

BALDWIN TOWNSHIP

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online at <http://www.dnr.state.mn.us>
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Baldwin Township
Commissioners

From left to right:
Ross Perry,
Bryan Lawrence,
Peggy Patten,
Richard Harris,
Judy Thorson and
Richard Marshall

Business Meeting a Success

The Baldwin Township Planning Commission sponsored a May 18th meeting of local businesses. It was held at the Town Hall here in Baldwin Township. The purpose of the meeting was twofold: first an opportunity for local businesses to meet and get acquainted with the Planning Commission, its history and goals, and secondly to receive information from County personnel on business taxes and other economic trends in order to provide feedback to the Commission on issues of concern. Speaking for the County were Diane Arnold, Sherburne County Auditor / Treasurer (Overview of Tax Money flow) and Dan Weber, Sherburne County Assistant County Administrator / Economic Development Specialist (Economic Development trends).

The meeting was attended by several of the larger businesses in the area who provided valuable input to both the County speakers and the Planning Commission. Of concern were the following: the apparent disparity in tax assessments between Baldwin Township businesses and businesses in other parts of the county where property values are higher, drainage requirements imposed by the State on new Commercial Construction, how to bring new businesses to the area, how to be more business friendly and more.

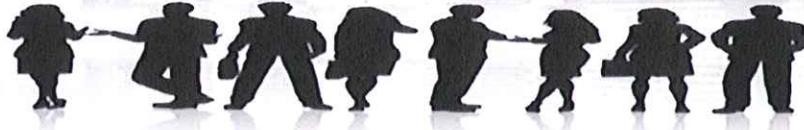
Discussion on these issues was lively and lengthy with Town Board Chair Jay Swanson and Supervisor Randy Atwood providing much appreciated background and updates on issues of concern. In all a successful exchange of information took place and all left with the belief that this type of forum should be repeated on a regular basis. It helps the Board and the Planning Commission to more accurately reflect the feelings of the Township.

Article submitted by Commissioner Richard Marshall

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**Baldwin Township Sherburne County Minnesota
Government Organization**

BALDWIN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION



JOIN US FOR AN INFORMATIONAL LAKESHORE MEETING

JULY 8, 2015

6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

BALDWIN TOWNSHIP HALL

PRESENTED BY BALDWIN PLANNING COMMISSION

GUEST SPEAKERS FROM

***SHERBURNE COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION
KEEPING LAKES PRISTINE AND INVASIVE WATER SPECIES***

Facts about Baldwin Township Clean Up Day

The Clean Up Day program is one of the most popular, and necessary, operations in the Township of Baldwin. The program is designed to provide a way for residents to dispose of items what were not taken by their regular garage service. Once a year this service is offered in order to help eliminate illegal dumping. Illegal dumping costs residents hundreds of dollars a year to clean up. Illegal dumping is the #1 complaint, and we need your help in stopping this. The Friday before Clean Up Day, youth hockey participants scour the ditches throughout Baldwin Township picking up trash. Not only is roadside trash unsightly, it also cost taxpayer's dollars.

Baldwin Township receives a SCORE grant to help with the expenses of Clean Up Day. The dollar amount of the grant varies and does not cover all expenses. As a service to the residents Baldwin Township allows free items such as 4 free tires and 1 free appliance. It's the determination of the Town Board of Supervisors how many and which items are deemed free.

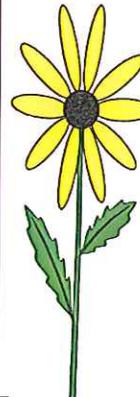
In May, 183 vehicles flowed through the parking lot of Baldwin Town Hall filling 5 dumpsters that were collected by Jim's Mille Lacs Disposal.

Thank you Baldwin residents for a successful Clean Up Day.



Blue Line Hockey Team

Celebrate our growing season ...



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[www.extension.umn.edu/
county/Sherburne](http://www.extension.umn.edu/county/Sherburne)



Young Park Swing Set (above) and Play Equipment (below)



Just a Friendly Reminder:
Young Park does not allow Horses or Motorized Vehicles on the walking trails.

The Baldwin Fire Department will now fill your pools with water for a fee. Please contact Baldwin Township at 763-389-8931 for more details.

Baldwin Volunteer Corps
We are a group of Baldwin citizens who are interested in serving our community. We sponsor the annual Baldwin FunFest as well as other civic activities.
If you would like to listen in, share ideas and be a part of our committee we meet on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Baldwin Township Hall. Please contact the Town Hall for more information.

County Legacy Grant: The Township is forming a committee to discuss / investigate utilizing \$609,000 towards new township facilities. Contact Supervisor Brad Schumacher if you are interested in being a part of this committee.

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, September 19, 2015
At Young Park

Tentative FunFest Activities

Popcorn AirCare Face Painting
Bouncy House
Family Fun Games and Much Much More!!

Fire Department Activities Helicopter Landing
Demonstrations Canine Unit Live Music
Hayrides Silent Auction Food
Fun Run Dunk Tank



The Pavilion at Young Park is now available for rentals.

Reservation Fees:

All fees must be paid at time of reservation

Pavilion (accommodates approximately 30-75 people)
All Day Rental

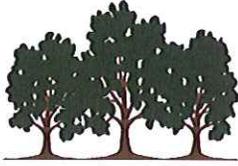
\$100 per day

Up to 4 Hours

\$50 for event

Cleaning Deposit (refunded after inspection)
\$100 (separate check)

Key Needed (to be picked up at Baldwin Township-
Monday thru Friday 8:00a.m. to 4:30p.m.)



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Unless otherwise noted, all meetings start at 7:00 p.m.)

- July 3 **INDEPENDENCE DAY OBSERVED** (Office Closed)
- July 6 Town Board Regular Meeting
- July 15 Planning Commission Meeting
- July 16 Park Committee Meeting
- July 21 Town Board Regular Meeting
- July 27 Baldwin Volunteer Corps Meeting
- August 3 Town Board Regular Meeting
- August 18 Town Board Regular Meeting
- August 19 Planning Commission Meeting
- August 20 Park Committee Meeting
- August 24 Baldwin Volunteer Corps Meeting
- September 7 **LABOR DAY** (Office Closed)
- September 8 Town Board Regular Meeting
- September 15 Town Board Regular Meeting
- September 16 Planning Commission Meeting
- September 17 Park Committee Meeting
- September 19 **FUNFEST AT YOUNG PARK**
(12:00 NOON TO 4:00 P.M.)
- September 28 Baldwin Volunteer Corps Meeting

LET'S GO GREEN!
To save money on paper and postage
If you send a message to
cheryl.dobson30239@gmail.com,
we will have your email address for the green
edition of the newsletter.



They Baldwin Fire Department recently learned they were successful with their application for a FEMA grant last December. The department will be receiving a new air compressor and fill station to fill their air packs. The current compressor is 20 years old. The department will also be receiving some equipment to help extricate patients from car accidents. The total value of all the equipment is around \$42,000.

The Fire Department would like to give a big thanks to all who helped make the annual garage sale a success. A big thanks to the Women's Auxiliary for all the time they put in planning, setting up, and working at the garage sale. We would also like to thank all of you who donated items for the sale as well as those who attended the sale.

COMMUNITY BUSINESS HIGHLIGHT

**Northwoods
Animal Hospital** 

Northwoods Animal Hospital has been providing high quality Veterinary care to Princeton, MN and the surrounding communities since 2004. Our knowledgeable staff provides your furry family members with comprehensive medical and surgical care.

**Dr. Jeremy Riddle can be reached on
weekday evenings, and weekends via
voicemail.**
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If you're a local business and would like to be featured in our next newsletter, please contact us.