

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

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting
Thursday, April 21, 2022 - 7:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairman Ricky Strauch called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Supervisors Bruce Logterman, Patrick Bethke, Duane Ives, Brian Bertram;
Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson and Treasurer Dawn Werlein

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Citizens Comment

Karen Hurd introduced herself and shared that she is running for the position of the 68th Dist. Assembly (to replace Jesse James). Karen is a small business owner and she is involved in many things such as Fall Creek Village Board, etc. She has a love for Wisconsin and wants to be active in voice to represent our area. Karen believes things are being changed/voted in too many closed sessions in schools, etc. and believes that parents need to be allowed in making some of these decisions. Too much taken out of the hands of voting people. She asked for everyone's support in voting for her in the upcoming elections.

5. Approval of 4-21-2022 Agenda and Proper Posting

Brian Bertram made a motion to approve the 4-21-2022 Agenda and its proper posting. Bruce Logterman made a second to the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.

6. Approval of Minutes

A. 3-17-2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Duane Ives made a motion to approve the 3-17-2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Patrick Bethke made a second to the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.

7. A. Approval of Treasurer's Financial Report Ending With 4-21-2022 Balances.

(General Account 116 check #20010- 2052) along with ACH debits and Recycling Account 666 check #1029-1030)

Duane Ives asked for explanation of what Oakwood Bank reclamation account was about. Patrick Bethke asked about a check that was written to Zimmerman Hydraulics. Scott Kirchoff explained it was welding/machining plus wear bands on the mower. Brian Bertram made a motion to approve Financial Report as presented by Treasurer Dawn Werlein. Patrick Bethke made a second to the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.

8. Old Business

A. Ordinances Needed for Board of Review

Duane Ives asked for some clarification as to what the whole process and the need for these Board of Review Ordinances. Patrick Bethke gave him an explanation. Samples of the ordinances are at the lawyers' office.

9. New Business

A Al Sunstom of Associated Appraisal Approval for Following Dates:

1) Set Board Open Book for Monday, June 13, 2022 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

2) Set Board of Review for Either Tuesday, June 28, 2022 or Wednesday, June 29, 2022

The Board suggested the date and time of Wednesday, June 29, 2022 from 5:00 to 7:00

p.m.

- B. Steve Weld to Address Petitioners' Reinstatement Request of Town Powers Presented for Vote at 4-19-22 Annual Meeting. (He will also be available for other questions/concerns the Board may have.)

Mr. Weld was unable to be present for the meeting. A letter was received from his office stating that the May 18, 2022 Annual Meeting vote for reinstating the town powers did pass for reinstatement of powers with a vote of 59 "ayes", 8 "nays" and "7" not voting. Notices will be posted in public and put on the Town of Bridge Creek website with that information.

- C. Reorganization of Board Members

Duane Ives, new member, shared he was already involved with the Lake District and shared in fairness he should not serve as a supervisor to the Fire Dept. Bruce Logterman will remain the supervisor attending the Lake District meetings with Patrick Bethke and Brian Bertram remaining as supervisors to attend monthly meetings of the A-BC Fire Department

10. A. Department Heads Reports

- (1) Recycling Dept.

Al Reetz shared that all is going very well . He asked for permission to move "summer hours" back an hour, having hours from 7 a.m. to noon. The Board had no problem with that request and we will get ad in the paper and Al will place a poster at recycling gate.

- (2) Transportation Dept.

-Board Chairman shared that Eau Claire County had lifted their Road Weight bans.

-Roads to repair: put bid ads in paper soon.

- Patrick Bethke asked about the Township's bridges. Scott Kirchoff stated that our bridges are good. Patrick Bethke made a motion get ad placed for road repair bids with deadline for bids being 5-17-22. Brian Bertram seconded the motion.

All "yes". Motion carried

- (3) Town of Bridge Creek Board Report

- Brian Bertram shared that Augusta-Bridge Creek Fire Dept did not have many calls: Mutual aid was called for Northfield area - grass fire near Osseo.

- Chairman Ricky Strauch shared that Jared Grande is leaving his position at the Eau Claire County Planning and Development. Ben Bublitz will be taking his position. Greg Leonard is leaving that department also as he is retiring. Amanda Peters will be replacing him.

- (4) Monthly Police Report

-20 EMS and Fire calls. Discussion was shared about how nice it was that we didn't have to wait for an Eau Claire County dispatch – these public safety calls can be attended to much quicker. Officers are talking to people in our Township for the purpose of educating the importance of this joint municipality. It is working out very well. Chief Gordie O'Brien was first one out with a dispatch emergency call when a person passed away early in the year.

11. Upcoming Meetings/Events:

- A. 5-19-2022 Regular Meeting

Chairman Ricky Strauch suggested he would call Steve Weld via conference call. Duane Ives stated he could attend the call.

12. Adjournment

Patrick Bethke made a motion to adjourn with a second by Brian Bertram. All "yes". Motion carried.

~ Kathy Olson, Clerk