

BALDWIN TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

August 18, 2015

Present – Supervisors Jay Swanson, Randy Atwood, Tom Rush and Brad Schumacher. Supervisor Jeff Holm absent.

Call to Order – The August 18, 2015 regular meeting of Baldwin Township was called to order by Chairman Jay Swanson at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance – All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions/Corrections to Agenda

- Add Discuss Fire Department Capital Fund to after Road Report
- Add Approve/Disapprove Tony Flanders Dirt Donation
- Add to Announcements Cat Demo Day; Wednesday, August 19, 2015; Ogilvie Raceway
- Add to Announcements Fireman's Dance; August 29, 2015; Ridgewood Bay
- Add Discuss Ross Perry Claim under New Business

Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda With/Without Additions/Corrections

Atwood/Rush unanimous to approve the regular agenda as amended.

Treasurer's Report:

August 2015 Preliminary Treasurer's Report – The clerk reported receipts of \$8,273.21 and disbursements of \$154,767.39 (not including payroll), check numbers 19540 through 19567 and 4 EFT payments leaving an unaudited balance of \$675,647.64.

Road Report – Schumacher read the road report from Terry Carlile covering the last half of June through July. To date there has been 23.43 tons of patch costing \$1,360.19 and 30 pails of tack costing \$1,200.00. There were 32.3 hours of ditch mowing for a net cost to Baldwin of \$2,146.40. Quotes from West Branch Construction, Rum River Contracting and Knife River are sought for road concerns on 120th and 278th. The well for the windmill at Young Park was located and the area cleared. Praught Well Drilling will give an estimate for sealing the abandoned well.

The Supervisors viewed the photos taken from the Elk Lake Estates Road Project. Sand and old class 5 was removed and placed at the Young Park field road. 258 ton of class 5 was spread on all roads at Elk Lake Estates.

Debris was removed from the south storm drain at South Sandy Lake and a 12-inch riser was installed, cemented, and filled with class 5. Sand was dug out from 3 culverts and the runoff area was cleared.

There is an on-going issue at The Highlands concerning drainage at the Boemer property which still hasn't been resolved. Swanson/Schumacher unanimous to instruct Bogart to refer all calls from Mr. and Mrs. Boemer to the township.

Schumacher will contact Erickson Asphalt to discuss repairs to the blacktop on 100th Street at the north side of Sandy Lake. There are drainage issues and the water under the blacktop surface has badly alligatored the road.

To be addressed are drainage issues at 125th Street, 125 ½ Street, 314th Street and 316th Street in the Marvin George Addition by Jon Bogart.

Discuss Fire Department Capital Fund – Chief Rademacher asked for clarification on where the funding was coming from for the air packs. Swanson stated that the monies were taken out of the Capital Fund. It was stressed that the capital fund is to be used for equipment. Rademacher then said that he would request that the dollars of any sales of equipment or items be put back into the capital fund. It is requested that a fire department representative be present at the August 24th Baldwin Volunteer Corps meeting.

Approval of Consent Agenda – Rush/Schumacher unanimous to approve the Town Board Meeting Minutes of August 3, 2015 and to approve ordering the fall batch of EMS signs.

CONDITIONAL & INTERIM USE PERMITS: None.

PLATS: None.

VARIANCES: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

County Planning & Zoning Report – Bryan Lawrence reported on the topics discussed at the Sherburne County Planning and Zoning meeting which included a proposed amendment to covering outdoor pools, a lot split in Big Lake Township, an expired IUP in Big Lake Township and the construction of a personal storage structure on .3 acres in Palmer Township.

Park Committee Report – The Kopp family is only funding current programs, and the Initiative Foundation did not approve the grant applications. Grants will still be submitted to Walmart and Sam's Club as well as the Bernick's Family Foundation. Rush reported that we are still waiting for the handicap ramp to be completed at Young Park. After dirt is spread the basketball pole will be put up. Patten still hasn't installed the plaque. After the Park meeting on August 21st, the committee is going out to Goose Lake Park, along with other things, to establish parking lot boundaries.

Baldwin Planning Commission Update – In order to get into synch with the county, the Planning Commission is looking at changing their meeting date. The Agricultural Public Meeting is scheduled for November.

SBA Update – SBA has a new legal representative. It appears that the delay now is that the township attorney is on vacation.

Approve/Disapprove Legacy Grant Committee Applicants – Schumacher/Rush unanimous to table until the Baldwin Township Regular Meeting of September 8, 2015.

Approve/Disapprove Well Sealing Quote & Enter Into Cost-Share Agreement with Sherburne Soil & Water Conservation District - Two bids need to be obtained to enter into the cost-share agreement with Sherburne County. Rush/Schumacher unanimous to table until the Baldwin Township Regular Meeting of September 8, 2015.

TABLED ITEMS:

Approve/Disapprove Employee Discipline Form/Employee Handbook Changes
Schumacher/Rush unanimous to approve the changes to the Employee Discipline Form as suggested by the township attorney to include "Written reprimands are issued by the supervisor with prior approval from the Town Board."

Approve/Disapprove Asphalt for 120th Street & 278th Avenue– Two quotes were received. Rum River Contracting quoted \$41,785.00; Knife River quoted \$71,740.00. Schumacher/Atwood unanimous to approve Rum River Contracting to asphalt 120th Street and 278th Avenue.

Approve/Disapprove Purchase of Compressor – Rush/Schumacher unanimous to approve the purchase of an air compressor from Northern Tool and Equipment for the sum of \$2,499.99.

Approve/Disapprove Comments to County Regarding Application to Amend Zoning Ordinance Section 16.2, Subdivision 5.8 Interim Use Permit for Contractors Yard – Rush/Atwood unanimous to give comment to Sherburne County that the Baldwin Planning Commission is to review the Interim Use Permit for Contractors Yard in order to give their findings back to the township board to review at the regular township meeting of September 8th.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approve/Disapprove ISD 477 Using Rick Schwartz' Property for Soccer Practice Field – Swanson/Schumacher unanimous to approve IDS 477 using the Schwartz' property for a soccer practice field.

Approve/Disapprove Transfer of Funds from Park Fund to Road & Bridge Fund
Schumacher/Atwood unanimous to approve transferring \$10,000 from the Park Fund to the Road and Bridge Fund.

Approve/Disapprove Sherburne Soil & Water Conservation District Survey
Swanson/Schumacher unanimous to refer the Sherburne Soil & Water Conservation District Survey to the Baldwin Planning Commission for comment.

Approve/Disapprove Tree Service Quote for Removing One Tree and Trimming Another, Baldwin Cemetery – Rush/Schumacher unanimous to disapprove removing or trimming trees at Baldwin Cemetery since it's determined the obstruction to the line of view is more the fence and guard rail. Rush/Schumacher unanimous to have clerk write a letter to John Mentor recommending the placement of a 4-way stop at County Road 38 and County Road 19 in order to make the road safer for the public.

Approve/Disapprove Payment to House Rescuers, LLC for Animal Control Services from April 11, 2015 Through July 28, 2015 – Rush/Schumacher unanimous to approve payment of \$811.10 to House Rescuers, LLC for animal control services from April 11, 2015 through July 28, 2015.

Approve/Disapprove Amendment to the Sherburne County Zoning Ordinance No. 212; Solar Energy Systems and Solar Farms – Atwood/Schumacher unanimous to approve the Amendment to the Sherburne County Zoning Ordinance No. 212 regarding Solar Energy Systems and Solar Farms.

Approve/Disapprove Amendment to the Sherburne County Zoning Ordinance No. 213; Shoreland Residential District – Swanson/Atwood unanimous to approve the Amendment to the Sherburne County Zoning Ordinance No. 213 regarding Shoreland Residential District with the comment that an ordinance like this is not really a good fit for Baldwin Township.

Discuss Fire Department Capital Fund – See above.

Approve/Disapprove Tony Flander's Dirt Donation – Schumacher/Atwood unanimous to approve the dirt donation from Tony Flander.

Discuss Ross Perry Claim – Swanson/Rush unanimous in agreement with supporting the insurance adjustor's letter concerning Mr. Perry's claim.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- MAT District Meeting, Wednesday, September 2nd, 7:00 p.m., Anoka Ramsey Community College, Cambridge
- Town Offices Closed Monday, September 7th, Labor Day
- Town Board Regular Meeting, Tuesday, September 8th
- Cat Demo Day; Wednesday, August 19, 2015; Ogilvie Raceway
- Fireman's Dance; August 29, 2015; Ridgewood Bay; 5:00 p.m. to midnight

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

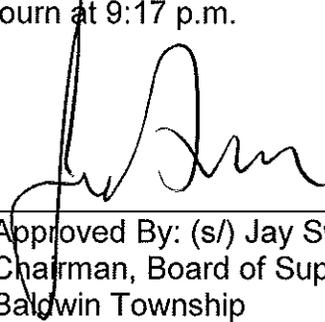
Rush/Atwood unanimous to send Terry Carlile to the Cat Demo Day on Wednesday, August 19 at the Ogilvie Raceway.

Motion to Approve Bills for Payment – Rush/Atwood unanimous to approve for payment check numbers 19540 through 19567 and 4 EFT payments totaling \$33,544.99 and check numbers 19568 through 19572 totaling \$4.,481.13.

Adjournment – Rush/Atwood unanimous to adjourn at 9:17 p.m.



Submitted By: (s/) Cheryl Goetz Dobson
Deputy Clerk
Baldwin Township



Approved By: (s/) Jay Swanson
Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Baldwin Township

9-8-2015

Date

Attendees: Lester Kriesel, Judy Thorson, Elaine Philippi, Jon Bogart, Mike Rademacher, Terry Carlile