

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

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting  
Thursday, December 19, 2019  
7:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order  
Chairman Ricky Strauch called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm
2. Roll Call  
Present: Supervisors Bruce Logterman, Gordie O'Brien, Brian Bertram; Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson, Treasurer Dawn Werlein. Absent: Supervisor: Patrick Bethke
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Public Comment  
None
5. Approval of Agenda and Proper Posting  
Brian Bertram made a motion to approve agenda and proper posting. Gordie O'Brien seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.
6. Approval of Minutes
  - A. November 21, 2019  
Gordie O'Brien stated two corrections under 8A Old Business: the word "was" should have been "we" and misspelling of "McKave" should have been "McKabe". Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve November 21, 2019 Minutes with corrections. Bruce Logterman seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.
7. Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 11-30-19  
Treasurer Dawn Werlein presented the financial report ending 11-30-19. Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve presented the 11-30-19 financial report as presented. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.
8. Old Business
  - A. Comprehensive Planning Commission Discussion or Concerns  
Commission is looking at sending out a survey to citizens of Town of Bridge Creek regarding issues of concern. It has been discussed and planned for Fred Poss, Kelly Jacobs, Kathy Olson and invited public to discuss items to be on this survey – meeting to be held Thursday, January 2, 2020 at 9:00 am. The survey then will be brought to the 1-14-2020 Meeting for finalization. It was also discussed how to obtain labels of addresses for people in Township of Bridge Creek (perhaps contact Eau Claire County). Treasurer Dawn Werlein has address labels that she uses for sending out taxes. Looking at having survey sent out January 21, 2020.
9. New Business
  - A. State of Wisconsin/Dept. Of Revenue has issued Town of Bridge Creek a First Notice of Non-Compliance of Class of Undeveloped, Ag Forest, Forest and Other *[State law (sec. 70.05(5)(b) Wis. Stats) requires a taxation district to assess*

*property at full value at least once in every 5-year period. To meet this requirement, the total assessed value of each major class must be between 90% and 110% full value. A "major class" of property is defined as a property class that includes more than 10% of a full value of taxation district.]*

Discussion about this issue. It is suggested to call Associate Appraisal to get Town of Bridge Creek on their schedule for township reassessment.

B. Grants Being Pursued by Township

Scott Kirchoff has been on top of looking into this grant to see eligibility items. He stated that a new truck is not eligible for this grant. But if township could be approved for the grant, the Windmill Valley repair cost of around \$70,000 could be eligible (saving township of that money). Also noted was that Town of Clear Creek has opt out of another available grant of \$32,000; Bridge Creek would be next in line for this grant and grant is specific for re-pavement purposes. Board

acknowledged Scott's diligence in "homework" time spent on these grants. A big thank you for that.

C. Constable Resignation

A resignation letter was brought forward on Scott Gerike's behalf which stated he was resigning as constable which would be effective as of December 31. Chairman Ricky Strauch suggested it be a good idea to have a job description for the position as we move forward with placing an ad in the paper for posting this position. Gordie O'Brien asked if Chairman might be interim for this position if need for citations to be issued. Ricky Strauch agreed to do so until new hire. It was brought up to check with Town of Washington if they have constable job description in their handbook. Gordie O'Brien made a motion to accept Scott Gerike's resignation. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

D. Set Caucus Date

January 4, 2020 at 10:00 am It would be held here at Town Hall.

10. Department Head Discussion/Reports

A. Recycling Center

Cindy Bohl reported that everything is going very well. She added that she can't wait to have heated area/remodel done.

B. Road Maintenance

Scott Kirchoff shared that a window was broken on the loader while removing trees. He was asked how many hours are on that machine. He replied 215 hours. There had been a recall on specific bolts - which have new bolts replaced. Scott also asked when their job review for road workers would take place. Bruce Logterman and Brian Bertram will meet with road workers half hour before regular January meeting (7:00 pm to meet with road worker)

C. Constable

No report

D. Board Committee

Brian - fire dept. - snow and ice - wires down. Email - ND - dredging slippery spot on G Land Quality - stream - Dan working with Erdmans fence of pasture along creek. Try to lower phosphorous levels - nitrates too high. State lowering level. Treatment - shore up hoping County and City of Augusta (10 yrs.) Land Conservation mtg. - EC Cty had several unpermitted manure storage structures -

brought attention in April and May – facilities. Greg Leonard – not been invited – ongoing issue – no one forthcoming. Manure Structure – revised 1 ½ yrs ago. 1989 original ordinance–almost 30 yrs. Permits are needed/bringing to attention.

11. Approval of Monthly Expenses

12. Upcoming Meetings:

A. January 16, 2020 Regular Board Meeting

B. January 14, 2020 6:30 Public Comprehensive Plan Commission Mtg.

January 4, 2020 - Caucus

13. Adjournment

Gordie O'Brien made a motion to adjourn at 8:41 pm. Brian Bertram seconded the motion. All "Yes". Motion carried.

Kathy Olson, Clerk