

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, January 21, 2021 – 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
(None)
5. Approval of 1-21-2021 Agenda and Proper Posting
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve agenda and proper posting; second by Patrick Bethke. All "yes". Motion carried.
6. Approval of Minutes
 - A. December 17, 2020 Minutes
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve December 17, 2020 Minutes; Patrick Bethke made a second. All "yes". Motion carried.
 - B. January 9, 2021 Caucus Minutes
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve January 9, 2021 Caucus Minutes; seconded by Patrick Bethke. All "yes". Motion carried.
7. Treasurer's Financial Report Ending 12-31-2020
Gordie O'Brien made a motion to approve 12-31-2020 Financial Report as presented by Treasurer Dawn Werlein. Brian Bertram made a second to the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.
8. Old Business
 - A. Town of Bridge Creek/City of Augusta Law Enforcement Update
Gordie O'Brien updated Board on Law Enforcement for Town of Bridge Creek. He shared that the City is still looking at if they would take it on and is still certainly a possibility. Waiting for city to "entertain" the request, then it will go to attorney, etc. It would be a joint municipal court which needs approval of City Council. Ricky Strauch commented and asked if these could be run under identical ordinances, courts costs, etc. (citations would be run through electronics).
Other: Gordie O'Brien asked about the Ordinance to change clerk and treasurer positions from elective to appointed. Ricky Strauch wasn't in touch with Weld's office. This will have to wait as ordinance has to be approved 70 days before election. With April 6 election, there would not be sufficient time. This will need to continue and move forward have it ready for future approval.
9. New Business
 - A. Draw Candidate Names for Ballot Placement
Al Reetz drew lots as follows:
Chairman ballot placement: #1 Jayson Kaeding #2 Ricky Strauch
Supervisor #1 ballot placement: #1 Patrick Bethke #2 Dale Kirchoff
Supervisor #2 ballot placement: #1 Bruce Logterman #2 Jeffrey Gerike
 - B. Employee Handbook Discussion
Discussion for employee handbook – to get samples from Eau Claire County Highway Dept. and get one from City of Augusta. Suggested to get copies of ordinances from others instead of reinventing ordinance then ask for input from Scott Kirchoff and Dusty Bergman. This handbook will at least give the Township a guideline.
 - C. Ordinance (Older Ordinances) Review and Updates
A copy of older ordinances from past years was made available to the board members to look over. Brian Bertram asked if these older ordinances could just be amended? Gordie O'Brien answered that

they could be. Things like penalty amounts, etc. would need to be updated/amended.

D. Department Heads Reports

(1) Recycling Dept.

Allen Reetz stated that things were going good

(2) Transportation Dept.

Scott Kirchoff said things were going well, but may be short-handed. Scott shared that his brother, Dale, could help. Clerk will call Rural Insurance to have him covered.

(3) Town of Bridge Creek Board Report

Patrick Bethke said the Fire Board approved security cameras for inside building. Budget wise they were over last year due to maintenance on trucks (due to breakdowns), a lot of new tires, etc. Grant monies carried some of the costs.

Add weight limits to February Agenda.

10. Approval of Monthly Expenses

11. Upcoming Meetings/Events:

A. February 16, 2021 - Comprehensive Plan Commission Meeting at 6:30 pm

B. February 18, 2021 - 7:30 pm - Regular Board Meeting

12. Adjournment

Gordie O'Brien made a motion at 8:47 pm to adjourn. Patrick Bethke seconded the motion. All "yes".
Motion carried.

~ Kathy Olson, Clerk