

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

May 5, 2022

Chairman Douglas Veenendall called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Board attendance: Supervisors Don L. Johnson & Joseph Kusilek, Treasurer Ronda Helgeson and Clerk James Harer.

Others: Chris Veenendall, Kay Harer, Brian Zimmerman, Heather Zinda, Mike Veenendall, Tom Olson, Tim Simmons and Dave Niccum.

Joseph Kusilek moved to approve the agenda as printed. Seconded and carried.

Minutes of the April 7, 2022, board meeting was read. Motion by Joseph Kusilek to approve. Seconded by Don L. Johnson. Carried.

Vendor checks and bank statements were reviewed. Don L. Johnson moved to approve checks number 11256-11280 for \$35,601.83. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek, carried.

BIL: The town board will submit a BIL application soon for resurfacing 250th St. from 80th Ave., to CTH E.

ARPA: Public input at the Annual Meeting indicated that they wanted the lost revenue option taken for ARPA money and to use these funds for road maintenance and improvement projects. Don L. Johnson moved to support their wishes and dedicate ARPA lost revenue funds for future road maintenance needs. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek. Carried.

New hire: Joseph Kusilek moved to hold a special board meeting on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at 6 PM for the purpose of reviewing applications, interviewing applicants, setting benefit package and offering employment. Seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried.

Permits: Monthly building permits were reviewed.

Cleanup day: Don L. Johnson, Joseph Kusilek and Brian Zimmerman will be working the cleanup day this coming Saturday, May 7, 2022.

2022 Road work: The Doris County aid bridge has been installed on 90th Ave. Estimated cost for the milling/paving project on 90th Ave. have been revised up because of increased blacktop cost. We may only be able to put down one lift this year.

Fire Department Update: ARPA use by the department has been taken off the table since all the towns will be able to utilize their allotment for their uses.

Townhall Software: More information is needed to make a final decision. Waiting for comments from towns that are presently using the system.

2006 Heartland Comprehensive Plan: Have received confirmation from John Hilgers that they are planning to do the update for us. Most work will not start until mid-summer. A contract will be forthcoming from the county.

LP Contract: LP contracts will be investigated later in the summer.

Three Year Road Plan: Board was asked to think about the next road projects to fill in construction years 2025 for the purpose of updating our plan in September.

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.gov-still looking into cost, carrier and IT help.

Assessor Contract: Motion by Don L. Johnson to renew the three-year maintenance assessment contract with Randy Prochnow for \$5,500 annually. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek. Carried.

Insurance Contract: Joseph Kusilek moved to approve the one-year contract for town insurance coverage with Rural Mutual Insurance Company for \$8,510.00. Seconded by Don L. Johnson. Carried.

Several correspondences were handed out.

Public Comment: Town patrolman Tim Simmons will be leaving the town in mid-May. David Niccum commented on a job well done by Tim. Former employee Mike Veenendall commented on the job and its challenges. Cake and coffee were furnished by the board to recognize Tim’s service.

Future Agenda items: Liquor and operator licenses, .gov, TownHall Software, zoning and permits.

Motion by Joseph Kusilek to hold the June meeting on Thursday, June 9, 2022, at 7 PM. Seconded by Don L. Johnson. Carried.

Chairman Douglas Veenendall closed the meeting at 7:55 PM.

(Approved and signed at June 9, 2022 board meeting)

Douglas Veenendall, Chairman

James Harer, Clerk