

TOWN OF BRIDGE CREEK  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2015 – 7:30 P.M.  
TOWN HALL

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeff Gerike at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Board members present: Chairman, Jeff Gerike; Supervisors: Dean Solie, Lynn Norheim & Bruce Logterman; Treasurer, Tamy Moss & Clerk, Patti Warner

Absent: Steve Weiss (absent)  
Bruce Logterman arrived at 7:48 pm

Also Present: Fred Poss, Christine Yellowthunder, Vic Werlein and Dale Kirchoff

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment:

Christine Yellowthunder stated there are a lot of rumors floating around about what is going on with Hi-Crush and she wondered why they didn't let the board know about anything. Chairman Jeff Gerike stated we did receive a letter notifying the town board what is going on in regards to the layoff. The clerk read the letter from Hi-Crush. Christine stated she would like to hear an update at the next meeting on what they are doing and/or planning on doing there with the sand. She would like to see it as an agenda item at the next meeting.

*Hi-Crush sent the Chairman a letter regarding the lay off of 27 hourly employees – due to unforeseen circumstances the Augusta Plant will not be operating – they will be terminated - November 9<sup>th</sup> – and they don't know how long the layoff will be.*

Motion to approve agenda was made by: Supervisor Dean Solie Seconded by Lynn Norheim.  
Motion carried: Supervisor: Dean Solie (aye) Lynn Norheim (aye) Chairman Jeff Gerike (aye)

The minutes were read and approved on a motion by Supervisor Dean Solie. Seconded by Lynn Norheim. Motion carried: Supervisor: Dean Solie (aye) Lynn Norheim (aye) Chairman Jeff Gerike (aye)

The financial report was presented. Motion by Supervisor Lynn Norheim. Seconded by Supervisor Dean Solie. Motion carried: Supervisor: Dean Solie (aye) Lynn Norheim (aye) Chairman Jeff Gerike (aye)

Old Business:

Lynn Norheim asked if there was any interest on the tractor. Dale stated no. Discussion was held and we will try and sell it again in the spring.

Lynn asked if anyone used the new lawn mower yet. Dale said Pete did and it did a really good job.

Dean Solie stated he seen Kelly Jacobs and she wondered if we were working on the agreement – he stated he wondered why Ludington didn't sign up – Kelly would like all townships to let her know by Jan 1<sup>st</sup> if they are going to sign the agreement

Discussion was held and we are going to ask Randy Horlacher to come to our next meeting from Town of Ludington.

New Business: (Bruce Logterman arrived 7:48)

Fred Poss spoke to the board regarding work on the lake. He feels what he brought to the lake association - the decisions on lake management resources should be left to science. It is becoming the most beautiful lake it possibly can be. He feels it is good for our township. They have had 30K hits on their website - Lake Eau Claire.org. Since he came a year ago and asked for a donation. Their management has improved fish, and the sediment situation, the blue/green algae problem the lake had is now cleared up. They have a 56 page scientific report. 183 scientifically designed fish cribs in Eau Claire Lake now. He builds them in July & Sept. They put them in shallow water because fish don't spawn in deep water. They GPS each crib and send reports to the County & DNR. DNR put 50 tree falls in. The bio mass – Lake Eau Claire has 300% more fish than it had 4 yrs ago.

The county & DNR will let them go in treble waters and gravel pit in January and dredge. Aeration system they have 15 systems and they have signs asking people not to drop anchor there and no one has so far. 5 airlines in each raceway – that go to aerator. They have been strategically placed. Lines are producing a turnover of 26 gallons per second. 20 million gallons of water turned over every day in Lake Eau Claire. They test the oxygen and life every week. They will turn aerators off in about a week. Deep end of lake is fully oxygenated in every corner. Fred offered if the board would like a tour to see the aeration to let him know and he would give them a tour. Chairman Jeff Gerike asked what the life expectancy is – Fred said could last 100 yrs....as long as no one drops an anchor on it. Pipelines 20-25 years maybe longer. Compressor – warranty depending on what part is 5-8 yrs. Kaiser compressors are built in Germany well made they are hoping to double that. They have 3 retired engineers that run tests – have maintenance agreement with Kaiser and he checks each month. Can things be replaced with solar – probably not – due to location of lot would have to have 3 phase power.

Motion by Supervisor Lynn Norheim seconded by Dean Solie to go into closed session 8:11. Regular meeting resumed at 8:44 p.m.

Clerk stated that the recycling fee for 2015 tax bills will be \$12.00 – needs to go on November agenda to be approved.

Motion made by Supervisor Bruce Logterman to adjourn. Seconded by Lynn Norheim. Motion carried meeting adjourned 9:45 p.m.

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Patti Warner, Clerk