

**TOWN OF BALDWIN  
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING  
2399-90<sup>TH</sup> AVE., BALDWIN, WI.  
April 9, 2026**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Douglas Veenendall at 7 PM, also present Supervisors Don L. Johnson & Joseph Kusilek, Treasurer Jessica VanDamme and Clerk James Harer.

Others: Barbi Manter from Rural Mutual Insurance, Chris Veenendall, Kay Harer, Joe Gerhardt, Tom & Sandra Olson, Roxanne Gerhardt, Brian L. Zimmerman, Heather Zinda, Dan & Mary Luckwaldt and Drew & Christine Mason.

Motion made seconded and carried to approve the agenda as printed.

The clerk confirms proper posting of the April agenda.

The March 2026 board meeting minutes were read. Motion by Don L. Johnson to approve, seconded by Joseph Kusilek, carried.

The minutes were read for the March 12, 2026, special meeting to discuss purchasing a one-ton maintenance truck. Motion by Joseph Kusilek to approve the minutes, seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried.

Bills were reviewed along with bank statement reconciliation. Motion by Joseph Kusilek to approve check numbers 12713-12751 for \$34,791.04. Seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried.

**Rural Mutual Insurance** town policy was discussed by Barbi Manter. The purchase of a new one-ton truck and sale of the old one was covered by the new policy. The Workers Compensation policy was lower with the base policy a little higher. Barbi reviewed the town's coverage for cab glass and private or rented vehicle coverage when use for town business. Being members of Rural Mutual also offers discounts at a number of businesses.

Don L. Johnson moved to renew the town's liability, property and workers compensation insurance coverage with Rural Mutual Insurance. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek, carried.

**A fire inspection ordinance** was prepared for consideration based on a sample ordinance furnished by United Fire & Resue. After a brief discussion a motion was made by Don L. Johnson to approve Ordinance #2026-04-09. Joseph Kusilek seconded the motion and the vote carried. Ordinance was signed and will be posted for enforcement.

**Cleanup Day punch list** for 2026 was presented, the list was reviewed by Murtha Sanitation for rates. Joseph Kusilek moved to approve the punch amounts, seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried.

**Planning Commission** appointees expressed their willingness to serve another 3-year term. Motion by Joseph Kusilek to affirm the chairman's appointment of David Mentink and Daniel Luckwaldt for 3-year terms on the Town Planning Commission beginning April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried.

**2025 Financial and 2026 Budget report** was presented for board approval. Motion made by Don L. Johnson to approve and distribute at the annual meeting. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek, carried.

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**Highways:** I) Town patrolman requested a storage box for the new one-ton truck for \$550.00. Motion by Joseph Kusilek to approve the purchase, seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried. II) Road work estimates have been obtained from St. Croix County Highway Dept. Motion by Joseph Kusilek to add 2 inches of base course along with milling/paving of 240<sup>th</sup> St., two miles of seal coat locations TBD and 4+ days of AMZ work. Seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried. III) Spray for roadsides and purchase of limerock were discussed. IV) The old one-ton truck was sold for \$7,000 and we are still waiting for the gas cards from Consumers Cooperative.

**Permits** for 2026 were included with information packet.

**United Fire & Rescue** update was given by the town chair. They have received the new truck and are applying for grant money to cover part of new radio system cost.

**Alternate members to the Board of Review** need to be updated. Don L. Johnson moved to approve Ordinance #2026-04-09-1 naming Jessica VanDamme, Heather Zinda and Daniel Luckwaldt as alternates to the Town Board of Review in case any members were removed or unavailable. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek, carried.

**St. Croix Electric Cooperative** furnishes the electric power for the town hall and thus the town is eligible to vote for a District #6 Supervisor. Motion by Don L. Johnson to cast a vote for Richard Rominski. Motion was seconded by Joseph Kusilek, carried. The ballot was marked accordingly, sealed and envelope signed by the town chair.

**Public comments** centered on the weight limit of 15-ton placed on a bridge on CTH D between 90<sup>th</sup> Ave. and CTH E. This will put a lot of traffic pressure on town roads. The town patrolman will make a map and secure “No through traffic” signs to cover the immediate needs. Attendees were reminded of the Annual Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Future agenda items** consist of regular items as of now.

**Motion** by Joseph Kusilek to set the May meeting for the 7<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM. Seconded and carried.

With no further business the town chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

*(Minutes have been approved and signed by the board at their May meeting)*

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Douglas Veenendall, Chairman

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James Harer, Clerk