

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

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting
Thursday, September 15, 2016
7:30 PM – Town Hall

- I. Call Meeting to Order
Meeting called to order by Chairman Jeff Gerike at 7:30 P.M.
- II. Roll Call
Present: Supervisors: Bruce Logterman, Lynn Norheim, Dean Solie, Chairman Jeff Gerike, Kathy Olson-Clerk and Dawn Werlein-Treasurer. Absent: Supervisor Steve Weiss (arrived at 7:56 p.m.)
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Approval of Agenda & Proper Posting
Motion by Lynn Norheim with a second by Dean Solie to approve Agenda and Proper Posting.
Ayes: 4. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
- V. Public Comment (none)
- VI. Approval of Minutes
A. 8-18-16 Regular Meeting Minutes
Correction: Nortech is closing not Mail Source, as misstated (Clerk error). A motion by Dean Solie with a second by Lynn Norheim to approve the 8-18-16 Minutes with the noted correction. Ayes: 4; Nays: 0. Motion carried.
- VII. Financial Report
Dawn read the Financial Report. A motion by Lynn Norheim with a second by Bruce Logterman to approve the Financial Report. Ayes: 4. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
- VIII. Old Business
 - A. Hi-Crush – New Application Received
Next step is to get the application/mining detailed documents/recommendation (provided by Richard Reeseman of Hi-Crush) delivered/emailed to Engineer - Scott McCurdy
 - B. Abandonment/Revocation of 5-Star Mining License
No phone call or email. Jeff said he was in touch with Troy and he was going to be here – he did not show up for this meeting. Question by Bruce Logterman “Should Bridge Creek call County?” Discussion on this situation needs to be process through proper channels of having someone on 5-Star’s behalf attend meeting to discuss. Then it can go on to Eau Claire County’s hands. 5-Star Mining is not being respectful nor cooperative. Dean Solie questioned/noted there was equipment at 5-Star, but wondered if it is for active/working sand mine or appearance.
 - C. Building Inspector
Lynn Norheim had hand-outs regarding Steve Malley’s interest in becoming a Building Instructor for Town of Bridge Creek. His fees are comparable to Ludington’s. Steve Malley stated that he was not interested in the enforcement of it. Discussion regarding Sawmill: Where do we go from this point forward. It should be up to State to regulate the saw mill. Township should not be responsible for it. Dean: Enforcement is important – his feeling is that Bridge Creek should not have to enforce. Dean Solie stated that he is not in favor of Bridge

Creek hiring a Building Inspector. He shared he felt that the State and County have ordinances, etc. Dean shared that he doesn't like the way they (Eau Claire County) force their hand. We are taking on their responsibility. He also shared that in our Town of Bridge Creek – the people in this township are all friends and neighbors. Dean shared that he will vote NO. Not in favor of township taking over county's job. Jeff Gerike shared that it would be a headache. Lynn Norheim agrees. Dean reiterated that he doesn't agree with how the County handles some of this, but feels our township will be under their scrutiny. Bruce Logterman shared that they have been paid a lot of money for no common sense. Dean Solie shared that if we don't do things right, we are asking for grief/scrutiny. Lynn Norheim said that Kathy Vernier is looking at implementing a statewide-ordinance and that will supersede anything our Townships have in place. No action taken. (Steve Weiss arrived at 7:56 p.m.)

D. Windmill Valley Road

Dale Kirchoff said Aaron Witmer said to do what we have to do – people are worried about snow plowing. Dale shared that we've plowed it before. Bruce: Fee should be assessed for this to be done otherwise all 'long" driveways will want to be opened. Bridge Creek would have to approve before County would approve. Dale said there were no soft spots this spring. There was never any agreement for it to be black topped. Dean shared we could take the road over if it is up to standards. Cost of State reimburse – enough to cover maintenance. Lynn makes a motion to take it over. Dean makes a second. Ayes: 4 (Lynn Norheim, Dean Solie, Steve Weiss, Jeff Gerike). Nays: 1 (Bruce Logterman). Motion passes. (Paperwork needs to be in before December so it could be approved for 2017.)

E. Health Insurance for Employees

Steve Weiss shared that the Town Assoc. – does not carry/offer a health insurance. Rural Insurance: he is going to check with them. No other groups gotten back to Steve. Hope to have for next meeting. Rates: Security most economical. Counties no providers – pushing out to southern part of State. Carol Peuse asked to speak. She suggested to set a cap of money providing for the families. Intent then is to set money amount.

F. Kruger Road Culvert Update

The culvert is in. DNR was there. Kris took pictures and left. No measurements, etc. (per Dale Kirchoff). Timeline: 3 days. Lynn Norheim commended Dale on job. The snow fence is also up.

Kathy Bernier is looking at State-wide for horse shoe. Dean Solie and Lynn Norheim met with her a week ago Wednesday. Proposed County ordinance but is nothing Amish would be able to abide by.

Dean Solie and Lynn Norheim talked to Dale Kirchoff about a trailer to haul equipment. The trailer is in Rice Lake. If it's one he doesn't like, they don't have to take/buy it. Main purpose for use: with culverts, a bob cat is needed. The trailer would be able to be pulled with the pickup. Not heavy enough, however, for the back hoe to be transported.

It was asked how the new truck is running. Dale replied "good".

IX. New Business (none)

X. Other Discussion

Chairman Jeff Gerike stated that meeting in October **may** have to be moved to the second Thursday, October 13th instead of third Thursday, October 20th due to a personal conflict.

XI. Approval of Expenses/Payments

XII. Adjournment

A motion by Steve Weiss with a second by Dean Solie to adjourn at 9:47 p.m. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Submitted by Kathy Olson, Clerk