

## BALDWIN TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

June 1, 2015

**Present** – Supervisors Jay Swanson, Tom Rush and Randy Atwood. Supervisors Jeff Holm and Brad Schumacher absent.

**Call to Order** – The June 1, 2015 regular meeting of Baldwin Township was called to order by Chairman Jay Swanson at 7:00 p.m.

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

### **Additions/Corrections to Agenda**

- 'Discuss Grant Writer for Park' under New Business
- 'Approve/Disapprove Ziegler Credit' under New Business
- 'Approve/Disapprove Obtaining Quotes Highways' under Old Business
- 'Recap Meeting with City of Princeton Including Picking Members for Trail Committee with Rhonda Lewis' under New Business

**Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda With/Without Additions/Corrections -**  
Atwood/Rush unanimous to approve the regular meeting agenda as amended.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

**May 2015 Final Treasurer's Report** – Receipts of \$7,494.30 and disbursements of \$40,194.56, check numbers 19288 through 19348 and 7 EFT payments leaving an unaudited balance of \$449,173.74.

**June 2015 Preliminary Treasurer's Report** – The clerk reported receipts of \$0 and disbursements of \$6,355.29 (not including payroll), check numbers 19349 through 19359 and 1 EFT payment leaving an unaudited balance of \$442,823.20.

**Sheriff's Report** – The deputy reported 180 calls for service in the month of May. Two or three calls per month are for noise complaints in Baldwin. Swanson asked if any of the noise complaints are coming from Flower City Estates. The deputy responded he has not seen a pattern. If it continues there could be disorderly tickets issued. Extra patrol was requested for the trail ending at 313<sup>th</sup> Avenue because of motorized vehicle activity, and at Young Park because someone is trying to dig out the park benches.

**Fire Department Report** – Assistant Chief Kiel reported there were 22 calls for service in the month of May.

### **Approve/Disapprove Waiver and Release Form for Filling Swimming Pools**

Rush/Atwood unanimous to approve the Waiver and Release Form for filling swimming pools. An agreement will need to be signed along with a paid fee. Atwood mentioned it may be a good idea to revisit the policy after the summer.

**Approval of Consent Agenda** – Rush/Atwood unanimous to approve the Town Board Meeting Minutes of May 11 and May 19, 2015 and to approve Tobacco License Renewal, Ridgewood Bay Resort.

**CONDITIONAL & INTERIM USE PERMITS:** None.

**PLATS:** None.

**VARIANCES:** None.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Park Committee Report** – Rush reported that the next meeting is June 18, 2015. Rush said there are issues as stated in the Sheriff's Report. The grant writer discussion is under New Business. There are rentals for graduations for the pavilion. The committee is trying to get the trails sprayed and fill dirt brought in.

**TCI Baldwin Volunteer Corps Update** – None.

**SBA Update** – No Update. The Clerk will contact the attorney.

**Approve/Disapprove Resolution 15-08; Resolution Posting Weight Restrictions on Certain Town Roads** – Rush/Atwood unanimous to table Resolution 15-08; A Resolution Posting Weight Restrictions on Certain Town Roads until the June 15, 2015 regular meeting.

**Approve/Disapprove Quotes for The Highlands** – Rush/Atwood unanimous to disapprove obtaining quotes for The Highlands until the property owners sign something before we do anything.

**TABLED ITEMS:**

**Approve/Disapprove Electrical Quote for Locking Outlet & LED Lights** - Rush/Atwood unanimous to approve the electrical quote for a locking outlet and LED lights from Reliance Electric for \$1,550.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Review/Approve/Disapprove Community Solar Energy Systems & Solar Farm Comments to County** – Rush/Atwood unanimous to approve with the comment to have all CUP's on Community Solar Energy Systems and Solar Farms to be ½ mile from Highway 169.

**Review Authorized Signature List** – The authorized signature list was reviewed.

**Approve/Disapprove Attendance at 2015 MAT Summer Short Course, Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, St. Cloud** – Rush/Atwood unanimous to approve attendance at the 2015 MAT Summer Short Course on Monday June 15, 2015 in St. Cloud.

**Approve/Disapprove Sale of Tax Forfeited Land** – Rush/Atwood unanimous to table pending review from Jon Bogart.

**Grant Writer for Park** – Rush reported that the grant writer, Shelli Urness, returned results of what looked good. He has not heard back from Lou Her from the Bremer Foundation. Ms. Urness charges \$80/hour. Rush recommended limiting the grant applications to 3 and no more than 5. Swanson stated that we need to ask some dirt people how much and how much for fencing. Atwood stated that detail is needed to be accurate. Swanson suggested working with the town engineer on the plan and come up with a realistic estimate and then send to grant writer. Scratch out the grant opportunities we know we won't go for. The board will leave it up to Rush's judgement on which grants to apply for, allow him to work with town engineer to get the plan and then come up with a dollar amount.

**Approve/Disapprove Ziegler Credit Application** – Rush/Atwood unanimous to approve the Ziegler Credit Application.

**Recap of Meeting with City of Princeton and the Rhonda Lewis Committee** – Swanson stated he had talked with Rachel Leonard and she is on board. The City of Princeton had their minds made up when they stepped into the door. The DNR needed some kind of plan and that plan shows Rum River Drive and 313<sup>th</sup> Avenue. If stopping before 313<sup>th</sup> Avenue does that mean it costs less? Swanson suggested waiting until other board members were present before setting up a committee with the county. He had talked to ANCOM Block and was told the culvert would cost about \$200. All of that dirt to connect to 313<sup>th</sup> Avenue was already part of the plan so the only addition would be the \$200 pipe. Rush/Atwood unanimous to table the setting up of the committee with the county until the June 15<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.

**Announcements:**

- Legal Seminar, Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, Albertville City Hall
- Employee Reviews, Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m.
- MAT Summer Short Course, Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, St. Cloud
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Regular Town Board Meeting Moved to Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>
- MS4 Workshop on the 18<sup>th</sup> of June, 4-7 p.m., Great River Regional Library

**Any Other Business** – Rush suggested to add to the newsletter that the Fire Department is now filling pools.

**Motion to Approve Bills for Payment** – Atwood/Rush unanimous to approve for payment check numbers 19349 through 19359 and 1 EFT payment totaling \$7,153.70 plus check numbers 19360 and 19361 totaling \$393.55 for a grand total of \$7,547.25.

**Adjournment** – Atwood/Rush unanimous to adjourn at 8:12 p.m.

*Cathy Stevens*

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

*Jay Swanson*

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

*6-15-2015*

Date

Attendees: Lester Kriesel, Joe Kiel