

**TOWNSHIP OF BALDWIN  
MONTHLY MEETING  
TOWNHALL AT 2399-90<sup>TH</sup> AVE., BALDWIN**

May 4, 2023

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Douglas Veenendall at 7:00 PM.

Roll call: Douglas Veenendall, Deputy Treasurer Ronda Helgeson, Don L. Johnson, Joseph Kusilek and James Harer. Treasurer Tammie Curtis was absent.

Others: Barbara & Brian Zimmerman, Barbi Manter of Rural Mutual Insurance, Chris Veenendall, Joe Gerhardt, Sandy & JJ Nelson, David Olsen, David Niccum, David Mentink & Heather Zinda.

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

The clerk verified meeting was properly noticed.

The April 2023 minutes were read. Joseph Kusilek moved to approve. Seconded by Don L. Johnson. Carried.

The fund balances, bank statements and vendor checks were reviewed. Motion by Don L. Johnson to approve checks number 11618-11645 for \$24,919.40. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek. All in favor by voice vote. Carried.

Jeff & Sandra Nelson have requested a variance for a garden shed located at 2421-80<sup>th</sup> Ave., Section 27, Town of Baldwin. The request would be to place the shed 92 feet from the road centerline rather than the 133-foot set-back requirement.

Plan Committee Chairman Joseph Kusilek stated that the committee considered the proposal at their May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting and voted to recommend board approval.

Supervisor Don L. Johnson moved to approve the variance request. Supervisor Joseph Kusilek seconded the motion. By voice vote all indicated-yes & 0-no. Motion carried.

David Olson, 621-County Road BB, Section 34, Town of Baldwin brought forward a CSM prepared by Surveyor Brandon W. King to divide a 15-acre parcel into LOT 1 (5 acres) and LOT 2 with existing house (10 acres).

Plan Committee Chairman Joseph Kusilek stated that the committee considered the presented CSM at their May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting and voted to recommend board approval.

Being this CSM does not involve active farmland, Supervisor Don L. Johnson moved to approve the proposed CSM. Seconded by Supervisor Joseph Kusilek. By voice vote-all in favor & 0-No. Motion carried.

A request for "NO WAKE" signs on Pine Lake was not represented. No action was taken.

The revised 2023 Comprehensive Plan will have a public hearing and special meetings on June 8<sup>th</sup>.

No new developments in county roadwork activities.

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United Fire & Rescue update was given by Douglas Veenendall. Raises were approved for support staff at the department. The one fire truck that has been delivered needs factory work done but the company has not been communicating with staff. Another truck is still waiting for delivery.

Interest has been added and the April report of annual activity has been completed and submitted for ARPA funds.

Discussion continued concerning sand blasting, repairing and painting the town Mack truck. The plow was dropped but was felt that repairs had to be done since a new truck is several years out.

Motion was made by Joseph Kusilek to schedule those repairs Miller Sandblasting and St. Croix County Highway Department for an estimated cost of \$5,635.00. Seconded by Don L. Johnson. Motion carried by voice vote.

The 150<sup>th</sup> Town Anniversary Committee reported on the town picnic. Food is secured and photos are needed. No decision on a plaque board of past board members.

Pillar Bank requires a new check signing signature to be documented. The three officers involved will meet on May 15<sup>th</sup> and will also inquire about creating another bank account, so any one account does not exceed FDIC limits.

Monthly building permits were reviewed.

There were no new correspondences or public comments. Patrolman Joe Gerhardt stated he will be on vacation at the end of May.

The June 8<sup>th</sup> board meeting date was set with the Special Plan Committee meetings.

Being no further business, the chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

*(Minutes were approved and signed at the April 6, 2023 board meeting)*

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Douglas Veenendall, Chairman

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James Harer, Clerk