
4/12/2023 Brandon Township Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called To Order

A meeting of Brandon Township was held on April 12, 2023 at 6:00pm at the Brandon Township Hall located at 25993 482nd Ave, Corson, SD 57005.

Roll Call

Scott Tripp, Thomas Brown, Jason Metzger, Dean Herll, Elizabeth Aaker (via phone)

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

March 28, 2023 Tripp set motion to approve, Brown 2nd motion. Unanimous vote, Motion Carried.

New Business

- **Second Reading of Ordinance 2023-3** for load limits on Redwood Blvd/Chestnut Blvd of 13,000 GVW including an emergency ordinance. Brown set motion to approve, Tripp 2nd motion. Unanimous vote, Motion Carried.
- **Discussion of meeting with Brandon Valley Superintendent and building of new school:**
 - Aaker and Brown met with Jarod Larson, Superintendent & Ty Hentschel, Operations Manager for Brandon Valley School District on April 6, 2023.
 - The district plans to build a new elementary school where the entrance/exit are directly east of Chestnut Trail on a Brandon township road. (Chestnut)
 - They had spoken with Noem's office on possible grants to help with developing the road to the new intersection.
 - Brown is concerned about developing the road because it would cost too much to maintain a paved road for current township budget.
 - School currently has no plan yet on crosswalk signage, bike path, or road infrastructure improvements. Originally Sunshine was supposed to be the main entrance but due to sewer developments now has become Chestnut.
 - Aaker raised concern for elementary school children walking to school, down a hill, with no sidewalks on gravel. Current road area gets an estimated over 500 cars per day per last road study done by LTAP.
 - Aaker took grant paperwork and will do more looking into what potential development costs could be for the township.
- **Discussion of meeting with City of Brandon Bryan Reed**
 - Brown raised concerns about the new school and development onto township roads that already receive too much town traffic. Reed stated that township roads are not his concert. He told Brown that the roads are our business and we can do with them what we want to.
 - Reed stated that the city offered to blacktop Redwood for free at no expense to the landowners and the landowners turned the city of Brandon down. Brown stated he had never hear that before.
- Tripp commented that since we have so many questionable actions happened on the Redwood/Chestnut area that he makes a motion to talk to attorney, Brown 2nd motion. Unanimous vote, Motion Carried.

- **CO2 Pipeline:** Herll attended local Town & Township Association meeting and there was much discussion about the CO2 pipeline. Will discuss more at May meeting on subject.

Old Business

- Will be addressed at scheduled May 10th meeting.

Adjournment

Tripp set motion to adjourn at 6:29pm, Brown second motion. Unanimous vote, Motion Carried.