

Baldwin Volunteer Corps Regular Meeting
January 26, 2015
Baldwin Town Hall

PER MN. STATE STATUTE §13D.04 NOTICE OF THIS MEETING
WAS GIVEN PROPERLY

Call to Order – The January 26, 2015 regular meeting of the Baldwin Volunteer Corps was opened at 7:09 p.m. by Co-Chairman Elaine Philippi. Supervisor Jay Swanson is standing in for Baldwin Township Liaison Tom Rush.

Additions/Corrections to Agenda

- Add FunFest to New Business
- Add Discuss Committee Name (Discuss Healthy Communities Partnership (HCP) to New Business
- Add BVC to Website to New Business
- Add Annual Meeting to New Business
- Add Future Volunteer Corps Meetings to New Business
- Add Planning Commission Meetings to New Business
- Add Township Budget Meeting to New Business
- Add Becker Community Holiday Fund to New Business
- Add Signage to under Candidate Forum
- Add Dave Brown/Sondra Erickson to under Announcements

Approve Agenda – *A motion was made by Carol Swanson; seconded by Judy Thorson unanimously to approve the agenda as amended.*

Approve/Disapprove Baldwin Volunteer Corps Regular Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2014– *A motion was made by Judy Thorson; seconded by Carol Swanson to unanimously approve the October 27, 2014. Motion carries.*

Public Forum – None.

Old Business

Baldwin FunFest Final

- **Final Financial Report** – *A motion was made by Judy Thorson; seconded by Carol Swanson to table until the February Baldwin Volunteer Corps meeting for correction. Motion carries.*

Candidate Forum – It was discussed that there would not be a need to conduct a Candidate Forum although *a motion was made by Carol Swanson; seconded by Judy Thorson to unanimously have Thorson contact Jeff Hage of the Princeton Union/Eagle to see if he would be interested in publishing prepared questions from the Baldwin Volunteer Corps for the candidates along with contact information of the candidates in the event the citizens had questions of the candidates. Motion carries.*

Signage – No discussion.

New Business

Discuss Committee Name (Discuss Healthy Communities Partnership (HCP) – Thorson questioned why the Town Board Agenda always described the Baldwin Volunteer Corps as TCI Baldwin Volunteer Corps Update since the Baldwin Volunteer Corps no longer is affiliated with the Thriving Communities Initiative. Even though there is no foundation with the Thriving Communities Initiative any longer, it would be easy to form a relationship with them. All things fit in with a ‘thriving communities initiative’, and it would be wise to keep a friendly connection with them.

Baldwin Volunteer Corps to Website – There would be merit in adding the Baldwin Volunteer Corps to the Baldwin Township Website starting with the current January 2015 meeting minutes. It was brought to the deputy clerk’s attention that certain areas of the website need to be updated.

FunFest

Music - Thorson will contact various music groups regarding prices and/or availability to entertain at Baldwin FunFest. There was discussion on the possibility of obtaining a sponsor(s) to help finance music.

FunFest Signage – There was discussion regarding different forms of signage to advertise the FunFest. Thorson will do further research into prices.

FunFest T-Shirts – Thorson will find out costs of t-shirts from VistaPrint. There was discussion regarding having a t-shirt design contest.

Annual Meeting – Philippi agreed to be the representative of the Baldwin Volunteer Corps at the Baldwin Township Annual Meeting.

Future Volunteer Corps Meetings – Since the Baldwin Volunteer Corps is choosing to do the FunFest as their major event for 2015, there was discussion on whether to have meeting only as needed. The overall consensus to continue regular once a month meetings on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Planning Commission Meetings – The Baldwin Planning Commission is considering conducting three community meetings in 2015. They have asked the Baldwin Volunteer Corps to host these meetings with light refreshments.

Township Budget Meeting – The Baldwin Budget Meeting is scheduled for January 27, 2015. *A motion was made by Carol Swanson; seconded by Judy Thorson unanimously to suggest to the Baldwin Town Board to add \$1000 for the Baldwin FunFest to the 2016 levy. Motion carries.*

Becker Community Holiday Fund - Becker has a community fund to raise money for events that are made possible by donations and volunteer time given by area businesses and residents. There was discussion whether this could be a viable option to help raise money for the FunFest. Philippi will do further checking.

Other /Announcements

- Senator Dave Brown and Representative Sondra Erickson will be meeting with the community at the K-Bob Café on Saturday, March 14th at 7:30 a.m.
- The next meeting will be Monday, February 23, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Adjourn – A motion was made by Carol Swanson; seconded by Judy Thorson unanimously to adjourn at 9:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Goetz Dobson
Deputy Clerk
Baldwin Township

Attendees: Elaine Philippi, Carol Swanson, Judy Thorson, Jay Swanson