

BALDWIN TOWNSHIP WORKSHOP

September 27, 2011

Present – Supervisors Jay Swanson, Kim Good, Larry Handshoe, Randy Atwood and Tom Rush.

Call to Order – The September 27, 2011 Baldwin Township workshop was called to order by Chairman Jay Swanson at 7:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance – All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Review Engineers Alternate Lake Access Plan – The township engineer, Jon Bogart, reviewed what they found when they went out to the 287th Avenue alternate boat access. An email dated September 27, 2011 states:

“I went to the proposed boat ramp today. I measured the distance from shore and took soil samples and depths. This is what I found.

Dist from Shore (ft)	Depth (ft)	Material (ft)
0	0	Sand
30	2' – 0"	Sand
51	3' – 0"	Top 3" muck mixed with sand; sand thereafter"

The boat ramp concept was reviewed. Since nothing will happen until spring, Bogart will ask the DNR if there are any grants available that could possibly be tied together with other projects/plantings. Swanson said he would like to see a cost projection which Bogart agreed to put together and bring back to the township for review. Bogart asked for clarification on whether the town board wants him to pursue going the extra 6 foot into the wetland. He will also find out if it is possible to buy wetland credits from the park.

There was also discussed on the height of the proposed wall, but it was determined that this would be a topic for next spring.

It sounds as the grant with Sherburne County Soil and Water is good for two years although an extension can be asked for.

Review Road/Engineering Standards – The basic changes were in section 160: Signs. There was review of rural road section (7 ton) and road restrictions, although Bogart said this was nothing to worry about with the exception of 104th that has only one lift. In the spring time drop it to five ton. Bogart said to identify a policy that all roads that are not complete or are substandard would be marked in the spring as five ton. A list would need to be created with the policy. Also to be added for approval at the October meeting is EMS sign drawings, eliminate island type cul-de-sacs, and a 10 ton roadway drawing.

Review Developer Agreements – More information is needed before a firm decision is made concerning the Developer Agreement that includes matching Livonia Townships administrative fee, add headwall information and address signs, add a typical notice to residents that the developer would be required to give to the homeowners, having a stricter warranty period and having cash escrow rather than a line of credit account.

Road Patching – Bogart stated that believed the cost to patch 136th Street would be \$24,644 for four (4) areas. Patching 120th Street, 160 foot patch, would cost approximately \$16,000. The cost to grind up 120th Street and put it back to gravel would cost about \$29,333. The 120th Street patching will be added to the October 3, 2011 regular meeting agenda.

Review Fire Department Handbook – Rush stated that he had asked the Fire Chief to meet with his officers to determine if they were in agreement with the changes. Swanson read an email from former firefighter Chuck Nagle regarding if somebody did not live in the response area but worked in the area. If it was communicated to their employer then it was not a problem for them to serve on the fire department. Rademacher stated that the discussion was with a previous town board.

Discussion on requiring specific clothing, page 7 section c. It was decided to delete "SOP" from the table of contents and page 5 and change it to "SOG". A definition of "good standing" will be included in the front of the handbook. The definition will be developed by the chief with approval of the town board. There was discussion on paying a stipend to the training officer and definition of duties. The department will develop the duties/responsibilities.

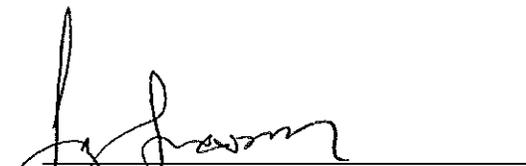
Determine Which Roads Need Patching and Prices - See above.

Review Electrical Plan for the Park – The information has been forwarded to BLK Electrical for the brown building. The outlets are in. Rush will check with BLK electrical for a bid on lights.

Adjourn – Handshoe/Atwood unanimous to adjourn at 10:47 p.m.



Submitted/By: (s/) Cathy Stevens
Clerk/Treasurer
Baldwin Township



Approved By: (s/) Jay Swanson
Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Baldwin Township

Attendees: Gene Nitz, JoAnn Graham, Rob Week, Christi Miller, David Jackson, Tech Huntington, Blane Ding, Scott Case, R. Fischer, Chuck Nagle, Jon Bogart, Mike Rademacher