

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

MINUTES

Regular Monthly Meeting
Thursday, May 19, 2022 - 7:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order
Chairman Ricky Strauch called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.
2. Roll Call
Present: Supervisors Bruce Logterman, Duane Ives, Patrick Bethke, Brian Bertram; Chairman Ricky Strauch, Clerk Kathy Olson and Treasurer Dawn Werlein.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Citizens Comment
5. Approval of 5-19-2022 Agenda and Proper Posting
Patrick Bethke made a motion to approve the 5-19-2022 Agenda and its Proper Posting. Second made by Brian Bertram. All "yes". Motion Carried.
6. Approval of 4-21-2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Patrick Bethke made a motion to approve the 4-21-22 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Bruce Logterman made a second to the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.
7. A. Approval of Treasurer's Financial Report Ending With 5-19-2022 Balances.
(General Account 116 check #20053- 20078) along with ACH debits and Recycling Account 666 check #1031-1033)
Question asked what the Wisconsin Body & Hoist Invoice was for. Scott Kirchoff replied that it was for a toolbox for new truck. Patrick Bethke made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Financial Report as presented by Treasurer Dawn Werlein. Brian Bertram made a second to the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.
8. Old Business
 - A. Approve Ordinance 22.02 – Ordinance to Appoint Alternative Members to the Board of Review
We need to TABLE until next meeting as we are to have five names placed on the ordinance before approval. It was asked that each Board member bring a name of an alternative member who would be willing to serve as an alternative until further notice. If an alternate decides they no longer want to be named on the ordinance, then the ordinance needs to be brought to the Township Board again for approval with new name.
 - B. Approve Ordinance 22.03 – Ordinance Relating to the Confidentiality of Information About Income Matters in the Town of Bridge Creek
Patrick Bethke made a motion to approve Ordinance 22.03 Relating to the Confidentiality of Information About Income Matters in the Town of Bridge Creek (ordinance needed for Board of Review Meetings). Duane Ives made a second to the motion. Roll call vote: Bruce Logterman "yes", Duane Ives "yes, Patrick Bethke "yes", Brian Bertram "yes" and Ricky Strauch "yes". Motion carried.
 - C. Discussion Regarding Approval of Building Permit Application
Clerk had questioned if a building approval poster should be mailed if Eau Claire County stated that no permits were required of them, but that it was shared with the builder that applicant needed to contact Joe Merchak from State Commercial department regarding commercial licensing. There were several calls also received regarding building supplies being dropped off on Warner Road and also on Stinsen/Airport Road. There were no notifications received at the Township, about these two building sites. Eau Claire County

had shared that those two owners involved in each of these had reached out to them regarding building. When this happens, it is suggested that we contact the City (our joint municipality) and have them check the situation out. (Forfeiture fees to be put on next month's agenda.)

9. New Business

A. Road Repair Bids Discussion/Approval

-Asphaltic Chip Seal Surfacing for Pavement Maintenance and Repair:

~Scott Construction \$ 47,544

~Fahrner Asphalt Sealers \$40,966

Patrick Bethke made a motion to accept Fahrner Bid of \$40,966 as it was the cheaper of the two bids. Brian Bertram made a second to the motion. Roll call vote: Bruce Logterman "yes", Duane Ives "yes", Patrick Bethke "yes" and Brian Bertram "yes". Motion carried.

-Ditching project:

~Barka Trucking \$165 Excavator usage per hour plus machine relocation \$150.00

~J & J Excavating \$140.00 per hour

Duane Ives made a motion to accept the lower bid from J & J Excavating with a second by Brian Bertram. All "yes". Motion carried.

B. John Johnson to be in Attendance to Discuss Road Repair Money Availabilities with Possible Approval for Moving Forward

Fed Funding BIL Funding – John Johnson shared there are a few grants available right now. The next grant/option application is due June 3. Eau Claire County Highway is offering to help with applying for these grants. There is no guarantee for funding, but at least try. He would include points of value to submit: school located on Bartig Road, new residential area and camp ground all on Bartig Road. If approved, 80% would be federally funded with the Township being responsible for 20% payment. The length of road to be repaired is 2.91 (cost of \$318,000 per mile). The project would not take place until 2024. Chairman Ricky Strauch added that another appealing point of interest would be to add to that a bike trail (make wider). As of now the Town of Bridge Creek would need to designate for Eau Claire County to move forward. Patrick Bethke made a motion to utilize Eau Claire County for applying for the BIL grant. Brian Bertram made a second to the motion. Roll call: Bruce Logterman "yes", Duane Ives "yes", Patrick Bethke "yes" and Brian Bertram "yes". Motion carries to move forward with grant. moving forward for

C. Approval of Renewals for Alcohol License Applied Retailers License Alcohol License for the Following Establishments:

1. Mike's Buckhorn Bar – Class B Beer and Class B Liquor License (Paperwork completed)

2. Augusta Sportsmen's Club – Class B Beer and Class B Liquor License (Paperwork completed)

3. 11th Frame Bar 'N Grill – Class B Beer and Class B Liquor License (Have not received paperwork back yet)

4. Kragero – Class B Beer and Class B Liquor License – HOLD – bring liquor license back to hold hearing in 30 days (Paperwork completed)

5. Troy's Gas & Grub – Class A Beer and Class A Liquor (Paperwork completed)

Patrick Bethke made a motion to approve all completed paperwork with the exception of Kragero. Duane Ives seconded the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.

D. Lindsey Clark – Alcohol Licensing & Ordinance Discussion

October 2019 the Bridge Creek Township was notified that Judy's 360 was to be shut down per request of Eau Claire County Health Department. Lyndsy Clark was in touch with township clerk to share she would take over and had been in touch with the Eau Claire County Health Department as to what needed to be done. No payment nor

application was received from her for payment nor application for alcohol license. That was since October of 2019 with no contact. NEXT MONTH

E. Approval for Cigarette & Tobacco Retail License Application

1. Troy's Gas & Grub

Brian Bertram made a motion to approve Cigarette/Tobacco License Application, which was seconded by Duane Ives. All "yes". Motion carried.

F. Discussion/Approval to Move Forward with Several New Ordinances for the Township
Chairman Ricky Strauch shared that he would like to see a Wind Turbine Ordinance put in place. Patrick Bethke added that a township cannot make an ordinance any more strict than State Statute.

Brian Bertram and Patrick Bethke brought up a need for a Sex Offender Ordinance. Brian Bertram shared that he would bring a copy of the ordinance that St. Croix County has in place (8 or 9 page outline). He also added that we need to protect all of the kids in our township: Amish and Public School children. Samples will be brought to next meeting. Several other domestic ordinances could be put in place for contracted services from City of Augusta vs. Eau Claire County. which Chief Gordie O'Brien would be willing to work with us to draw up.

F. Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Programs in Wisconsin Discussion

Duane Ives shared that he is on the School District of Augusta. Through some of those sources he has discovered that there are municipality opportunities (municipalities with less than 5500 population as those seem to have) for availability of grants and loans
Patrick Bethke shared that when board members come across these opportunities, that "we" (meaning township board) would individually bring it forth to board. Duane Ives stated he will look into this more.

10. A. Department Heads Reports

(1) Recycling Dept.

Al Reetz stated that everything is going good!

(2) Transportation Dept.

Scott Kirchoff said all was fine. They plan to do start some shoulder repair next week.
Brian Bertram asked about ditching on Sperber Road.

(3) Town of Bridge Creek Board Report

Brief discussion – fire dept. – 1 fire call 15 EMS – 5 in BC. Fire Dept. needs to get budget raised. Ken looking into some grants.

Bruce Logterman shared that Mike Lea had applied for a \$68,000 grant for skid road. He is reapplying for a recreational grant for a boat landing, etc. for handicapped use for \$400,000. Applying for other \$1200 grant for filter for lakecribs (5 filters) which have never been changed. Lots of work goes into these grants but are so worth it.
Mike Lea (Lake Assoc.) are doing a good job.

(4) Monthly Police Report

Copies of the Police Report were handed out.

11. Upcoming Meetings/Events:

A. June 13, 2022 – Open Book Meeting (Al Sunstrom) from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

B. June 16, 2022 – Regular Board Meeting

C. June 29, 2022 – Board of Review Meeting from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

12. Adjournment

Patrick Bethke made a motion to adjourn at 9:48 p.m. Bruce Logterman made a second to the motion. All "yes". Motion carried.

~ Kathy Olson, Clerk