

TOWN OF BRIDGE CREEK

S9515 State Road 27

Augusta, WI 54722

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting

Thursday November 21, 2024 @ 7:00 pm

1. Call Meeting to Order @ 7:00 PM Ricky Strauch.
2. Roll Call: William Jacobs, Duane Ives, Ricky Strauch, Elizabeth Pettis, Juli Bethke, Bruce Logterman, and Patrick Bethke.
 - a. Scott Kickoff, Al Reetz, and John Staber are present as well.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Citizen Comments: Jim Franks- Comments on a shared driveway for new property. Survey the property and he plans to purchase the 20 acres of William Gabler next to the new property. Bruce Logterman filed the paperwork and the clerk emailed Fred and Heidi- Giving the okay for the shared driveway.
5. Approval of the **November 21 , 2024** Agenda and Proper Posting
 - a. Duane Ives made the motion for the November 21, 2024 Agenda and Proper posting and Patrick Bethke with the second. All Yes. Motion Carried.
6. Approval of the Following Minutes: [October 28, 2024](#) (Special Meeting), [October 29, 2024](#) (Budget) and [October 17, 2024](#) (Regular)
 - a. Patrick Bethke made the motion to approve minutes for October 28, 2024. Will Jacobs with the second. All yes. Motion Carried.
 - b. Duane Ives with the motion to approve the minutes for October 29, 2024. William Jacobs with the second. All Yes. Motion Carried.
 - c. Patrick Bethke made the motion to approve the minutes for October 17, 2024 and Duane Ives with the second. All Yes. Motion Carried.
7. Approval of Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 11/21/2024 Balances
 - a. Juli Bethke presents the Treasurer's Report to the board.
 - b. Patrick Bethke made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Financial Report as presented to the board. Bruce Logterman with the second. All yes. Motion Carried.
8. Previous Discussed Business (Discussion, Action, Approval)
 - a. None
9. New Business (Discussion, Action, Approval)
 - a. Green Burying- Town Regulations of placing unalive people on parcels Discussion, Action and Approval: <https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/statutes/statutes/157>
 - i. Patrick Bethke stated the history of cemeteries and how that works. Patrick Bethke wants to dig some more. We have cemeteries already but we don't have ordinance. Anderson Funeral Home said it would be good to have something in place. Clerk stated Minnesota allows green burying in a few different methods. Clerk stated it would be nice to have records of body locations; I don't think you need a cemetery for a green burial. Ricky Strauch will check in with different funeral homes and see what he can find out.
 - ii. **TABLED**
 - b. Speed Limits for Utv and Atv on town roads. Discussion, Action, Approval
 - i. John Staber stated county roads have a speed limit at 35 mph.
 - ii. Duane Ives makes the motion to amend Section VII: Part B. to say, "The speed limit for ATV/UTVs of 35 mph (unless the posted speed limit of the roadway is less, then the ATV/UTVs must obey that speed limit)." Patrick Bethke with second. All yes. Motion Carried.

- iii. Next discussion point was penalties. Duane Ives made the motion to amend the ordinance #: 1-2014 Section X penalties will align with the City of Augusta Bond Schedule. William Jacobs with the second. All yes. Motion Carried.
 - c. Building Notification not displaying fines/fee Discussion, Action, Approval.
 - i. John Staber stated that we need a fine for not displaying the building notification poster. Start at 25 dollars and can always raise it up as needed. Discussion on enforcement and what steps are taken at the county level. The County needs to communicate with the Town.
 - ii. Patrick Bethke makes the motion to amend the Ordinance 17.006 Edited: Section 2: Penalties: A 25 dollar penalty will be applied for improper posting of the Building Notification poster. Bruce Logterman with the second. All yes. Motion Carried.
 - iii. Discussion on the Signs in the Town that say "Building Permits". Looking at replacing the to say "notification."
 - d. Ordinance Enforcement Discussion, Action, Approval
 - i. How to enforce our Ordinance in partner with the Police Department
 - ii. Asking John Staber about the Road Damage Ordinance and how we can help with the enforcement.
 - iii. John Staber stated we can ask the owner to lift the horse foot.
 - iv. We need the County to enforce this as well. A possible manure ordinance for Town Roads
10. Department Heads Reports Discussion Only
- a. Recycling Dept.
 - i. Lights on the building- dusk to dawn one.
 - ii. Parking Lot lights as well for safety.
 - b. Transportation Dept.
 - i. 10 year Equipment Plan- Good Road Map for the Budget.
 - ii. Purchased the Spray patch machine and the Crew tested it.. Works well. Emashtion equipment. New Grater is 400,000 dollars. Backhoe is 15 years old- needs a new cylinder. John Deere will take the old one as a down payment and in five years of lease payments with the end results will be one dollar payment. We would end with ownership. Next month Scott will have more information.
 - iii. Training for Road Materials in Madison in February. \$900.00 per a person grants would drop it down to 300. Another one for road rating in the summer.
 - c. Monthly Police Report
 - i. Emailed out to the board.
 - d. Fire Report
 - i. Not a lot was covered. Quarter payments will be invoiced, Brush truck will be one payment to the fire department because it is a separate account.
 - ii. Asked the fire department for budget items for replacement equipment.
 - iii. Joint Meeting again and equalised value amounts.
 - e. Clerk Report
 - i. Posting the Clerk Job. Patrick Bethke was to wait and set up a description.
11. Upcoming Meetings/Events:
- a. Monthly Meeting
 - i. December 19, January 16
12. Comprehensive Plan Meetings on December 2, 2024 @ 6:30 Pm
13. Adjournment @ 8:57 pm

Duane Ives makes the motion for adjournment and Bruce Logterman with the second. All yes. Motion Carried.

~ Elizabeth Pettis, Clerk