

Baldwin Volunteer Corps Regular Meeting
January 25, 2016
Baldwin Town Hall

PER MN. STATE STATUTE §13D.04 NOTICE OF THIS MEETING
WAS GIVEN PROPERLY

Call to Order – The January 25, 2016 regular meeting of the Baldwin Volunteer Corps was opened at 7:09 p.m. by Chairman Elaine Philippi. Baldwin Township Liaison Tom Rush was present.

Additions/Corrections to Agenda

- Add “Meeting Schedule” to New Business
- Add “Shervision Representative” to New Business
- Add “Candidate Forum” to New Business
- Add “Fire Department Loft and/or Brown Building” to New Business
- Add “Discuss Email” under Announcements.

Approve Agenda – *A motion was made by Judy Thorson; seconded by Krisie Galligher unanimously to approve the agenda as amended.*

Approve/Disapprove Baldwin Volunteer Corps Regular Meeting Minutes of September 28, 2015 *A motion was made by Judy Thorson; seconded by Krisie Galligher to unanimously approve the September 28, 2015 minutes.*

Old Business

FunFest 2015

Reports – A final 2015 FunFest Income and Expense report was presented. With additional monies from Property and State Tax Income the ending total is \$1,693.39. Discussion is ongoing by the Town Board that a portion of the monies from the Pavilion rental and perhaps some monies from the Park Committee could be used, if needed, to cover some of the future FunFest expenses. *A motion was made by Judy Thorson; seconded by Krisie Galligher unanimously to not ask for money for the FunFest at the 2016 Annual Meeting.*

Krisie Galligher reported that the silent auction did not generate the revenue as it had in the past years. There was discussion that perhaps the auction should be one of the events eliminated from the FunFest agenda.

Beautification Project/Update

Sue Hix and Dean Kleinhaus planted native plants around the monument at Young Park. Mark and Judy Thorson mulched, and weeded around the Young Park sign. Thorson indicated that she is going to concentrate mainly on the Beautification Project in the future.

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New Business

FunFest 2016

- **Signage** – Vista Prints offer 12x18 colored signs with bold print for \$10 each. Thorson asked the committee to consider these as advertisement for the 2016 FunFest.

The Deputy Clerk will design some flyers for “Save the Date” for Clean Up Day.

- **4K Run** – Andrea Bumgarner was invited to the Volunteer Corps meeting to give information she has gathered with her involvement with 4K runs. She said she would consult with the committee was is leery about directly/coordinating the event. Information discussed was: have a run to raise money for the continuation of FunFest; charge a entrance fee to offset costs which also makes people more committed; have t-shirts or swag bags; plan the event the day / morning of FunFest; keep the run to the boardwalks since clearance from the county will be needed to go on public roads; obtain Waiver of Insurances; look at the budget to see what is feasible to spend and stay within the budget; issue medals to the top runners.

Tom

Contact Law Enforcement

Contact Fire Department

Bottled Water

Check into a Volunteer Waiver

Speak at the Annual Meeting / Ask for Volunteers

Present Concept of 4K Run at the next Township Regular Meeting'

Present Concept to the Park Committee

Krisie

Do Research

Determine Clear Goals for Money Generated

Determine Theme

Agreed to be the Point Person / Co-coordinator

Items to Consider

Route

How much to Charge

Feasibility of Using the Roads

Ideas

Flea Market

T-Shirts

Bags

- **Meeting Schedule** – It was agreed that monthly meetings may be necessary. The meeting schedule is

February 29	March 28	April 25	May 23	June 27	July 25
August 22	September 12	September 26			

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No Meetings in October, November, December

- **Shervision Representative** - Shervision is a Community Visioning Project facilitated by the Initiative Foundation. They are looking to have a representative from Baldwin on the committee. The top 3 goals are 1. Regional Community Vision Planning; 2. Develop and Coordinate Business Retention & Expansion Countywide; and 3. Continue to work towards better broadband infrastructure throughout Sherburne County. It was discussed in order to get the word out that an item would be put into the next newsletter.
- **Candidate Forum** – Since there is no completion in the upcoming election, it was decided not to have a Candidate Forum. If residents have any questions of the candidates, they can direct inquiries to the town hall.
- **Planning Commission Comments** – Comments from the Planning Commission concerning FunFest were they liked the steam engine display of 2012 and suggested use of the antique tractor owned by George Clausen.
- **Silent Auction** – *A motion was made by Krisie Galligher; seconded by Judy Thorson unanimously to discontinue the silent auction at the FunFest.*
- **Discuss Fire Department Loft and Brown Building** – It was determined that the fire department loft is not a feasible use for a community meeting place because of handicap issues. It was determined that the brown building at Young Park is not feasible at this time for a community meeting place because it's used for storage and has no heat.

Other

The next meeting will be February 29, 2016.

Adjourn

*A motion was made by Judy Thorson; seconded by Krisie Galligher to adjourn at 9:10 p.m.
Motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted

Cheryl Goetz Dobson
Deputy Clerk
Baldwin Township

Attendees: Elaine Philippi, Judy Thorson, Tom Rush, Krisie Galligher, Andie Bumgarner

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