

Baldwin Volunteer Corps Regular Meeting
March 23, 2015
Baldwin Town Hall

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

Call to Order – The March 23, 2015 regular meeting of the Baldwin Volunteer Corps was opened at 7:03 p.m. by Co-Chairman Elaine Philippi. Baldwin Township Liaison Tom Rush is also in attendance.

Additions/Corrections to Agenda

- None.

Approve Agenda – *A motion was made by Judy Thorson; seconded by Dale Hurni unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.*

Approve/Disapprove Baldwin Volunteer Corps Regular Meeting Minutes of February 23, 2015 – *A motion was made by Judy Thorson; seconded by Elaine Philippi to unanimously approve the February 23, 2015 minutes.*

Public Forum – None.

Old Business

Annual Meeting Report – It was requested that the Baldwin Volunteer Corps present a financial report at future Annual Meetings. Relevance is that it has been stated that the FunFest would become a self-sustaining event. There was discussion there could be a possibility that revenue for the FunFest could be generated from fees connected to rental of the pavilion and baseball fields at Young Park.

Baldwin FunFest 2015

- The Baldwin Park Committee Chair, Dave Patten, requested to have a ribbon cutting dedication for the boardwalks at the 2015 FunFest.
- Thorson continued research on advertising options. There are different size ads as well as fees, and she will check if there is a special rate for community activities since advertising can be potentially expensive. Options are the Princeton Union/Eagle, Princeton/Zimmerman Today, Mill City Signs, and a variety of free advertising opportunities. To add to the April agenda is 'Discuss How Many Large Signs / and Locations.
- More research will be given to ordering tote bags with the Baldwin Township logo for sale at the FunFest. Each bag would cost \$8.50 to purchase.
- Discussion on whether having balloons is eco-friendly.
- Discussion on whether to purchase business sized cards advertising the FunFest.
- WQPM Radio will be contacted.
- Music researched has been Mikko and Friends. His website is Mikko Cowdery Channel. Also researched is Jonathan Clemons who does DJ/Karaoke. Clemons cost is \$275 to up

to 4 hours. There was discussion on the constructing of a platform off of the pavilion for music venues.

- Invite Kermit Young's family to receive special recognition and have a dedication ceremony. Prior to the ceremony the dedication plaque could be placed.
- Provide information tables at the FunFest. i.e. Pheasants Unlimited.
- Ask the Planning Commission if they would like to participate with an informational table at the FunFest with a specific topic or focus.
- Contact Marv's True Value regarding the Bouncy House and popcorn machine. Also ask if they have a dunk tank.
- Send out emails to vendors. Also utilize the Baldwin Township Facebook page, website, flyers and the Princeton On-line Garage Sale site.
- Contact Friendly the Clown.
- Have a petting zoo. Call Nelson Nursery on who to contact.
- Contact 4H group. Contact the Girl Scouts.
- Rush is working on a scavenger hunt/geocache.
- Fire Department activities including the Kitchen House Burn.
- Krisi has said she would do the baskets for the silent auction.

Discuss Ideas to Expand Volunteer

- Thorson talked to Terry regarding beautification ideas.
- Bill Bronder and Gina Hugo would be the persons to contact regarding the rain garden.
- Entertain the idea of sending out former invitations to encourage volunteers. Make contact with the present list of volunteers to see if they would be interested in helping with specific events.
- Put on April agenda 'Ideas / Decide on a Specific Project'.
- Put on April agenda 'Community Resource Packet'.

Other /Announcements

- The next meeting of the Baldwin Volunteer Corps will be April 27, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Baldwin Town Hall.
- The Volunteer Corps is being asked by the Baldwin Planning Commission to host tentative public meetings. The first one is scheduled for May. The Volunteer Corps would need to find a place (Finish Line, church, the town hall) as well as a catering service to serve from 40-60 people.

Adjourn – A motion was made by Judy Thorson; seconded by Dale Hurni unanimously to adjourn at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Goetz Dobson
Deputy Clerk
Baldwin Township

Attendees: Elaine Philippi, Judy Thorson, Tom Rush, Chuck Nagle, Dale Hurni