Budget Hearing November 6, 2025

The 2025 Budget Hearing for the 2026 Town Operations budget was called to order at 7 PM by Chairman Douglas Veenendall. There were seven (7) town residents, and all five (5) board members were present. The town clerk reviewed the 2026 Budget Details and answered all questions. The Budget Hearing was closed at 7:10 PM.

James Harer, Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF ELECTORS TOWN OF BALDWIN November 6, 2025

The town chair called the Special Electors meeting to order at 7:10 PM, immediately following the budget hearing. All 12 members were present.

The purpose of the meeting was to "Approve the 2025 total town tax levy (to be collected in 2026), pursuant to Section 60.10 (1)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Motion by Chris Veenendall to approve the 2025 town levy of \$335,798.00, seconded by Kay Harer. By show of hands there were 12 in favor and 0 apposed. Motion carried.

Motion made by David Niccum to adjourn the Special Electors meeting. Seconded by Kay Harer, carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM.

James Harer, Clerk

TOWN OF BALDWIN
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
2399-90TH AVE., BALDWIN, WI
November 6, 2025

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Douglas Veenendall at 7:12 PM with Supervisors Don L. Johnson & Joseph Kusilek, Treasurer Jessica VanDamme and Clerk James Harer present. Others: Chris Veenendall, Kay Harer, Joe Gerhardt, Brian Zimmerman, Heather Zinda, Roxanne Gerhardt and David Niccum.

Motion by Don L. Johnson to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded and approved. The clerk verified that the meeting agenda was properly noticed.

The October board minutes were read. Motion by Don L. Johnson to approve, seconded by Joseph Kusilek. Carried.

The town and bank accounts were reviewed and balanced. Motion by Don L. Johnson to approve vendor checks number 12546-12578 for a total of \$92,572.10 but hold check number 12570 to St. Croix County Highway Dept. until the State Municipal Aids payment arrives at the end of November. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek. Carried by voice vote.

The town hall and collection attendant wage package was reviewed. Don L. Johnson moved to give both positions a 3% increase effective November 1, 2025, setting the hourly rate of \$16.48. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek. Carried by voice vote.

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Highways: I) The town patrolman had no request other than hauling in salt/sand. II) Road projects have been submitted.

Year end funds remain to be in the \$33,000 range or about \$10,000 less than had been projected at the beginning of the year.

United Fire & Rescue report was given by the town chair. The Baldwin station is loaning the department money they have raised through fund drives to help pay off loans with the station gaining some interest and the department saving money on interest rates.

Budget resolutions: Joseph Kusilek moved to approve Budget Resolution #2025-11-6 which transfers \$200 from General Government Fund to Planning Commission account and Resolution #2025-11-6-A which transfers \$15,000 from the town contingency fund to the Public Works fund. Seconded by Don L. Johnson. Carried by voice vote.

Building permits: I) Year-to-date and October permits were reviewed. II) There has been no response from 2208-80th Ave. concerning mounting fines due to home construction w/o permit. III) The 240th St. school house has obtained a driveway permit and resolved county zoning issues. IV) County will be considering Samuel Romo CUP in November.

Solar Ordinance: The Planning Commission reported on their ordinance progress.

Mix Up on Hilltop LLC will have operator license applications available by the board's December meeting.

Survey: Prochnow Assessing had asked the board to fill out a survey concerning dates and times for Open Book and Board of Review meetings. The board gave their input and was forwarded back to the assessor.

There was no further community input or concern.

Future agenda items: Estimate for generator hookup, approval of the 2026 operations budget, appointment of election workers for the next term.

Joseph Kusilek moved to hold the December board meeting on the 4th at 7 PM. Seconded and carried.

The town chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

(Minutes approved and signed at the December 4, 2025 meeting)	
Douglas Veenendall, Chairman	James Harer, Clerk