
2/23/2021 Brandon Township Meeting Minutes

Call Meeting To Order

A meeting of Brandon Township was held on February 23, 2021 at 7:00pm at the Brandon Township Hall located at 48266 260th Street, Corson, SD 57005.

Roll Call

Thomas Brown, Dean Herll, John Brandsma, Scott Tripp, Elizabeth Aaker

Public Present:

Brandon Fire Department: Robert Dykstra

MedStar Ambulance: Randy Webert

Andy Ekedahl 221 Fairway Circle Brandon, SD 57005

Christian Ode 2001 West River Bend Street Brandon, SD 57005

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from December 15, 2020 meeting. Brandsma set motion to approve, Tripp 2nd motion. Unanimous vote, Motion Carried.

Public Comments For Items On Agenda Only- None

New business

- Brandon Fire Department:
 - Dykstra presented year coverage numbers, department budget & spending for review of the board. Will present numbers to township at annual meeting.
- Medstar Ambulance:
 - Webert presented year coverage numbers and will present same figures at annual meeting. Tripp recommended we should get ambulance on same contract time frame as fire department.
- Christian Ode Approach Request:
 - Two approach requests for 25953 481st Ave and 25961 481st Ave. Board approved with stipulations that they would be a 20 feet minimum width and ends on culverts installed. Brown signed Approach Width Variance Request Form. Ode paid \$150 (\$75 each) for new approaches.
- City of Brandon
 - **Railroad track repair in Corson-** Waiting on City of Brandon to draw up legal paperwork to repair these tracks.
 - **Redwood Blvd/Chestnut Blvd water tower construction:** Construction to start any day. Aaker is point of contact for City of Brandon and contractors. City of Brandon will maintain the gravel portion of Redwood Blvd and Chestnut Blvd this summer during the water tower project. They offered to have city attorney write up a simple agreement that the City of Brandon will be responsible for the maintenance of the roadway during the tower project. Tripp set motion to approve City of Brandon maintaining E Redwood Blvd and Chestnut Ave, Brown 2nd motion. Unanimous vote, Motion Carried.

- **Redwood Blvd/Chestnut Blvd Annexation:** Ekedahl attended meeting to discuss concern and opposition to the City of Brandon annexing area. Board discussed that cost to maintain the two roads are very high. Also board confirmed that the City of Brandon is starting just a study of the area for the process of annexation. Aaker discussed that the city at past meetings confirmed it will grandfather in wells & septic but many other areas (farm animals, horses) have not been discussed. Many questions still to be answered. Aaker will reach out to City of Brandon engineer Tami Jansma to see if she can attend annual meeting field questions.

Unfinished Business-

- **Update on road conditions/culverts:** none
- **Trailer & Tools Needed for shop, grant application:** Brown applied for grant with Prairie Rose Foundation
- **Railroad Crossing 259th Street:** SDDOT Area Engineer Travis Dressen will attend annual meeting to discuss safety concerns of crossing

Financial Update From Treasurer: Herll review year budget. Township in good standing.

Public Comments/Announcements – None

Adjournment

Tripp set motion to adjourn at 8:35pm, Brown second motion. Unanimous vote, Motion Carried.