

**TOWNSHIP OF BALDWIN
2399-90TH AVE., BALDWIN, WI.
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING**

December 2, 2021

Meeting was called to order at 7 PM by Chairman Douglas Veenendall members present were Don L. Johnson, Joseph Kusilek, Treasurer, Ronda Helgeson and Clerk, James Harer.

Other attendees: Kay Harer, Chris Veenendall, Terry Helgeson, Tom Olson and Tim Simmons.

Motion made by Joseph Kusilek to approve agenda as printed, seconded and carried.

Minutes of the November board meeting were read. Motion by Don L. Johnson to accept, seconded by Joseph Kusilek. Carried.

Fund balances and vendor checks were reviewed. We are projected to have a cash end of the year balance of \$142,000.00 Motion by Joseph Kusilek to approve check numbers 11099 & 11101-11126 for the amount of \$23,991.36 and to pre-approve other routine bills that may come in. Seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried.

Due to scheduling conflicts Kevin Oium of Cedar Corp was not present. All aspects of the Rose Lane/70th Ave. project are now complete. Total cost submitted were \$941,247.16 under the TRI-D contract the Wisconsin Department of Transportation reimbursement to the town was \$470,623.58. That amount was paid against our construction loan at the First Bank of Baldwin for a 10-year loan for \$472,609.32. A June payment of \$57,550 will be made annually and should be repaid in about 9 years.

Chairman Douglas Veenendall submitted the following names for Election Inspectors for the two-year term running from January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2023. Under Republican Affiliation: Sandra Olson, Judy Johnson, Karen Niccum, Carol Lorentz and Kelli Lorentz. Democratic Affiliation: Karen Esanbock, Wendy L. Sander, Ellen M. Olson, Brittney Gullixson and Emily R. Duch. Unaffiliated: Judy Helgeson.

Motion by Don L. Johnson to approve the Election Inspector list as presented. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek, carried by voice vote.

The 2022 Operations Budget was presented. The amounts are the same as presented at the November Budget hearing with the addition of LRIP award of \$17,096 added to Revenues and put into Public Works on the expenditure side.

Motion by Joseph Kusilek to adopt the 2022 operations budget as presented. Seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried by voice vote. (Copy attached to minutes folder)

Contingency funds will be set in January after year end balance is known. Chairman Douglas Veenendall moved to put one-half into equipment and the balance divided equally between Emergency and minimum operations fund. Seconded and carried.

Review of 2021 building permits. All-Croix Inspection has made progress with several non-permitted house additions.

Chairman Douglas Veenendall updated the board on United Fire and Rescue issues. Loan was signed for fire truck purchase and use of ARPA funds were tabled until more information is available.

2021 road projects were reviewed. All work assigned to St. Croix County Highway Department have been completed and bills paid.

The Town of Baldwin submitted the 2022 milling & paving of 90th avenue between 250th and 260th street for consideration in the LRIP program. The LRIP Committee has met, and the town awarded \$17,096.

Motion by Don L. Johnson have the hall available on Saturday, February 19 from 10-3 for residents to have ID chips implanted into their pets. Dedicated Animal Control Services will be charging \$20 per animal for lifetime activation. Alternate date will be March 5th. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek, carried.

Chairman and Clerk attended a zoom seminar on the ARPA program put on by Wisconsin Towns Assn. Both stated allowable uses of these funds are still unclear.

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The 2021 town budget was reviewed. All major accounts had positive funds.

There were no correspondences or public comment. Tim Simmons stated he will be gone Feb.6-13th.

Future agenda items: Contingency Fund, building permits and WTA meeting attendance.

Motion by Joseph Kusilek to set the date of Thursday, January 6, 2022, at 7 PM for the next board meeting. Seconded and carried.

Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

(Minutes approved and signed on January 6, 2022)

Douglas Veenendall, Chairman

James Harer, Clerk