

BALDWIN TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

September 8, 2015

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

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

Additions/Corrections to Agenda

- Add 'Discuss/Approve/Disapprove Shared Grant Opportunities with City of Princeton' under Fire Department Report
- Add 'Discuss/Approve/Disapprove Firefighter Wages for Out of Area Calls' under Fire Department Report

Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda With/Without Additions/Corrections

Schumacher/Rush unanimous to approve the regular meeting agenda as amended.

Treasurer's Report:

August 2015 Final Treasurer's Report – Receipts of \$8,273.21 and disbursements of \$167,744.51, check numbers 19520 through 19576 and 8 EFT payments leaving an unaudited balance of \$666,982.31.

September 2015 Preliminary Treasurer's Report – The clerk reported receipts of \$2,140.98 and disbursements of \$77,981.81 (not including payroll), check numbers 19577 through 19613 and 4 EFT payments leaving an unaudited balance of \$591,141.48.

Sheriff's Report – Officer Wilson report 173 calls for service in the month of August. On September 23 between the hours of 4:30 pm and 7:00 pm the sheriff is having open house. Young Park had an overnight parker. The board reminded him that there should be no parking there.

Fire Department Report – Chief Rademacher report there were 12 calls for service in the month of August. The department is in the process of having training with Princeton to include two classroom sessions and one mock drill focusing on the Becker Power Plant.

Discuss /Approve/Disapprove Shared Grant Opportunities with City of Princeton

The Baldwin Fire Department was approached by the City of Princeton as well as Milaca concerning a shared services grant with a response expected no later than September 15 or 16. Rademacher feels it is an opportunity to look in since the grant is strictly a study and nothing is binding. The City of Princeton would put Baldwin as one of the host agencies. Rush/Schumacher unanimous to looking into the opportunity.

Discuss/Approve/Disapprove Firefighter Wages for Out of Area Calls - Chief Rademacher is suggesting having an alternate pay scale to bill for calls out of the area. Suggested is \$20 per firefighter; \$25 per officer; and \$400 an hour for the pumper truck. Rush/Schumacher unanimous to approve.

Rademacher said that this year's Fireman's' Dance was the best event to date. Rush mentioned that Rademacher should gather up some the firemen for the dunk tank for FunFest and to have Jim Buell get ahold of him for striping the basketball court. Also suggested is a tug of war with the firefighters and the town board for the FunFest events.

Road Report – Road Report for August 2015 submitted by Terry Carlile:

- Some minor patching around the township. Still have some patching about 1 days' worth.
- Because of work at park and help on vacation week of September 7, postponed roadside moving until September 21 after FunFest.
- Repaired some washouts south of Sandy along with repairing drainage on 284th by swimming beach on south Sandy and cleared tall grass for drainage. Also repaired some drainage Elk Lake Estates.
- Cleared trees downed 319th, 314th, Long Pond, 120th, 133th Street, 104th Street northeast section, 96th Street east Sandy. Also clearing out brush around signage indifferent areas.
- Repairs on 621 Case loader - \$677.50. Repairs to Truck #6 1 ton floor covering - \$237.57. Also truck #6 inner cooler boot cracked - \$541.61.

Schumacher stated that he had talked to Jon Bogart about the permit to get drainage started in the Georgetown section of the township and also talked to the contractor regarding some issues.

Discuss Georgetown Road Work - See above.

Rush thanked Carlile for his work at the Young Park.

Approve/Disapprove Hiring Seasonal Employee – Rush/Schumacher unanimous to approve hiring Tyler Brinwall for \$8 hour as a seasonal employee as the previous seasonal employee has moved.

Approval of Consent Agenda – Rush/Schumacher unanimous to approve the Town Board Meeting Minutes of August 18, 2015; Attendance at Minnesota Fall Maintenance Expo, October 7 & 8, St. Cloud; Accepting Ross Perry's Resignation from Planning Commission and Removing Application from the Legacy Grant Committee; Revised Planning Commission Meeting Dates for the Remainder of the Year; and Deleting Northern Tool from Authorized Charge Companies

CONDITIONAL & INTERIM USE PERMITS:

Approve/Disapprove I.U.P for Home Business in an Accessory Building, Auto Repair Business – Mr. Hoyez was present. He stated that Lynn Waytashek from Sherburne County had come out and was concerned about brake line fluid and he had addressed all issues that the county had. With the following comment, “all was addressed to our satisfaction”, Rush/Schumacher unanimous to approve an Interim Use Permit for an auto repair business in an accessory business for Terrance Hoyez.

PLATS:

Approve/Disapprove 2-Year Preliminary Plat Extension for Rum River Bluffs
Rush/Schumacher unanimous to approve a 2-year Preliminary Plat extension for Rum River Bluffs.

Approve/Disapprove 2-Year Preliminary Plat Extension for Baldwin Estates
Rush/Schumacher unanimous to approve a 2-year Preliminary Plat extension for Baldwin Estates.

VARIANCES: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Park Committee Report – Tom Rush reported that the basketball pole is installed and there will be a free throw competition for FunFest. There have been no grants awarded so far, but the committee is submitting to Burlington Northern and the Twins Foundation. Discussion is underway for plans for a driveway for Goose Lake Park.

Approve/Disapprove Accepting Wayne Thompson’s Resignation from Park Committee – Rush/Schumacher unanimous to accept the resignation from Wayne Thomson from the Park Committee with regrets.

Discuss/Approve/Disapprove Proceeds from Pavilion Rental Deposited in Funfest Fund – There was discussion concerning having the donations and proceeds from rentals be deposited into the FunFest fund rather than asking the citizens at the annual meeting for \$1,000. Schumacher stated that it sounded fair to him. Swanson stated that he thought the fees would offset some of the cost of maintenance. Discussion on ways to track what the township’s fee really is.

Approve/Disapprove Signage for “No Overnight Parking” in Young Park
Schumacher/Rush unanimous to approve to up to \$150 to purchase an “No Overnight Parking” sign for Young Park.

TCI Baldwin Volunteer Corps Update – Everything is falling into place for the FunFest events. The plaque will be installed beforehand. Rush said he is advising Carlile to tell vendors where to park.

Legacy Grant Committee Update – Schumacher reported that three more applications have been sent out but have not yet been returned.

SBA Update – Swanson has spoken with the township attorney. SBA has new legal council.

TABLED ITEMS:

Approve/Disapprove Sherburne Soil & Water Conservation District Survey - Rush/Schumacher unanimous to approve the Sherburne Soil & Water Conservation District Survey with comments from the Baldwin Planning Commission.

Approve/Disapprove Comments to County Regarding Application to Amend Zoning Ordinance Section 16.2, Subdivision 5.8 Interim Use Permit for Contractors Yard – Schumacher/Rush unanimous to approve the comments from Commissioners Harris and Thorson regarding the Application to Amend Zoning Ordinance Section 16.2, Subdivision 5.8 Interim Use Permit for Contractors Yard.

Approve/Disapprove Legacy Grant Committee Applicants – Schumacher/Rush unanimous to table until the September 15 regular Baldwin Township meeting.

Approve/Disapprove Well Sealing Quote & Enter Into Cost-Share Agreement with Sherburne Soil & Water Conservation District – Swanson stated that Terry Carlile already sealed one and the other was sealed by a contractor for \$200.00. Lester Kriesel informed the board that there is a 3rd well. Swanson stated that that one may be the one we will consider cost sharing. Rush/Schumacher unanimous to disapprove the well sealing quote and cost-share agreement with Sherburne Soil & Water Conservation District.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discuss Cell Phones – One of the cell phones has broken. There was review of the AT&T bill.

Discuss Political Views and Opinions to the Media – Supervisor Rush stated that in his opinion Baldwin Township should be left out of any political views offered by any of the supervisors.

Discuss Building Permit Process for PID 01-404-0440 – To be placed on the first meeting in October regular meeting agenda.

Announcements: None.

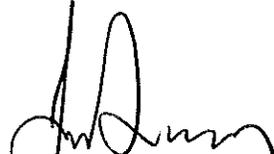
Any Other Business: None.

Motion to Approve Bills for Payment – Rush/Schumacher unanimous to approve check numbers 19577 through 19613 and 4 EFT payments totaling \$78,354.78.

Adjournment – Schumacher/Rush unanimous to adjourn at 8:23 p.m.



Submitted By: (s/) Cathy Stevens
Clerk/Treasurer
Baldwin Township



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



Date

Attendees: Lester Kriesel, Ross Perry, Tim Wolff, Ray McGraw, Joe Glenn, Elaine Philippi, Terrance Hoyez, Terry Carlile