restrictions provide, among other things, that, aside from existing uses, Safety Zone B shall be restricted as follows:

a. Each use shall be on a site whose area shall not be less than three acres.

b. Each use shall not create, attract, or bring together a site population that would exceed 15 times that of the site acreage.

c. Each site shall have no more than one building plot upon which any number of structures may be erected.

d. A building plot shall be a single, uniform and noncontrived area; whose shape is uncomplicated and whose area shall not exceed the following minimum ratios with respect to the total site area:

Site Area at least (Acres)	But Less Than (Acres)	Ratio of Site Area to Bldg. Plot Area	Building Plot Area (sq. ft.)	Max. Site Population (15 persons/Acre)
3		12:1	10,900	45
	4	12:1		
4		10:1	17,400	60
	6	10:1		
6		8:1	32,600	90
	10	8:1		
10		6:1	72,500	150
	20	6:1		
20	and up	4:1	218,000	300

e. The following uses are specifically prohibited in Safety Zone B. Churches, hospitals, schools, theaters, stadiums, hotels and motels, trailer courts, campgrounds, and other places of frequent public or semipublic assembly.

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 yours,

Tammy Mortaloni

Tammy Mortaloni
City Clerk/Treasurer

City of Tower

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MAILED NOTICE

SAFETY ZONE A LANDOWNERS

September 29, 2026

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 22nd day of October 2026, at 5:00 p.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 yours,

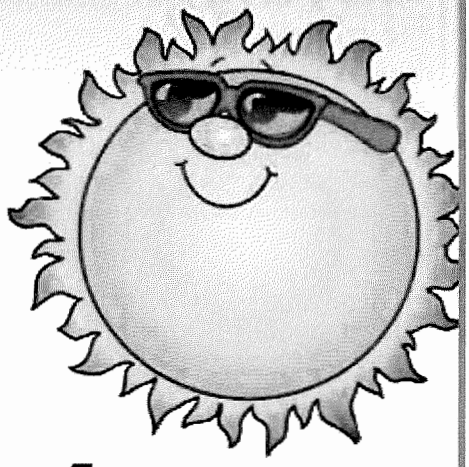
Tammy Mortaloni

Tammy Mortaloni

City Clerk/Treasurer

Tidy-up Tower/Soudan

Got Cabin Fever? Itching to enjoy the outdoors? Tired of Trash? Here's the perfect way to build up immunity from all of those maladies!



Area residents are being asked to do their part in this project...to spruce up Tower and Soudan/Breitung Township.

Monday, May 4
Wednesday, May 6

- Brush, yard waste
- Old appliances/other junk
- Trash on adjacent roadsides and vacant lots
- Bagged yard waste and brush (3 ft bundles)
- Old appliances, building debris, and junk in general

Please leave all this in neat piles alongside alleys.
The city is looking at options for disposal of junk vehicles.

TOWER: Need volunteers with trucks/trailers to help pick up brush, trash and appliances being collected. Volunteers email to: **Mayor@CityofTower.com** to sign up, or post a message on the City of Tower Facebook page.

SOUDAN-BREITUNG TOWNSHIP: Pick-ups can be arranged for brush, appliances and other items by calling the township office at **218-753-6020 (office open Tu-Th 8 a.m-4 p.m.)** Township maintenance staff will pick up the items on May 4 or 6.

Please Do Not Litter

This garbage was picked up recently on Tower-Soudan area streets.



RESOLUTION 2026-20
BREITUNG TOWNSHIP of St. Louis County, MN
Resolution Approving Utilization of a Project Labor Agreement

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS
TOWNSHIP OF BREITUNG

WHEREAS, Breitung Township is desirous of efficient and timely completion of construction projects undertaken by Breitung Township; and

WHEREAS, the courts have upheld the implementation of Project Labor Agreements for public projects; and

WHEREAS, Project Labor Agreements facilitate the timely completion of projects by making available a ready and adequate supply of skilled craft workers; providing a negotiated commitment, which is a legally enforceable means of assuring labor stability and labor peace over the life of a project; avoiding work stoppage following expiration of a collective bargaining agreement between the union and an employer performing work on the project and facilitating equal employment opportunities on a project,

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that Project Labor Agreements be utilized by Breitung Township for all future construction projects, in excess of $150,000, unless otherwise prohibited by law, or if funding sources specifically exclude this,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Breitung Township hereby directs the Township staff to utilize the Project Labor Agreement approved by the Township Attorney for all future construction projects in excess of $150,000.00,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Breitung Township shall implement the Project Labor Agreement by requiring adherence to the Agreement in the bid specifications and all relevant bid documents,

Upon vote taken, the following voted:

For:
Against:
Absent:

WHEREUPON, said Resolution NO. 2026-20 was declared duly passed and adopted this 20th day of October, 2026.

_____ _____

Matthew Tuchel – Chairman Amber Zak - Clerk

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FACILITY USE AGREEMENT AND SAVE HARMLESS AGREEMENT FOR USE OF

THE TOWNSHIP OF BREITUNG COMMUNITY ROOM

Adopted April 27th, 2023

We, the undersigned, do hereby acknowledge that we have been authorized to use/rent the community room at The Township of Breitung, Soudan, MN for a special event. We further recognize that this includes the use of the kitchen adjacent to the community room, restrooms and grounds. We understand the FACILITY USE AND RENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS as adopted on April 27th, 2023 and are hereby attached as part of this agreement for the use and rental of said facility.

We hereby agree that we will responsibly use the facility. We will inspect the facility prior to use and agree to be responsible for any damages that result from our use and to pay for the repair of any damages caused by our negligent use of said facility and equipment. We further agree to save the Township of Breitung harmless from any and all claims, either by us or those who participate in the use of the facility or Township owned equipment.

I hereby certify that I am an authorized representative of the group seeking to use the facilities and that I personally, on behalf of said group, accept responsibility for any damages to said facility. I also certify that I have read and will comply with the rules and regulations on the use of the facility.

Dated this 20 day of OCTOBER, 20 26.

Name: [redacted] Group Name: MEMORIAL FOR [redacted]

Request to have beer available.

Address: SOUDAN MN 55782

Telephone: [redacted] Date Needed: OCTOBER 31, 2026
All Day

Time Needed: 9:00 am to 4 pm Clean up after

Purpose: MEMORIAL FOR [redacted] Adult Sponsor: _____

(for youth groups only)

Signature: [redacted]

Township Office Use only: □Scheduled □Key Picked Up □Key Returned □ Fee Paid

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September 10, 2026

Township of Breitung
Attn: Dianna Sunsdahl
PO Box 56
Soudan, MN 55782

Re: Contract Opener

Dear Ms. Sunsdahl:

In accordance with the provisions in Article 20 of the Agreement between the Township of Breitung and International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 49, we are hereby opening the Agreement.

Please contact my office to set up a meeting date.

Sincerely,

Cory Bergerson
Area Business Representative
International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 49
8381 Enterprise Drive North
Virginia, MN 55792
Mobile: 612-247-6704
Email: cbergerson@local49.org

Outlook

We have received your submission re: Notice of Desire to Negotiate

From Bureau of Mediation Services via Jotform <noreply@jotform.com>
Date Thu 9/10/2026 4:15 PM
To Nicole Hautajarvi <duluth@local49.org>

Notice of Desire to Negotiate

Sector:	Public
Name of Employer:	Township of Breitung
Address:	PO Box 56, Soudan, MN, 55782
Name of Employer Representative or Counsel:	Dianna Sunsdahl
Address:	33 First Ave, Soudan, MN, 55782
Phone Number:	(218) 753-6020
Email:	clerk@breitungtownshipmn.gov
Address:	2829 Anthony Lane South, Minneapolis, MN, 55418
Name of Union Representative or Counsel:	Cory Bergerson
Address:	8381 Enterprise Drive North, Virginia, MN, 55792
Phone Number:	(612) 247-6704
Email:	cbergerson@local49.org
Type of Employer:	Other Public

Bargaining Unit Type:	Streets / Highway / Public Works
Status of Employees Involved? (Minn. Stat. 179A.03, subd. 7):	Other Than Essential
Number of Employees in Unit:	2
Expiration Date of Current Contract:	12/31/2026
Date Petitioner Will Send Copy to Other Party(s):	09-10-2026
Name of Person Filing this Notice:	Nicole Hautajarvi
E-Mail Address of Person Filing this Notice:	duluth@local49.org
Signature:	

LEAGUE OF MINNESOTA CITIES INSURANCE TRUST

WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAM

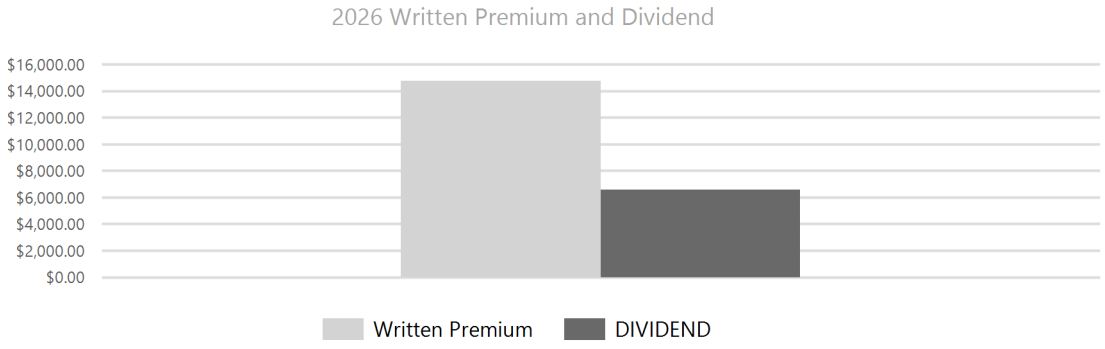
2026 DIVIDEND CALCULATION

AT SEPTEMBER 01, 2026

BREITUNG TOWNSHIP

GROSS EARNED PREMIUM	**$282,554**
ADJUSTED LOSSES	**$90,843**
DIVIDEND RATIO	**0.00032899000**
DIVIDEND AMOUNT	**$6,580**

BREITUNG TOWNSHIP



Category	Dollars
Gross Earned Premium	$282,554.00
Net Losses	$180,411.00
Adjusted Losses	$90,843.00
Net Gain / Loss	$191,711.00
Dividend Ratio	0.00033
Previous Dividends	$14,291

The "gross earned premium" figure is the member's total earned premiums as of September 01, 2026 for the past 20 years. This is the premium figure that's used in the dividend calculation.
The "2026 written premium" figure is the member's total premium for the member's most recent renewal prior to September 01, 2026 (for most members, only a portion of that 2026 written premium would be earned as of September 01, 2026).

From: Fredericks, Sarah
To: clerk@breitungtownshipmn.gov
Subject: LMCIT Workers' Compensation Dividend Notification
Date: Tuesday, September 29, 2026 9:52:18 AM
Attachments: 0686_Breitung Township.pdf

Dear Amber,

A check for your share of the $20 million dividend from the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust's (LMCIT) workers' compensation program will be mailed to you during the week of September 28. The attached document outlines your 2026 dividend amount as well as previous dividend amounts. A copy has also been sent to your insurance agent. We encourage you to share this news with your city council, governing boards, and leadership team.

Supporting Safety and Loss Control
Members are encouraged to consider using their dividend to strengthen employee safety and loss control efforts. Investments in training, equipment, and other risk management initiatives can help reduce workplace injuries and claims over time, contributing to healthier organizations and supporting the long term strength of our insurance pool.

Workers' Compensation Program Performance
This year's $20 million workers' compensation dividend reflects the program's strong financial position and the LMCIT Board's thoughtful stewardship of member resources. When program balances exceed what is needed for current and projected claims, the Board may choose to return excess funds to members. At the same time, the Board may determine that retaining funds is the best way to support member needs—such as developing new programs, enhancing loss control services, or maintaining long term rate stability during periods of uncertainty.

Property/Casualty Program Outlook
No dividend was approved for the property/casualty program this year. The Board determined it was prudent to hold available funds to support the program's long term financial strength, particularly in light of ongoing market volatility and claims uncertainty. Retaining funds helps ensure the program remains well positioned to manage changing conditions while continuing to provide stable, reliable coverage for members.

Dividends and Future Planning
Dividends are not guaranteed, and members should not count on them when planning annual budgets. Fund balances fluctuate over time due to factors such as member claims, investment results, legislative changes, reinsurance costs, and LMCIT's long-term strategic goals. Each year, the Board evaluates the best uses of any excess funds, which may include returning a dividend or investing in other alternatives. Our ongoing goal remains the same—broad, affordable, and stable coverage.

Distribution and Eligibility
To be eligible for distribution, a city or other entity must be a member of the workers' compensation program as of Sept. 1, 2026. Each member's share is determined based on premiums and total losses over the past 20 years. For calculation purposes, individual losses are capped at the lesser of $200,000 or 200% of the member's annual premium for the year in which the loss occurred. This approach is designed to give proportionally greater amounts to long tenured members that have been most successful in avoiding and controlling losses.

Questions?
Please contact Program Coordinator Sarah Fredericks at sfredericks@lmc.org or (651) 281-1228 with any questions, concerns, or suggestions.

Thank you for being an integral part of our self insured membership cooperative—created by and for Minnesota cities over 45 years ago. Together, we will continue to offer comprehensive coverage and innovative risk management programs tailored to meet your needs.

League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust
Board of Trustees

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Laurie Hokkanen, Chanhassen Manager
Phil Kern, Delano Administrator
Audrey Nelsen, Willmar Council Member
Jorge Prince, Bemidji Mayor
Alison Zelms, Rochester Administrator

RESOLUTION 2026-22
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. Diannaz Dreamz LLC	$100.00	10/03/2026
2. John Juhl	$1500.00	10/03/2026
3. James Vukad	$100.00	10/03/2026
4. Paul Pishler	$100.00	10/14/2026
5. Paul Pishler	$100.00	10/14/2026

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

Donation Number	Terms or Conditions
1. Diannaz Dreamz LLC	Breitung Police Department
2. John Juhl	Breitung Police Department
3. James Vukad	Breitung Police Department
4. Paul Pishler	Breitung Police Department
5. Paul Pishler	Breitung Road & Bridge 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 October 20, 2026. Chairman Matthew Tuchel, Supervisor Erin Peitso, Supervisor Stephen Tekautz

Ayes:
Nays:

Approved: Chairperson

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Matthew Tuchel – Chairman

Attested: Clerk

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Amber Zak - Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-23
BREITUNG TOWNSHIP of ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MN

Resolution Authorizing Breitung Township to Make Application to and Accept Funds From Minnesota Department of Public Safety 2027 Enforcement Grant 0401

WHEREAS, The authorizing authority approves of the chief of police applying for the Minnesota Department of Public Safety 2027 Enforcement Grant 0401

WHEREAS, The authorizing authority agrees to accept funding for enforcement activities if approved by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety

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

Upon vote taken, the following voted:
For:
Against:
Absent:

Whereupon said Resolution NO. 2026-23 was declared duly passed and adopted this 20th day of October, 2026

_____ _____

Matthew Tuchel – Chairman Amber Zak – Clerk

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