

Baldwin Volunteer Corps Regular Meeting
April 27, 2015
Baldwin Town Hall

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

Call to Order – The April 27, 2015 regular meeting of the Baldwin Volunteer Corps was opened at 7:02 p.m. by Co-Chairman Elaine Philippi. Baldwin Township Liaison Tom Rush was absent. Supervisor Jay Swanson was in attendance.

Additions/Corrections to Agenda

- None.

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

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

Public Forum – None.

Old Business

Baldwin FunFest 2015

- **Approve/Disapprove Signage** – Thorson/Hurni unanimous to approve two (2) signs from Mill City Signs at a cost of \$130 each with an accepted friendly amendment from Philippi contingent upon the fact that Baldwin Township will not be liable for any damage to the signs. Baldwin Township approval is needed since a contract needs to be signed. Discussion that the signs would be contracted two (2) weeks before the event and tentatively placed at County Road 38 and 169; and at Marv's True Value.
- **Plaque at Young Park** – Swanson said that the Baldwin Park Committee will decide where to place the plaque and that it will be installed before FunFest. Thorson is in contact with the Young family. As part of the celebration Thorson talked about having an MC, ribbon cutting, banners or balloons as well as cupcakes. She will check on the costs and bring the figures to the next meeting.
- **Update Newsletter Article** – Thorson will submit articles to the township before May 4. One article will be on the FunFest; the other on the Baldwin Volunteer Corps Beautification Project.
- **5-K Run** – Andie Bumgarner has joined the group and has agreed to coordinate a 5-K Run for the FunFest. There was discussion on whether a 5-K Run could be used as a fundraiser. Bumgarner will be invited to the next meeting.
- **Update on Vendors** – Emails has been sent out to all the previous vendors. There have been no responses. There was discussion on whether the committee should put a classified ad in the Princeton Today and the Princeton Union-Eagle. The deputy clerk will put a notice on Facebook.

- **Children Craft Volunteer** – *A motion was made by Elaine Philippi; seconded by Judy Thorson to hire Friendly the Clown for \$180 between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. Motion carried.*

Deb Ackerman is willing to have a nature craft for the children from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. Elaine Philippi will have cookie decorating for the children again this year. If games are offered for entertainment for the children, volunteers will be needed.

- **Report on Dunk Tank** – *A motion was made by Judy Thorson; seconded by Dale Hurni to reserve a dunk tank from Marv's True Value for \$100 for a ½ day period with the stipulation of having a dunk tank if there are at least 5 volunteers to be dunked. Motion carried.*
- *A motion was made by Carol Swanson; seconded by Judy Thorson to spend up to \$225 for a Bouncy House and Popcorn Machine from Marv's True Value. Motion fails. A motion was made by Carol Swanson; seconded by Judy Thorson to spend up to \$250 for a Bouncy House, Popcorn Machine and Popcorn from Marv's True Value. Motion carried.*
- **Finalize Community Business Meeting Plans** – The Community Business Meeting will be held at the town hall on May 18 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. A notice will be put on both the Baldwin Township's website and Facebook pages. Carol Swanson will bring a meat/cheese tray, Elaine Philippi will furnish vegetables and Judy Thorson will bring fruit.
- **Initiative Fund Donation** – There are no funds available for this event per Initiative Grant guidelines.
- **A motion was made by Judy Thorson; seconded by Elaine Philippi to hire Mikko to play music for 2 hours at the FunFest for a cost of \$300.** A voice vote was taken with Thorson and Philippi voicing yes; Swanson and Hurni abstain. **Motion carried.**
- **Beautification Project Discussion** – Thorson will create a ½ page flyer to be handed out during Clean Up Day to try to generate interest for volunteers towards beautification projects.

Discuss Ideas to Expand Volunteer

- Spectrum High School may be interested in knowing that the BVC is looking for volunteers.
- Volunteers are needed for the Candidate Forum, FunFest and the Beautification Project.

New Business

- **Day of Kindness** – The Day of Kindness is a Princeton community wide event slated for Saturday, August 15 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- **Change May Meeting Date** – Since the May meeting date falls on Memorial Day, *a motion was made by Judy Thorson; seconded by Dale Hurni to cancel the meeting for May. The next meeting will be June 22, 2015. Motion carried.*

Adjourn – *A motion was made by Dale Hurni; seconded by Carol Swanson unanimously to adjourn at 9:25 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Goetz Dobson
Deputy Clerk
Baldwin Township

Attendees: Elaine Philippi, Judy Thorson, Chuck Nagle, Dale Hurni, Carol Swanson, Jay Swanson