

TOWN OF BRIDGE CREEK
S9515 State Road 27
Augusta, WI 54722

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting
Thursday, January 16, 2020
7:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order
Chairman Ricky Strauch called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm
2. Roll Call All except Patrick
Present: Supervisors Bruce Logterman, Gordie O'Brien, Brian Bertram; Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson and Treasurer Dawn Werlein.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Public Comment
Eli Gingerich stated that he and other Amish have been working with the State and Eau Claire County ordinances. He shared his concern regarding having a manure pit, the cost for even a small engineering project can be about \$20,000 for a manure pit. Eli also shared that one can actually spread 10,000 gallons on one acre. He's been working with the state on this and asked if the township would work with them and not against them (Amish community) regarding this ordinance.
5. Approval of Agenda and Proper Posting
Brian Bertram made a motion to approve 1-16-20 Agenda and its proper posting. Gordie O'Brien made note it was not on website. Gordie O'Brien seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.
6. Approval of Minutes
 - A. December 19, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes
Gordie O'Brien made a motion, with a second by Brian Bertram to approve the December 19, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes. All "Yes". Motion carried
 - B. January 4, 2020 – Special Meeting
Gordie O'Brien made a motion, with a second by Bruce Logterman to approve the January 4, 2020 Special meeting minutes. All "Yes". Motion carried.
 - C. January 4, 2020 Caucus Minutes
Gordie O'Brien made a motion, with a second by Brian Bertram to to approve the January 4, 2020 Caucus Meeting Minutes. All "Yes". Motion carried.
7. Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 12-31-19
There was an error in expenses for approval. Typo was \$622,21.15 – a number was omitted. Should have been \$622,211.15. Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve/accept 12-31-19 Financial Report as reported by Treasurer Dawn Werlin. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.
8. Old Business
 - A. Comprehensive Planning Commission Discussion (none)
9. New Business
 - A. Cooley's Statewide Scrap & Salvage, LLC Need to Increase Rates from \$350 to \$450 Per Dumpster Due to Landfill Fees. Township will need to increase fees.
 - B. Class B Retailers License Approval

A person/party is interested in purchasing Beaver Bowl. Will need paperwork from both parties before moving forward.

C. Town of Garfield: Sperber Road Snow Plow Agreement

The services are contracted for \$100.00. Board asked Scott Kirchoff to keep track of how often and how long it takes to perform these services, in order to keep a better handle of actual cost for those services. Bruce Logterman made a motion to approve contract between Town of Bridge Creek and Town of Garfield for snow plowing services. Gordie O'Brien seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

D. Employee Salary Discussion

Gordie O'Brien made a motion with a second by Brian Bertram to move into closed session an 8:18 pm.

10. Move to convene into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(C) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. The purpose is to discuss employee yearly review, wage and benefit issues.
11. Move to return to open session for discussion/approval of discussed wage and benefits Gordie O'Brien made a motion to return to open session at 8:44 pm. Bruce Logterman seconded the motion to move into open discussion regarding wage and benefit. All "Yes". Motion carried.
Approval for 2020: Head Road Master will receive an HSA, but no wage increase. Road worker and recycling attendant each receiving a 3% wage.
12. Department Head Discussion/Reports
 - A. Recycling Center
Going well. Discussed increase of Cooley's. Gordie O'Brien shared that he liked Bruce Logterman's idea of charging double bag charge for non-conforming bags. Township has specific green bags for resale at the recycling site. (Agenda next month)
 - B. Road Maintenance
All going well. Fuel bids (Ricky): Countryside Coop road master 4000 gallons
(1) Update on Road Grants
 - C. Board Committee
Little room has been completed at the recycling center.
Ricky Strauch and Bruce Logterman attended meeting in Madison – legislative licensing of Amish buggies in Eau Claire County. Legislature were pretty receptive. Road damage and safety is of concern. Now going to full senate. Brian Bertram suggested to keep notes of road repair for recurring damage (shoulder repair, etc.)
13. Approval of Monthly Expenses
14. Upcoming Meetings:
 - A. February 18 2020 – Comprehensive Planning Commission Mtg. Get in touch Fred Poss as if held on third Tuesday, Gordie would not be able to attend due to City meeting falling on the same evening.
 - B. February 20, 2020 – Regular Board Meeting
15. Adjournment
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to adjourn at 9:27 pm. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion passed.

~ Kathy Olson, Clerk

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MINUTES
Caucus Meeting
Saturday, January 4, 2020
10:00 am

1. Call Meeting to Order
Chairman Ricky Strauch called meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
2. Roll Call
Present: Supervisors Bruce Logterman, Patrick Bethke, Gordie O'Brien, Brian Bertram; Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson. Absent: Treasurer Dawn Werlein.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Selection of Two Tellers to Canvas the Vote for Each Office Nominated
Gordie O'Brien nominated Carol Peuse; Brian Bertram nominated Vicki Larsen; Patrick Bethke nominated Kay Goss. (No second is required for teller nominations)
5. Nominations are Made From the Floor With a Second for Each of the Following:
 - A. **Supervisor #3**
 - Ronald Bohl made a motion to nominate Gordie O'Brien. Christine Yellowthunder seconded the motion.
 - Terry Rouleau made a motion to nominate Jayson Kaeding. Harvey Horel seconded the motion.
 - Chairman Ricky Strauch asked three times "Are there any more nominations?" There were none, therefore Chairman announced "Nominations are closed".
 - B. **Supervisor #4**
 - Christine Yellowthunder made a motion to nominate Brian Bertram. Mary O'Donahue seconded the motion.
 - Steve Weiss made a motion to nominate Ron Goeldner. Terry Rouleau seconded the motion.
 - Chairman Ricky Strauch asked three times "Are there any more nominations?" There were none, therefore Chairman announced "Nominations are closed".
6. Further Discussion/Procedures Moving Forward
(As soon as as the nominated candidates are certified by the chairperson and tellers to the municipal clerk, the clerk is responsible for notifying the candidates, in writing, of their nomination. The clerk must also inform each candidate of the requirements to file a **Campaign Registration Statement** and a **Declaration of Candidate**. These are to be returned to clerk no later than 5:00 pm on the 5th day after receiving written notification that he/she has been nominated for office.)
7. Selecting Order of Candidates on the Ballot
The drawing for the order is to take place upon receipt of both the **Campaign Registration Statement** and **Declaration of Candidate** by all nominated candidates.

Two separate electors were chosen and asked to each pick a name out of a hat for each the two positions. **Supervisor #3:** Gordie O'Brien was chosen for first- place position on the ballot. Second placement on ballot is Jayson Kaeding. **Supervisor #4:** Ron Goeldner was chosen for first place position on the ballot. Second placement on ballot is Brian Bertram.

8. Closing Caucus

9. Adjournment

Gordie O'Brien made a motion at 10:24 a.m. to adjourn caucus meeting. Bruce Logterman seconded the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.

Submitted by Kathy Olson, Clerk

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Thursday, February 20, 2020
7:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairman Ricky Strauch called meeting to 7:30 pm

2. Roll Call

Supervisors Bruce Logterman, Patrick Bethke, Gordie O'Brien, Brian Bertram;
Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson and Treasurer Dawn Werlein.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Comment (none)

5. Jared Grande (Eau Claire County Planning and Development) to Discuss: Changes to Building Permitting/Notification to include Additions and/or Alterations to One-and-Two Family Dwellings.

Resolution that was passed 2005 State of WI Act minimum towns and municipality property owners bldg permit and to be inspected. State requirement provides that whoever buys a home, there are at least certain minimal standards for building inspection.

In a letter dated December 15, 2004 addressed from Tom Kasper, Chief of Plan Review Section of WI Division of Safety & Buildings, it was stated that the Town of Bridge Creek had not arranged for municipal enforcement of the Uniform Dwelling Code (UDC). Therefore since no action was taken from township, then it defaults to the State Dept. of Commerce to step up and oversee this inspection. The State of WI then asked Eau Claire County to step in for inspection purposes. This is required no matter if it was in Madison or in our township.

The Town of Bridge Creek reached out to Eau Claire County back in November 2019 to request their services for building inspections. These services would include any additions and/or alterations of a building. These State Uniform are required rather one lives in Madison, or here in Augusta. Jared's intent is to help our community understand the January 2020 changes. There are several informational meetings coming up: March 19 and March 25. Fred Dahlke and Greg Leonard from Eau Claire County Planning and Development plan to reach out to the Amish Community on March 25 to provide additional information on these changes. Patrick Bethke shared he'd like to see more educational meetings as there will be more questions.

6. Approval of Agenda and Proper Posting

Patrick Bethke made a motion to approve agenda and its proper posting. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion Carried

7. Approval of Minutes

A. January 16, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

Eli Gingerich stated there was an error in 1-16-2020 minutes with statement of cost of manure pits (\$20,00 and should have been \$20,000) Brian Bertram made a motion to approve 1-16-2020 minutes with correction to manure pit expense.

Gordie O'Brien seconded the motion. All "Yes"; motion carried.

8. Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 01-30-2020

Dawn Werlein Presented Financial Report for month ending 1-30-2020. Gordie O'Brien made a motion to accept/approve financial report as presented. Bruce Logterman seconded that motion. All "Yes"; motion carried.

9. Old Business

A. Comprehensive Planning Commission Discussion

Gordie O'Brien commented – Comprehensive Committee

B. Recycling: Fee Increase Discussion/Approval

Cindy Bohl shared everything was going well. There was discussion on recycling expenses and revenues received all in regards to Cooley's raising their prices.

ADD back on next MONTH'S AGENDA

10. New Business

A. Beaver Bowl New Ownership Update

It is up to the owner of Beaver Bowl to get in touch of us as to whether they are selling. It is their responsibility.

B. Used Trailer Discussion/Possible Purchase Approval for Road Department

Our trailer has a few issues. Just 30 ton. Ours has air brakes too. Brian Bertram suggested to fix the issues. Used for back hoe. Suggested to pass on the possibility of purchasing larger trailer. There are other new equipment in need of replacement. Focus on those.

11. Department Head Discussion/Reports

A. Recycling Center

Cindy Bohl was asked to keep track of number of bags received in recycling for next couple of weeks.

B. Road Maintenance

(1) Update on Recycling Pricing

Scott Kirchoff said he could check on pricing from Express Advance out of Thorp. Johnson Disposal was higher than Cooley's.

(2) Update on Road Diesel (Have used Countryside Co-op)

Bruce Logterman asked about pricing from other companies. Ricky Strauch replied that it changes daily. Ricky shared he would make calls and lock in with Board's permission to do so. They are in agreement.

Patrick Bethke asked how dump truck was doing. Scott Kirchoff shared it is in process of being serviced by Brown and Hart. He's really happy with their work.

Scott said the fuel mileage is really bad. Brian Bertram shared it's a good service company that will work on all injectors. Fire Dept using - make appt for truck.

C. Board Committee

-Patrick Bethke shared regarding the Fire Dept. meeting last week there were not enough board members present to make a quorum, so they were unable to hold a meeting.

-Ricky Strauch attended Eau Claire County's Comprehensive Plan meeting - trends remain about the same as they are staying within guidelines, with looking out for Ag lands.

12. Approval of Monthly Expenses

13. Upcoming Meetings:

A. March 19, 2020

14. Adjournment

Gordie O'Brien made a motion to adjourn at 9:02 pm. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "Yes"; motion carried.

Kathy Olson, Clerk

Due to concerns regarding COVID-19, the Public is encouraged to refrain from attending. If you are ill, have a fever or have family members that are ill, we ask that you not attend the meeting for the health and safety of everyone concerned.

~ Thank you!

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7:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairman Ricky Strauch called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm

2. Roll Call

Supervisors Bruce Logterman, Patrick Bethke, Gordie O'Brien, Brian Bertram'
Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson and Treasurer Dawn Werlein

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approval of Agenda and Proper Posting

Brian Bertram made a motion to approve the Agenda and proper posting. Bruce Logterman seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

5. Approval of Minutes

A. February 20, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

Brian Bertram made a motion to approve the February 2, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes. Gordie O'Brien seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

6. Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 02-29-2020

Treasurer Dawn Werlein presented the 2-29-2020 financial report. (Correction: Augusta Bank is Oakwood Bank). Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve treasurer's report. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

7. Old Business

A. Recycling: Price Increase Discussion/Approval

Kurt Redford of Express Disposal out of Thorp -(was started in 2000 by farm boy boy from Gilman – he has 42 employees). Express Disposal would charge for a 30-yard container: pull charge of \$220.00 plus extra-tonnage charge of \$50/ton. A motion was made by Gordie O'Brien, with a second by Patrick Bethke to contract with Express Disposal for our trash needs. May look into other residential services. All "Yes". Motion carried. When containers are full we will let Cooley's know and they will need to get their containers.

8. New Business

A. Permission to Close/Barricade a Portion of Bartig Road for April 25, 2020 Beaver Bolt 5K

Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve closure and barricade portion of Bartig Road for the Beaver Bolt on April 25, 2020 (or another date if it is necessary to be rescheduled). Bruce Logterman seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

B. Town of Bridge Creek Website Discussion

We need to be looking at cleaning up the Town of Bridge Creek Website. There is still old information on that needs to be archived; the ordinances need to be put on; some of the minutes aren't able to be opened. Need to look at options how to improve the Web. We need to look at equipment (ie. printer that can be used for scanning documents as clerk her personal printer to scan documents.)

C. Appoint/Approve Town Constable

Gordie O'Brien shared he and Bruce Logterman interviewed/met with the only application for constable position, Julie Bethke. Constable position would pay \$15.00 per hour plus mileage. Gordie shared with the Board that Julie should have control of her position. If situations arise, Julie would prefer her number not be published, so calls would be directed preferably to chairman and he would pass on the information to Julie. Gordie O'Brien made a motion to hire Julie Bethke as constable. Bruce Logterman seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

9. Department Head Discussion/Reports

A. Recycling Center (already discussed)

B. Road Maintenance Ricky talked to Scott – Sterling has problem with exhaust filter. Not going to last beyond another year.

Patrick Bethke shared that logging trucks have been traveling on township roads after road ban has been put in place. He has gotten quite a few call and Gordie O'Brien shared he has too. There are a few not following the ordinance. And some of the residents are giving the truckers the OK to come in when they should not be doing so with road ban. The only way any truck can get permission (other than stated in ordinance) to haul anything is from the Town of Bridge Creek Board. Ricky Strauch stated that it has been a very busy two weeks with dealing with the road bans.

Patrick Bethke shared that Fire Dept is over budget – pumps on trucks are being rebuilt, new tires, etc.

C. Board Committee

Gordie O'Brien shared that township did not receive grants for road work on Wind Mill Valley nor grant for a vehicle.

John and Dick Price are in need of having a permit issued for trapping beavers. (2020 contract)

10. Approval of Monthly Expenses

11. Upcoming Meetings/Events:

A. April 7, 2020 – Election

B. April 16, 2020 – 7:30 pm - Regular Board Meetings

C. April 21, 2020 – 6:30 pm – Annual Meeting

12. Adjournment

Gordie O'Brien made a motion to adjourn, at 8:53 pm. Patrick Bethke seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

Kathy Olson, Clerk

Due to concerns regarding COVID-19, the Public is encouraged to refrain from attending. If you are ill, have a fever or have family members that are ill, we ask that you not attend the meeting for the health and safety of everyone concerned. Please note: the recommended social distancing will be followed during this meeting (Gov. Evers Emergency Order #12 – Safer at home order).

~ Thank you!

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Regular Monthly Meeting
Thursday, April 16, 2020
7:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order
Chairman Ricky Strauch called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm
2. Roll Call
Present – Supervisors: Bruce Logterman, Patrick Bethke, Gordie O'Brien and Brian Bertram; Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson and Treasurer Dawn Werlein
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda and Proper Posting
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve agenda and its proper posting. Patrick Bethke seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.
5. Approval of Minutes
 - A. March 19, 2020
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve the March 19, 2020 minutes. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.
6. Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 03-31-2020
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve the treasurer's financial report ending 3-31-2020. Bruce Logterman seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.
7. Old Business
(None)
8. New Business
 - A. Road Tour – Set Date
Board suggested Friday, April 24, 2020 if that would work for Scott Kirchoff. If more than two of the board wanted to do road tour, then an agenda will be posted. Will check with Scott Kirchoff to see if that date works. If date doesn't work, they will change date.
9. Approval of Monthly Expenses

10. Upcoming Meetings/Events:

A. April 21, 2020 – 6:30 pm – Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting will be called to order then immediately adjourned to postpone for a later date due to the Corona 19 State Ordered (Gov. Tony Evers) stay-at-home order.

Discussion on this was held regarding annual meeting with the new 2019 Wisconsin Act during the Executive Order 72. The town board now has the option to make this postponement decision without having to call the annual meeting to order – and may postpone up to 60 days after the termination of Exec. Order 72 (Wis. Stat. 323.10). Patrick Bethke made a motion to postpone the annual meeting to June 16, 2020 at 6:30 pm. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All “Yes”. Motion carried.

B. May 21, 2020 – Regular Board Mtg. 7:30 pm

11. Adjournment

Bruce Logterman made a motion to adjourn at 8:06 pm. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All “Yes” Motion carried.

Kathy Olson, Clerk

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MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting

Thursday, May 21, 2020 – 7:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order
Chairman Ricky Strauch called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.
2. Roll Call
Present: Supervisors Bruce Logterman, Patrick Bethke, Gordie O'Brien, Brian Bertram;
Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson and Treasurer Dawn Werlein.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda and Proper Posting
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve agenda and its proper posting. Seconded by Patrick Bethke. All "yes". Motion carried.
5. Approval of April 16, 2020 Minutes
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve the April 16, 2020 minutes. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.
6. Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 04-30-2020
Dawn presented the 4-30-2020 Financial Report. Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve financial report as presented. Patrick Bethke seconded the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.
7. Old Business (None)
8. New Business
 - A. Associated Appraisal Contracts for Revaluation of All Taxable Real Estate in the Town of Bridge Creek – for Assessment Year 2021 Approval
 - 1) Contract for Revaluation Assessment Services
 - 2) Contract for Maintenance Assessment Services
Contract concerns regarding 2021, 2022, 2023 maintenance. Clerk will call to see if Mark Brown would be able to attend next month's meeting. Gordie O'Brien made a motion to table until next month. Bruce Logterman seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.
 - B. Alcohol Retailers License Applications Approval
 - 1) Class A Retailers License - Renewal
 - a) Troy's Gas & Grub LLC
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve Alcohol Retailers License for Troy's Gas & Grub. Seconded by Bruce Logterman. All "Yes". Motion carried.
 - 2) Class B Retailers License - Renewal
 - a) Augusta Sportsmen's Club next month
Table until next month's meeting as paperwork is not complete. Motion by Gordie O'Brien with a second by Brian Bertram to table until next month. Bruce Logterman, Gordie O'Brien and Brian Bertram voted "yes" for approval to table; Patrick Bethke abstained as he is agent of Augusta Sportsmen's.
 - b) Edelweiss International
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve liquor license for Edelweiss; second by Patrick Bethke. All "Yes". Motion carried.
 - c) Mike's Buckhorn Bar
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve liquor license for Mike's Buckhorn Bar. Bruce Logterman seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.
 - 3) Class B Retailers License – New Application

- a) 11th Frame Bar & Grill (Former Beaver Bowl)
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve as soon as a letter from the former owner sent a written release of alcohol license. Patrick Bethke seconded the motion as presented. All "Yes". Motion carried.
- C. Cigarette/Tobacco Retailer License – Renewal Approval
 - 1) Troy's Gas & Grub
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve Cigarette/Tobacco Retailer License for Troy's Gas & Grub. Bruce Logterman seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.
- D. Road Tour Discussion/Approval of Road Repairs
Gordie O'Brien stated he would like to see departmental budgets set up on township computer. Clerk Kathy Olson stated that there is \$179,000 approved by Dept. of Transportation for road repair, and the levy set for the township is \$292,280. All other revenue is minimal. By having departmental budgets, each department will be in charge of their expenses. Scott Kirchoff has the approval to go ahead and bid out what he feels should be done with road repair. Bids to be opened at next month's meeting for approval.
- E. Reorganization of Board
All supervisors will remain with their appointed. Staying put
- F. Procurement Policy (For Federal & State Grants) Approval
The Township needed a Procurement Policy (a policy stating that the township will order and bid supplies that will be efficient and economical for the township). This is needed to be in place for grant purposes. Gordie O'Brien made motion to approve Procurement Policy; it was seconded by Patrick Bethke. All "Yes". Motion carried.
- G. Department Heads Reports
 - 1. Recycling Dept.
It has been very busy (during this quarantine period). Cindy Bohl suggested that new steps are needed for the dumpsters as they are taller than the previous ones. Scott Kirchoff will look into steel ones. There is an interested person in purchasing freon from recycled refrigerators, etc. for \$10 each. Cindy (and clerk) should get new price list for items.
 - 2. Transportation Dept.
The exhaust filter is cracked on the Sterling; that is why it is smoking - \$3000 or a little more for filter exchange. Truck is estimated at about \$28,000. Supervisors approved to go with installing new filter. Regarding discussion of culverts; anything over 30" use steel. Steve Dickinsen, chairman of Town of Garfield, is discussing making one of their roads a class B road. If this happens, then we would have to put signs up on Gerth Road - Scott Kirchoff would need 3 signs and have Garfield buy/pay for them.
 - 3. Constable Dept. (Juli Bethke was absent from meeting)
(Let Juli Bethke know that reports/citations become public knowledge.)
 - 4. Town of Bridge Creek Board Report
Patrick Bethke stated that the Augusta-Bridge Creek Fire Dept meeting did not have enough for a quorum to hold meeting.
- 9. Approval of Monthly Expenses
- 10. Upcoming Meetings/Events:
 - A. June 3, 2020 – Comprehensive Plan Meeting
 - B. June 4, 2020 – Open Book
 - C. June 16, 2020 – Annual Meeting
 - D. June 18, 2020 – Regular Board Meeting
 - E. June 24, 2020 – Board of Review
- 11. Adjournment
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to adjourn at 9:43 pm. Bruce Logterman seconded motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

~Kathy Olson, Clerk

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Thursday, June 18, 2020 – 7:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:30 by Chairman Ricky Strauch

2. Roll Call

Supervisors Bruce Logterman, Patrick Bethke, Gordie O'Brien, Brian Bertram; Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson and Treasurer Dawn Werlein

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approval of Agenda and Proper Posting

Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve the agenda and its proper posting. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

5. Approval of May 21, 2020 Minutes

Gordie O'Brien pointed out one error on May 21, 2020 Minutes. Brian Bertram made a motion to approve May 21, 2020 with correction. Seconded by Gordie O'Brien. All "Yes". Motion carried

6. Old Business

Patrick Bethke shared that he called Mark Zuber, Clerk of Drammen who has taken on the chairperson – Eau Claire Planning & Development regarding broad band and member support expansion of broad band. Patrick explained that it's partnering with telecom co-opts into townships and recommends we become a member of that. Patrick suggested to table to next agenda broad band showing support.

7. Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 5-31-2020

Patrick Bethke made a motion to accept Treasurer's 5-31-2020 Financial Report. Bruce Logterman seconded that motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

8. New Business

A. Associated Appraisal Contracts for Revaluation of All Taxable Real Estate in the Town of Bridge Creek – for Assessment Year 2021 Approval

Gordie O'Brien suggested we table until the next meeting as there are questions about the two contracts for reassessment. Would like to understand and have answers before approving.

B. Alcohol Retailers License Applications Approval

1) Class B Retailers License - Renewal

a) Augusta Sportsmen's Club

Gordie made a motion to approve upon receipt of paperwork. Bruce Logterman seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

C. Operator's License Approvals

1) Augusta Sportsmen's Club

2) Edelweiss International

3) Mike's Buckhorn Bar

4) 11th Frame Bar & Grill

Gordie O'Brien approved operator's license of those applications received by the clerk.

Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

D. 2020 Road Repair Bids Approval

1) Black Top Paving for Kelly Road (.7 miles)

Senn Blacktop bid \$72,494. Brian Bertram made a motion to approve Senn Blacktop for paving Kelly Rd. Patrick Bethke made a second on the motion. Voice vote: Bruce

Logterman “yes”, Patrick Bethke “yes”, Gordie O’Brien “yes”, Brian Bertram “yes”.

Motion carried.

- 2) Seal Coating Bids (Bartig Road .30 miles), Adolf Road (.10 miles), Kelly Road (1.6 miles)

Fahrner Asphalt bid: \$33,250 using a rut wedge micro surface for a bid of \$33,250. John Mason explained it would hold up well to buggy traffic, but cost more (total \$47,560).

Discussion on whether we could afford extra \$15,000 to \$20,000

Scott Construction bid: \$26,511

Gordie O’Brien made a motion to accept Scott Construction’s bid of \$26,511. Patrick Bethke made a second. Roll call: Bruce Logterman “yes”, Patrick Bethke “yes”, Gordie O’Brien “yes” and Brian Bertram “yes”. Motion carried.

E. Set Date for Annual Meeting

A date of July 21st at 6:30 pm was suggested. Brian Bertram made a motion to approve Annual Meeting Date of July 21, 2020 at 6:30 pm. Gordie O’Brien seconded the motion. All “Yes”. Motion carried.

F. Department Heads Reports

1. Recycling Dept.

A document showing money in and out for each month was handed out to each supervisor. They were all in agreement that account seems to be making money. Cindy Bohl reported someone is throwing regular trash into the recycling bin. They have not been able to catch that person. If caught, they will be banned from the recycling site. Maybe cameras turned onto that particular location of recycle bins.

2. Transportation Dept.

Scott Kirchoff reported that after Sterling had work done on it, two days later the truck shut down with problems once again.

3. Constable

The constable report was sent via email.

4. Town of Bridge Creek Board Report

Patrick Bethke reported that there were enough board members to the meeting to hold fire board meeting. Patrick Bethke reported that fire dept. would need to bill for sawmill fires as the sites did not have fire extinguishers available which could have prevented small fires to be extinguished. Discussion to have a public safety officer available to education and encourage to have extinguishers in place. \$1,329 was spent to repair a water pump. Several different pumpers need to be checked to make sure they are up to standard. They will be certified when the company is in the area – several different pumpers – wait until several in area.

Bruce Logterman reported that the Lake Association is looking at increasing their budget for trap cleaning (electric aerating \$200,000 to do lake stuff). Applied for \$150,000 grant through Eau Claire County. A fund raiser is set to begin July 1. He also shared that cover crops are going well with no till farming.

Gordie O’Brien shared that the results of the Comp Plan questionnaire was very disappointing in that there were 125 questionnaires with the same exact answers on them.

9. Approval of Monthly Expenses

10. Upcoming Meetings/Events:

A. June 24, 2020 – Board of Review

B. July 7, 2020 – Comprehensive Planning Commission Mtg.

C. July 16, 2020 – Regular Board Meeting

11. Adjournment

Motion by Gordie O’Brien with a second by Patrick Bethke to adjourn the meeting at 9:16 pm. All “Yes”. Motion carried.

Submitted by Kathy Olson, Clerk

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TOWN OF BRIDGE CREEK
S9515 State Road 27
Augusta, WI 54722

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting
Thursday, July 16, 2020 – 7:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order
Chairman Ricky Strauch called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm
2. Roll Call
Supervisors: Bruce Logterman, Patrick Bethke, Gordie O'Brien, Brian Bertram; Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson and Treasurer Dawn Werlein
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda and Proper Posting
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approval agenda and its proper posting. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.
5. Approval of June 18, 2020 Minutes
Brian Bertram made a motion to approve the June 18, 2020 minutes. A second was made by Bruce Logterman. All "Yes". Motion carried.
6. Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 06-30-2020
Treasurer Dawn Werlein presented the 6-30-2020 Financial Report. Next year will be the last payment for the Mack truck. Patrick Bethke made a motion to approve financial report as presented. Gordie O'Brien made a second to the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.
7. Old Business
 - A. Associated Appraisal Contracts for Revaluation of all Taxable Real Estate in the Town of Bridge Creek is set for Assessment next year (2021) Contract Approval
Discussion of how Amish property can reduce in assessment once they purchase. Other concerns were voiced. Gordie O'Brien made a motion to TABLE the approval of contract. Patrick Bethke made a second to the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.
 - B. Township Website Update/Approval
Both Kathy Olson and Dawn Werlein have reached out to web design JB Design out of Eau Claire. No return calls. Dawn will reach out again. Kathy Olson will search others. Motion by Gordie O'Brien with a second by Patrick Bethke to TABLE. All "Yes". Motion carried.
8. New Business
 - A. Hi-Crush Sand Mining Filing Chapter 11 Update
Ron Rogness was a representative for Hi-Crush. He stated that he may not be able to answer all questions because of filing Chapter 11 (Hi-Crush will reduce debt and improve competitive position). Ron Rogness stated that they have reached about a 94 % agreement to restructure/turn equity into company. Land permits and reclaiming are up to date. Partial reclamation - will be talking to Eau Claire County as there is still some necessary work that needs to be completed. Ben Bublitz (E.C. County Planning & Develop) stated all was up to date. Patrick Bethke asked if the contracts will remain the same with those lands purchased from; and the reply was nothing changes. Gordie O'Brien asked if they've considered using their facilities for other options. Ron stated that all options are on the table as their intent is to stay in business. If other options could be used, they realize they will need approval by Bridge Creek. Patrick Bethke asked that they keep township in loop as much as you can. Gordie O'Brien would like township to be informed first hand as we want to hear it from them before it hits the paper. Patrick stated he had heard (via Eau Claire Energy) 3 weeks ago about Hi-Crush filing for Chapter 11.being.

Ricky Strauch asked Ben if he had anything to add to the discussion. He said not at this point. Ricky thanked him for attending the meeting.

B. Set Date for Annual Meeting

Patrick Bethke stated to make sure notice in paper stated "masks required" along with photo ID. Planning on holding meeting outside using a podium and microphone. Gordie O'Brien brought up that people could vote from cars if necessary. Bruce Logterman stated to screen voters for body temperature using infrared thermometers. Gordie O'Brien suggested a date of August 29, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Patrick Bethke made a motion to set the Annual Meeting for August 29, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Brian Bertram made a second to the motion. All "Yes" Motion carries.

C. Township Hall Cleaning Position/Approval

Motion to open for cleaning service or interested person to clean the hall. Patrick Bethke made a motion for Clerk Kathy Olson to find someone to hire for position. Gordie O'Brien made a second on the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

D. Gutter Bids for Hall with Possible Approval

Scott said he and Dusty could remove old gutters from the building. The Gutterman, LLC Bid \$1790.00 vs. Quality Seamless Gutters with a bid of \$2200.00. They both bid using the same gauge of aluminum. Gordie O'Brien made a motion to accept bid of \$1790.00 from The Gutterman, LLC. Patrick Bethke seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

E. Department Heads Reports

(1) Recycling Dept.

Cindy- very busy. There is a person who has thrown garbage into the recycling multiple times. Board Supervisors suggested a \$25.00 bill sent to them. If it continues, person will be unable to enter recycling center.

(2) Transportation Dept.

Scott Kirchoff shared that there was quite a bit of flooding on Horse Creek Road washing out a gulley. 10 loads of gravel were hauled out there to fill. Road was barricaded. There was a sign stolen from Kelly Road and Channey Road. Will get Sterling Truck back next week, so we will see how it works.

(3) Constable

Juli Bethke said things are going well. Supervisors commented on the nicely written report she does for them.

(4) Town of Bridge Creek Board Report

Gordie O'Brien was absent for the Comprehensive Meeting. Lake District: Bruce Logterman stated nothing to report. Patrick Bethke and Brian attended fire board meeting. They reported numerous break downs on Tender truck with water valves opening and closing. They are taking \$10,000 from money market account to have the pneumatic valves repaired, 1 Tender at a time. The Fire Dept. is down one engine for a while due to having a water pump repacked. There were 11 fire calls and 21 EMS calls last month. In the apparatus room they are looking at new led lights at a cost of \$3400 and 4 new ceiling fans to dry out equipment.

9. Approval of Monthly Expenses

10. Upcoming Meetings/Events:

A. August 4, 2020 – Comprehensive Planning Commission Mtg.

B. August 11, 2020 – Partisan Primary Election

C. August 20, 2020 Regular Board Meeting

11. Adjournment

Gordie O'Brien made a motion to adjourn at 9:47 pm. Bruce Logterman made a second to the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.

Kathy Olson, Clerk

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MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting

Thursday, August 20, 2020 – 7:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ricky Strauch at 7:31 pm

2. Roll Call

Present: Supervisors Bruce Logterman, Patrick Bethke, Gordie O'Brien, Brian Bertram; Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson and Treasurer Dawn Werlein.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Citizen Comments (None)

5. Approval of Agenda and Proper Posting

Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve agenda and proper posting. A second by Patrick Bethke. All "Yes". Motion carried.

6. Approval of July 16, 2020 Minutes

Brian Bertram made a motion, with a second by Bruce Logterman to approve 7-16-20 Minutes with correction

7. Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 07-31-2020

Gordie O'Brien made a motion, with a second by Brian Bertram, to approve Treasurer's Financial Report ending 7-31-2020 as presented by Treasurer Dawn Werlein, All "Yes". Motion carried.

8. Old Business

A. Revaluation of all Taxable Real Estate in the Town of Bridge Creek – Assessment year 2021
Contract Discussion with Possible Approval

Gordie O'Brien stated that he had reached out to Bowmar, which is another appraisal company. They are booked for 2021. Discussion was had regarding whether if it would be beneficial having an interior assessment and the response was "probably not". Ricky Strauch shared that the State sets standards for assessment purposes. After Ricky Strauch and Bruce Logterman shared the discussion at the Board of Review with Al Sunstrum (Associated Appraisal) regarding the reassessment contract questions the Board has had before making a decision to approve. Gordie O'Brien suggested opting exterior reassessment for \$65,000 and whatever their postage; recommending that they bill us for actual postage. With all being on board with this, we will need to have Associated Appraisal send us a new contract amount. Chairman Ricky Strauch asked for a motion. Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve 2021 reassessment contract with the adjustment amount of \$65,000. Bruce Logterman seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Bruce Logterman "Yes", Patrick Bethke "Yes"; Gordie O'Brien "Yes"; Brian Betram "Yes". Motion carried.

B. Township Website Update

Clerk Kathy Olson stated that Laura from Webs by Wagoner had been contacted about a Town of Bridge Creek Municipality Website. Laura has worked with many of the townships in Wisconsin. She did Town of Ludington's web. Kathy is recommending this company. Gordie O'Brien made a motion to hire Webs by Wagoner to create a very user and informational website for our township. Patrick Bethke made a second on that motion. All

"Yes". Motion carried.

- C. Office Equipment Update (Lap Top) Update/Collin Pomplun I.T. to Work with Town of Bridge Creek Technology Discussion/Approval
The Town of Bridge Creek Board gave Kathy Olson permission to move forward with the office equipment update.
 - D. Township Hall Cleaning Position/Approval
Kathy Olson hired Heather Erdman to clean the Town of Bridge Creek for meetings and hall rental.
 - E. Hi-Crush Sand Mining Chapter 11 Update (if any)
Bruce Logterman shared that there is an investigation regarding possible embezzlement of Hi Crush President and a Colleague (neighbor) as it appears they wrote themselves checks amounting to 36 million each.
9. New Business
- A. ATV Route (Channey Road) Discussion/Approval
Gordie O'Brien shared that a resident of Town of Bridge Creek brought forth a concern as resident witness Eau Claire County Sheriff's department issue a citation to a someone trying to get on ATV route from Chaney Road to an authorized ATV trail. It was discussed that there should be a designated regular ATV route from County Roads G to H for all of Channey Road people in order to get onto an ATV trail. Township would have to have signs posted on all roads as ATV trails. Kathy Olson has been asked to check with Clerk of Court's Stephanie Campbell to check on ATV Ordinance that might be on file with Eau Claire County. Put back on Agenda for next month.
 - B. Legal Counsel Discussion/Approval
Patrick Bethke suggested that Town of Bridge Creek hire Weld, Riley S.C. (attorney at law, Eau Claire) for their flexibility and availability; that firm works with other municipalities. He also shared that they have a multiple of attorneys available for specific areas of issues that may come up. The cost would be \$10 per hour more than what we have now. Since we have some different issues such as Hi-Crush filing bankruptcy, there will be an attorney who is an expert in that particular area. Patrick Bethke made a motion to obtain Weld and Riley for our legal counsel for Town of Bridge Creek. He added that we need to do what is best for our Township. They would be able to attend the Annual Meeting on Saturday, August 29, 2020. Gordie O'Brien seconded that motion. All "Yes". Weld, Riley S.C. will get in touch with Rick Schaumberg to obtain Town of Bridge Creek documents. The Board Thanks Rick Schaumberg for his services to the Town of Bridge Creek. Roll call vote: Bruce Logterman "yes"; Patrick Bethke "yes"; Gordie O'Brien "yes"; Brian Bertram "yes". Motion carried.
 - C. Eau Claire County Issuance of Driveway Permits Discussion/Approval
Ricky Strauch stated he constantly receives calls for driveway permits. County has offered to do driveway permits. They then take care of the fire numbers. Ricky Strauch asked Board if they would consider that option. He said then the driveway permit application is online and would be user friendly for people who are out of the area to obtain. Have permit ordinance changed. Resolution. . . contact John Johnson EC Cty Hwy – Gordie makes a motion for EC Cty to have a Resolution NEXT MONTH
 - D. Recycling Attendants Resignation Discussion/Approval
Cindy Bohl shared with the board that in a month or two she and Ron would be resigning due to they were moving up north. They said they do have someone in mind if Board is interested. Board said to put ad in paper with a deadline. Add to next month's agenda.
 - E. Department Heads Reports
 - (1) Recycling Dept. (
Cindy Bohl reported recycling is going well. Bruce Logterman suggested the recycling center be closed during the Annual Meeting on Saturday, Aug 29 – to open after meeting. Bruce Logterman made a motion to open recycling center right after Annual

Meeting and stay open to 3 or 4 pm. Put ad in paper if can. Seconded by Brian Bertram. All "Yes". Motion carried.

(2) Transportation Dept.

Scott Kirchoff reported all is going well except that the Sterling Truck is acting up again. Scott said he'd have truck looked at it again. Hopefully it could be taken care of in a reasonable amount of time.

(3) Constable

Juli Bethke shared things were pretty quiet in Township. She did state that the biggest issue is still with the animals tied in ditches. Road Right-Of-Way Ordinance remains to be a big problem. Bldg. Notifications are going well except for the posting of the approved official Building Notification.

(4) Town of Bridge Creek Board Report

-Gordie O'Brien shared that the Comprehensive Meetings are moving forth.

- Ricky Strauch shared that he attended Land Conservation Meeting and reported that Dept. of Ag has been contacted regarding optional plans for enforcing certain ordinances.

- Brian Bertram shared he plans to talk to Kenny Zich regarding a better maintenance program for Augusta-Bridge Creek Fire Dept. equipment and their maintenance.

10. Approval of Monthly Expenses

11. Upcoming Meetings/Events:

A. August 29, 2020 – 10:00 A.M. – Annual Meeting

B. September 1, 2020 – 6:30 P.M. - Comprehensive Commission Meeting

C. September 17, 2020 – 7:30 P.M. – Regular Monthly Meeting

12. Adjournment

Motion by Gordie O'Brien with a second by Brian Bertram to adjourn at 9:39 pm. All "Yes". Motion carried.

Kathy Olson, Clerk

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~ Thank you! ~

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MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting

Thursday, September 17, 2020 – 7:30

1. Call Meeting to Order
Chairman Ricky Strauch called meeting to order at 7:30 pm
2. Roll Call
Supervisors: Bruce Logterman, Patrick Bethke, Gordie O'Brien, Brian Bertram; Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson and Treasurer Dawn Werlein
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Citizens Comment
Terry Rouleau – wondering if there was any information regarding reducing board members from five to three. Chairman Ricky Strauch answered “No”.
5. Approval of Agenda and Proper Posting
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve agenda and proper posting. Seconded by Brian Bertram. All “Yes”. Motion carried.
6. Approval of August 20, 2020 Minutes
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve August 20, 2020 Minutes with noted corrections. Patrick Bethke seconded that motion. All “Yes”. Motion carried.
7. Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 08-31-2020
Treasurer Dawn Werlein presented the Financial Report ending 8-31-2020. Motion by Gordie O'Brien with a second by Patrick Bethke to approve financial report as presented. All “Yes”. Motion carried.
8. Old Business
 - A. Revaluation of all Taxable Real Estate in the Town of Bridge Creek – Assessment year 2021
New Contract Discussion with Possible Approval \$65,000
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to accept the New Assessment Contract exterior amount of \$65,000. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All “Yes”. Motion carried.
 - B. Township Website Update/Approval
Kathy Olson gave an update that she has been working with Laura from Webs from Wagner to get all the information downloaded and on to the website. Looking at going “live” on October 1.
 - C. Office Equipment Update
 1. Lap Top (Collin Pomplun)
Collin Pomplun has located a laptop and will have it to the Hall shortly. The old lap top will be placed in Scott Kirchoff's office/shop..
 2. MFP – Copier (E.O. Johnson)
The copier has been ordered and will be here in a week or so.
 - D. Hi-Crush Sand Mining Chapter 11 Update/Discussion/Legal Approval
Ron Rogness called to share that the Hi-Crush dry plant (Augusta) will be firing up a test-run with the intent of full production of processing sand until winter sets in. Discussion with Board to send all paperwork received from Hi-Crush to our attorney.

9. New Business

A. Tax Bond Approval

Dawn Werlein shared that the bond to cover taxes will be needing to be set in place again for tax season. October will have info on this.

B. State Approval Plans are Required of Commercial Buildings Discussion/Approval

Chairman Ricky Strauch shared that Eau Claire County will no longer be performing commercial inspections. With the changes in codes from state level, these commercial building have to be inspected by the State. Plans will need to be approved for commercial through the State. This has been in place since the first of the year. Patrick Bethke shared that if anyone has any complaints, they will be handled at the State level. (Complaint forms can be obtained from State – Ricky Strauch shared we could have some on hand.)

C. Eau Claire County Issuance of Driveway Permits Discussion/Approval

Ricky Strauch has suggested that drive way permits be approved by Eau Claire County Planning and Development. It will be an easier process for people to obtain a driveway permit through the Eau Claire County Site. An example of this is a resident from Sheboygan has land in our township with no address other than property tax description. The landowner records are on file at County level. It will be a lot simpler to contact the highway commissioner. Chairman Ricky Strauch will have our attorney write up a Resolution for this to happen.

D. Ordinance/Violations Issuing Citations Discussion/Approval

Ricky Strauch shared that with constable being voted out at Annual Meeting, citations will be put back into the laps of the supervisors. We will go back to the way it was before. Ordinances are still in effect. Any violators will be issued with a citation.

E. Discussion/Approval of Law Enforcement Agency to Issue Citations in Town of Bridge Creek

Ricky Strauch shared that the Town of Fairchild is budgeting to have a signed agreement with Town of Fairchild to have Town of Fairchild Police Dept. issue citations. Mayor Jason TePaske of Augusta has been contacted to see if the City of Augusta would be interested in an agreement with Town of Bridge Creek to issue citations. Bruce Logterman added that these citations would then be run through City of Augusta Municipal Court. Gordie O'Brien shared, as Chief of Police, that he wouldn't be opposed to it. They would have to take into consideration what Township would pay, etc., The City would have to run this by their attorney to work out. Other options would be to reach out to Eau Claire County. Ricky Strauch shared he'd like to hear what other townships are doing. Gordie O'Brien reminded the Board that it's budget time (November) so it's something that should be looked into. Bruce Logterman suggested we come back next month with some information.

F. Department Heads Reports

(1) Recycling Dept.

Cindy Bohl reported the recycling center is doing good. It is busy, but calming down with COVID. Gordie O'Brien asked when Cindy and Ron Bohl would be moving out of the area/resigning. They stated they weren't certain yet of date. Allen Reetz has been interested in stepping into the position. An ad will be placed in the paper for the position and pay will be based upon qualification. Anyone interested would need to send a letter of interest to attention of Kathy Olson, Clerk.

(2) Transportation Dept.

Scott Kirchoff is to check around for price quotes to replace the Sterling truck. Have some quotes for the next meeting.

The Sterling COP module needs to be changed. They finally got the part yesterday. Seal coating is being done.

Gordie O'Brien asking how many ATV-UTV signed would be needed. Need to get these posted on roads. Scott reported that someone took the sign down on Channey Road.

(3) Constable

Juli Bethke – submitted a letter of thanks. The Board shared with Juli that she did a remarkable job and was very professional. Chairman Ricky Strauch shared that there was no reason given for why the constable position was voted out. He also shared that he felt it was quite disrespectful, as township people should not be treated so disrespectfully.

(4) Town of Bridge Creek Board Report

Bruce Logterman – Lake meeting – nothing to report.

Patrick Bethke shared that not a lot to report from Fire Board Meeting. He shared Fire Dept. is looking into a grant to put up a storm siren on south side of Augusta. They are unable to hear any sirens. Ken Zich is going to look into this. Brian Bertram added the department hopes for grant approval and donations so it doesn't cost anything for the fire dept.

Patrick Bethke shared that a couple of citations were written and property owner was billed for fire department services. If those citation payment are not received, they could be added on to their tax bill. Fire Department should get in touch with Bridge Creek for that to be added on to their tax bill.

It was also shared that Sunday, September 20th will the drive-through chicken/pork feed.

There were 20 fire calls and 15 EMS calls in the last month.

10. Approval of Monthly Expenses

11. Adjournment

Gordie O'Brien made a motion to adjourn at 8:52 pm. Patrick Bethke seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

12. Upcoming Meetings/Events:

- A. October 6, 2020 – Comprehensive Planning Meeting
- B. October 15, 2020 – Regular Board Meeting

Kathy Olson, Clerk

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MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting
Thursday, October 15, 2020 – 7:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order
Chairman Ricky Strauch called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm
2. Roll Call
Present – Supervisors: Bruce Logterman, Patrick Bethke, Gordie O'Brien, Brian Bertram; Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson, Treasurer Dawn Werlein.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Citizens Comment
Ron Rogness of Hi-Crush – Update: Running through Thanksgiving with a plan to not close down until April. Regarding the bankruptcy, Hi-Crush now has new owners and a new Board has been created. Management/agreement owners/use of assets - those should be still be valid. Ron will get in touch to confirm. Patrick Bethke suggested to have our attorney look over when transfer over to new ownership to make sure erosion, water, etc. remain in compliance. (County said they are all up to date. All has been maintained.) Bridge Creek will have to touch base with Cedar Corp. Brian Bertram asked if they are in contact with railroads as the train blocked traffic for 45 minutes. Fire Chief Ken Zich shared they had to go around to Cty Rd G (10 miles around). Gordie O'Brien shared his concern and asked what can be done about train blocking? Who do we contact?
5. Approval of 10-15-20 Agenda and Proper Posting
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve 10-15-20 agenda and its proper posting. Patrick Bethke made a second to the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.
6. Approval of September 17, 2020 Minutes
Brian Bertram made motion to approve the September 17, 2020 Minutes with a correction on page 3. Gordie O'Brien seconded the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.
7. Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 9-30-2020
Dawn Werlein presented Financial Report ending 9-30-2020.
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve Financial Report ending 9-30-2020 as presented. Bruce Logterman seconded the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.
8. Old Business
 - A. Discussion/Approval of Law Enforcement Agency to Issue Citations in Town of Bridge Creek
Chairman Ricky Strauch shared he did not hear back from Eau Claire County Sheriff's Dept. Fall Creek offers service to Ludington. Gordie O'Brien shared that City of Augusta is still open to serving Bridge Creek, but concern is what would it cost? We need to look to see what budget looks like. We (Town of Bridge Creek) have a responsibility to everyone in the township that rules are being followed. How much is township willing to spend? Patrick Bethke guessed a ball park figure of \$10,000. Ricky Strauch stated that Fairchild pays \$8,000. The wages, fuel, etc. would be taken into consideration of fee. Patrick Bethke brought up insurance liability. (Check with Rural Insurance.)
 - B. Recycling Attendant Position Letters of Interest Discussion/Approval
Two interested people have applied for the position: Alan Reetz and Janice Solie. Cindy Bohl will continue until their move is final. O'Brien suggested to go ahead and hire a recycling

attendance pending resignation. He added they could potentially hire both as second person could be a substitute. Bruce Logterman, new person wouldn't get paid until hired and start new position. Patrick Bethke made a motion to hire Al Reetz and offer Janice Solie substitute position upon resignation of Cindy (and Ron) Bohl. Gordie O'Brien seconded the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.

9. New Business

- A. Set Budget Hearing Date (Usually right before November Regular Meeting)
Gordie O'Brien made a motion with a second by Patrick Bethke to set November 19, 2020 at 6:45 pm for Budget Hearing. All "yes". Motion carried.
 - B. Rural Insurance 2021 Renewal Information Discussion
Clerk Kathy Olson reported price differences with explanations of those. Board discussed that perhaps next year we send bids out to get some price comparisons.
 - C. Price Quotes – Transportation – Truck Replacement Discussion/Approval
Scott Kirchoff shared that he received one bid of \$75,000 (body) from Monroe Freightliner & Western Star (in Eau Claire). Brian asked if it would be ready by the end of next year. Scott said it takes 9-10 months to get built. Brian asked if there any rebates for municipalities. Scott said that is figured in.
 - D. Discussion Regarding Important Township Topics/How to Relay to Public-Discussion
Ricky residents asking about Annual Meeting and he was thinking about the possibility of sending out a newsletter. Gordie O'Brien responded that it would be expensive. Brian Bertram suggested to have those items put on website or perhaps run copies for people – they could be posted on the bulletin board.
 - E. Amish Cemetery Request on Kelly Road Discussion
Ricky Strauch shared the Amish have reached out to request a potential need of a cemetery on Kelly Road. Gordie O'Brien shared there are regulations and person requesting was not in attendance to answer questions or concern. **TABLE**
 - F. Department Heads Reports
 - (1) Recycling Dept.
Cindy Bohl reported that it has been busy. Scott Kirchoff shared that the guy who picks up the refrigerators, etc. has had carpal tunnel surgery so he hasn't been able to pick these items up.
 - (2) Transportation Dept.
Scott Kirchoff shared they will start making salt sand next week.
 - (3) Town of Bridge Creek Board Report
Gordie O'Brien stated that the Comp Plan Meeting went off well. They're drafting a second survey – it will be out this winter.
Patrick Bethke attended the fire dept. meeting. They are looking at putting up sirens south of town – quote of \$13,000 and looking at potential grants to help with that. Taking into consideration of the range of the siren, they are looking at placing on Brunzil Road or by corner of Livermore Road. The Township would have to take ownership of it. Patrick Bethke shared fire dept. is looking at raising service cost for 2020-21 budget year. Bridge Creek pays 60% while the City pays 40%. We are going to be paying \$2000 more. Fire Chief shared several negligent unpaid bills from property owners for fire services. These charges can be put on property owners taxes.
10. Approval of Monthly Expenses
11. Upcoming Meetings/Events
- A. November 3, 2020 – Election Day
 - B. November 17, 2020 – Comprehensive Planning Meeting
 - C. November 19, 2020 – Regular Monthly Meeting
12. Adjournment

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Minutes

Regular Monthly Meeting

Thursday, November 19, 2020 – 7:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Citizens Comment

Carol Peuse stated she was concerned about manure on the roads. During a Motorcycle rally in August, there were 25-30 cycles that came across country through Town of Bridge Creek. A cyclist on Livermore Road hit some horse manure and lost control of his cycle. A helicopter was called, but then helicopter was cancelled and turned back. The cyclist wasn't seriously hurt -just minor. Carol Peuse wanted to call this situation to the attention of Town of Bridge Creek as she is concerned about manure on the roads with people traveling on roads in our township.

Brian Bertram shared he had received comments about how nicely the 11-03-20 Election was run. He thanked the poll workers and Clerk for a job well done. Clerk Kathy Olson thanked him for the kind remarks and she complimented the hard-working poll workers who are so very thorough stating that we were 100% in balance with the 688 voters and ballot numbers.

5. Approval of 11-19-20 Agenda and Proper Posting

Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approval the agenda and its proper posting. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "yes"; motion carried.

6. Approval of October 15, 2020 Minutes

Gordie O'Brien made a motion with a second by Bruce Logterman to approve the October 15, 2020 Minutes. All "yes"; motion carried.

7. Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 10-31-2020

Dawn Werlein presented the financial report ending 10-31-2020. Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve as presented. Patrick Bethke made a second to the motion. All "yes"; motion carried.

8. A. Law Enforcement Discussion/Approval

Ricky Strauch asked for input on this item asking Gordie O'Brien about where City of Augusta would stand with this. Gordie O'Brien said this is all doable – depending on what Board is looking for. He suggested that hourly rate with pay and fuel would run \$20 - \$25 per hour and would be in favor of a partnership with the township. Bruce Logterman questioned the structure of how it would be set up as the patrolling of the township. There will be times, like when road bans are in place, etc. Gordie O'Brien stated the part-time police would be utilized for so "x" amount of hours during week. Patrick Bethke made a suggestion of an amount doable for township of \$9400/year. Gordie O'Brien shared there are ways to save on monies and make it a workable amount for the township. Suggested to set a special meeting in January 2021 between City and Township with a plan in place so perhaps something could be in place by spring. The Township should give a heads up to our attorney.

- B. Cemetery on Kelly Road Request/Approval

Harvey Borntreger – S9995 Kelly Road, Augusta: County recorded and surveyed lot: outlot needs to be 30 feet off the road. Gordie O'Brien suggested that the Amish Church be named on the deed. It is exempt if it is a church. John Vinopal has been involved in this. It is mapped out. There is a driveway and culvert there. The tax roll would need to have evident that Amish church is the actual organization. According to Towns Association, this would be exempt. With Attorney John Vinopal hired and GIS-DNR shows that wet land is not part of that parcel. There is no action required from Town of Bridge Creek for this.

- C. Truck Replacement Quotes Discussion/Approval

Two body company quotes: 1) Monroe Truck Equipment for \$80,639

2) Universal Truck Equipment Inc \$76,304

Two truck quotes:

1) Mack (Nuss Truck) with trade in \$87,600 (w/Pusher Axel added on)

2) Western Star with trade in \$86,517

Should shop around (and check with company) about best loan available.

Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve Monroe Body Company (\$80,639) and Mack (Nuss Truck) Company \$87,600. Patrick Bethke seconded the motion. Before – shop around for best loan . Finance. Roll call voice vote: Bruce Logterman “yes”; Patrick Bethke “yes”; Gordie O'Brien “yes”; Brian Bertram “yes”. Motion carried.

9. New Business

A. Budget Discussion

None at this time because of the discussion that was had during Budget Hearing.

B. (COVID-Related Grants) CARE Act Grant and Routes to Recovery Grant

Information/Approval for Expenses

C. Cindy and Ron Bohl Resignation Approval

The Board thanks them for their service and wished them well. Brian Bertram made a motion to accept their resignation. Second by Bruce Logterman. All “yes”. Motion carried.

D. Tax Bond Approved Amount of \$750,000 (Treasurer/Clerk)

Gordie/Patrick

E. Unity Bank's Request (Approval) for Minutes to Show Who Has Authority (sign check/make deposits/transfer monies) over the following Bank Accounts:

1) General Account 116 (Checks written from)

2) Money Market Account 596 (Deposits made into)

3) Recycling Account 666 (Checks and Deposits)

4) U-Savings Account 444

5) CD Account 416

Chairman (Ricky Strauch), Clerk (Kathy Olson) and Treasurer (Dawn Werlein) have authority to oversee accounts 116, 596, 666, 444 and 416. A motion was made by Brian Bertram with a second by Patrick Bethke to approve the above authorized board members to oversee those accounts. All “yes”; motion carried.

6) US Business Checking Account 5648 (CDBG Grant account) Clerk Kathy Olson, Supervisors

Gordie O'Brien and/or Brian Bertram have authority over the CDBG Account. Gordie O'Brien and Patrick Bethke made and seconded a motion for those mentioned to have authority over the CDBG Account. All “yes”; motion carried.

F. Appoint/Approve a Person to be in Charge of the Building Notifications Requested and Follow-Through with Those Applications

The Board discussed having an assistant help with some of the overload issues of Clerk. They approved up to four hours a week for Juli Bethke to assist.

G. Department Heads Reports

(1) Recycling Dept.

Allen Reetz –all going well with no problems. Scott Kirchoff asked if the loader was parked by dumpster if Al could pack dumpster down in order to make room for additional trash.

(2) Transportation Dept.

Lake Assoc. when dredging out if township roadworkers could haul sand. Scott Kirchoff said that he and Dusty Bergman would be willing to do so - when frozen.

(3) Town of Bridge Creek Board Report

-Fire Dept. – Patrick Bethke shared there was not too much new. Fire Dept. was looking at new office chairs. They also reported number of fire calls and EMT calls.

-Bruce Logterman talked to John Johnson regarding culverts placement and size. Their recommendation is 30-50 feet depending on if drive way use (Ag use, etc.) Townships should not get involved with culvert permits. He would recommend the County oversee driveway permits. A resolution would need to be drawn up (Attorney to oversee that resolution). The county would have accurate records for those.

- Gordie O'Brien had a letter drawn up on behalf of Town of Bridge Creek in support of Astrea for a grant they are applying for to provide efforts to improve broadband access (Astrea is applying for a grant): applying for fiber optic around Lake District (no cost to us).

10. Approval of Monthly Expenses

11. Upcoming Meetings/Events:

A. November 24, 2020 – Comprehensive Planning Meeting (Virtual)

B. December 17, 2020 – Regular Monthly Meeting

12. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 10:03 Gordie/Brian

~ Kathy Olson, Clerk

TOWN OF BRIDGE CREEK

S9515 State Road

Augusta, WI 54722

PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 6:45 PM

Town of Bridge Creek Hall

(The Regular Monthly Meeting will follow)

MINUTES

(DRAFT MINUTES until approval at December meeting)

1. Call Hearing to Order

Chairman Ricky Strauch called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm

2. Roll Call

Present - Supervisors Bruce Logterman, Gordie O'Brien, Brian Bertram; Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson.

Supervisor Patrick Bethke and Treasurer Dawn Werlein arrived several minutes later.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Present Budget and Proposed Levy

Clerk Kathy Olson presented shortened version of the budget (long version was available for discussion)

Discussion and suggestions to change budget figures to be aligned is as follows because of the \$65,944 budget shortfall -

2021 BUDGET EXPENSE ADJUSTMENT:

- Reduce 51322 CDBG Grant Expense Budget - \$ 4,000
- Reduce 57331 HWY and Street Outlay - \$25,000
- Reduce Road Patrol Wage by 2% of 5% proposed - \$ 820
(With wage increase salary will be \$60,180)
- Reduce Road Worker Wage by 2% of 5%+ proposed - \$ 1,040
- Add to 5311 Fuel + \$ 500
- Remove budget amount of \$27,700 from operating
Budget for truck payment. Take that amount of the
Equipment CD - \$27,700

TOTAL Budget expense adjustment (added back in) -58,070

- Increase estimated recycling revenue + \$ 3,000

TOTAL Budget revenue adjustment (additional) \$ 3,000

Chairman Ricky Strauch called for a motion to approve proposed budget with suggested budget adjustment. Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve budget with suggested budget adjustments; seconded motion by

Patrick Bethke. Voice vote: Bruce Logterman “yes”, Patrick Bethke “yes”, Gordie O’Brien “yes” and Brian Bertram “yes”. Motion carried.

5. Motion to Adopt 2020 Town Tax Levy Payable in 2021 in the Amount of \$302,502.00 (Pursuant to Section 60.10(1)(a) of the WI Statutes)
Gordie O’Brien made a motion to adopt 2020 Town Tax Levy amount of \$302,502.00. Patrick Bethke made a second to that motion. Voice vote: Bruce Logterman “yes”, Patrick Bethke “yes”, Gordie O’Brien “yes” and Brian Bertram “yes”. Motion carried.

6. Adjourn
Gordie O’Brien made a motion to adjourn the Budget Hearing at 7:50 pm. Patrick Bethke seconded the motion. All “yes”. Motion carried.

~ Kathy Olson, Clerk

Due to concerns regarding the COVID-19, the Public is encouraged to refrain from attending. If you are ill, have a fever or have family members that are ill, we ask that you not attend the meeting for the health and safety of everyone concerned.

~ Thank you! ~

TOWN OF BRIDGE CREEK
S9515 State Road 27
Augusta, WI 54722

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting
Thursday, December 17, 2020 – 7:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order
Chairman Ricky Strauch called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.
2. Roll Call
Present-Supervisors: Bruce Logterman, Patrick Bethke, Gordie O'Brien, Brian Bertram; Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson and Treasurer Dawn Werlein
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Citizens Comment
Ammon Wagler: Building Notifications – questioned why he hadn't received a building notification for an application. Bldg application – there was a concern about shoreline and commercial code requirements
5. Approval of 12-17-20 Agenda and Proper Posting
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve 12-17-2020 agenda and its proper posting. Brian Bertram made a second on the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.
6. Approval of November 19, 2020 Minutes
-Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve the November 19, 2020 minutes. Patrick Bethke seconded the motion. All "yes", motion carried.
-Budget Hearing Minutes
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve Budget Haring Minutes with correction the word "outland" should have read "outlay". Patrick Bethke seconded that motion. All "yes". Motion carried.
7. Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 11-30-2020
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve Treasurer's Financial Report as presented. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.
8. Old Business
A. None
9. New Business
A. Permit for Land Access Driveway from County Trunk Highways (Resolution for Eau Claire County Issuance) Discussion/Approval
Gordie O'Brien added their "*Resolution*", also, for the approval for Eau Claire County Issuance services. There is a permit fee/cost to do this, but it would be much more convenient for residents to contact the Eau Claire Cty highway dept. Patrick Bethke shared to use Eau Claire County's wording of the Resolution for familiarity for us to adopt. We could then update to make Resolution ours. The need is for safety purposes. If the Resolution is not followed, a fine (a stiff fine, a couple of hundred dollars or more) to encourage them to properly put driveway in. Bruce Logterman made a motion to adopt Eau Claire County's Resolution for driveway replacement. Patrick Bethke seconded the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.
B. Conversion of Elected Office of Clerk & Treasurer Positions from Voted-in-Position to Board Appointed Office Position Ordinance Discussion/Approval
Gordie O'Brien shared that we move from "voted/elected" to "appointed" positions of Clerk and Treasurer. Bruce Logterman, with a second by Brian Bertram, to move forward with this change and instruct Township Attorney to draw up an ordinance to convert this from vote/elect to appoint. We should then look to January meeting for approval of ordinance, then it will need to be put on the ballot as a referendum for voting on.
C. Set and Approve Caucus Date
Chairman Ricky Strauch asked supervisors for recommendation for setting January Caucus. Brian Bertram made a motion to hold the Caucus on Saturday, January 9, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Gordie O'Brien made a second to the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.

D. Department Heads Reports

(1) Recycling Dept.

Allen Reetz reported that all was going well. There has been a lot of recycling material - more cardboard lately. (Probably more people ordering items through mail.)

(2) Transportation Dept.

(Scott Kirchoff was absent for Board Meeting)

(3) Town of Bridge Creek Board Report

Patrick Bethke reported the fire Dept. received a grant: \$1693.00 for fireman apparatus, etc. 13 fire calls- EMS . There has been several equipment break downs. Overspent budget.

E. Employee Wage/Benefit Discussion

Brian Bertram made a motion to move into closed session at 8:11 pm. Bruce Logterman seconded motion. All "yes". Motion carried.

10. Move to convene into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(C) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction of exercises responsibility. The purpose is to discuss employee wage and benefit issues. Gordie O'Brien made a motion to reconvene into open session. Bruce Logterman seconded the motion. All "yes". Motion passed.
11. Move to return to open session for discussion/approval of discussed wage and benefits
Discussion produced that Scott Kirchoff will receive increase of \$1.00 per hour and Dusty Bergman will receive \$.60 per hour. Patrick Bethke made a motion to accept wage increases; second by Bruce Logterman. All "yes". Motion carried.
12. Approval of Monthly Expenses
13. Upcoming Meetings/Events:
 - A. January 19, 2021 Comprehensive Plan Commission Meeting at 6:30 pm
 - B. January 21, 2021 – 7:30 pm – Regular Board Meeting
12. Adjournment
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to adjourn meeting at 9:28 pm. Seconded by Bruce Logterman. All "yes". Motion carried.

~ Kathy Olson, Clerk