

**REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING  
TOWNSHIP OF BALDWIN  
2399-90<sup>TH</sup> AVE., BALDWIN**

August 4, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Douglas Veenendall at 7 PM. Other board members present: Supervisors Don L. Johnson & Joseph Kusilek, Treasurer, Ronda Helgeson and Clerk, James Harer.

Others: Kay Harer, David Niccum, Brit Harmon-Companion Animal Control, Kerri Holmberg-Western WI. Animal Services, Dick Eggen, Greg Schultz, Brian Zimmerman and Kevin Oium-Cedar Corp.

Motion made, seconded and carried to approve agenda as printed.

Minutes to the July 8, 2021, board meeting were read. Motion made by Joseph Kusilek to approve, seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried.

Vendor checks and bank balances were reviewed. Motion by Don L. Johnson to approve vendor checks number 10945 & 10975-11002 for the amount of \$320,665.21. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek, carried by voice vote.

Kevin Ouim of Cedar Corp gave the board an up-date on Rose Lane/70<sup>th</sup> Ave. construction progress. The second asphalt lift should be completed on Thursday. Monarch will shoulder and Mattison will install guardrail. When those are completed Cedar Corp will review the project with the town board and develop a punch list of any items that would need correcting. Cedar anticipates final billing for September with request for payment submitted to the Highway Commissioner and State in September. Payment would take 1-2 months.

Greg Schultz was present to explain his proposed CSM which would create three (3) lots on his property located on the south side of CTH "DD". His next steps will be to contact the County Highway Department Engineer to obtain a driveway permit and St. Croix County for sanitary permits and zoning standards.

Kerri Holmberg from Western Wisconsin Animal Services and Brit Harmon of Companion Animal Control presented the board with information about their services for Humane Officer and animal boarding and adoption. They are fully licensed and accredited to handle all types of animals from dogs, horses and exotic. They gave information on office location and references of municipalities they serve. They are available 24/7/365. They gave board members copies of their contract and would be happy to answer any questions. The board thanked them for coming.

Don L. Johnson moved to continue with the current process of handling variance request to the towns one-hundred-foot setback from road right-of-way for all building permits in the town and proceed with an official "Variance Request Form". Seconded by Joseph Kusilek, carried by voice vote.

Chairman Douglas Veenendall noted some changes to the fire truck purchases that were noted in the July minutes. United Fire & Rescue is now planning to purchase only one fire truck, that would be for the Woodville Station, the second truck planned for Hammond would be delayed by four years. Cost of the Woodville truck would be \$500,000, that would be covered by a loan from the First Bank of Baldwin at 2.85% interest. United Fire & Rescue is proposing a 5% assessment fee for 2022.

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The county has seal coated 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 230<sup>th</sup> Street. Paving on 270<sup>th</sup> St. between USH 12 and 60<sup>th</sup> Ave. are planned for late August. St. Croix County Highway Dept. has given the town estimates on replacement of a box culvert on 90<sup>th</sup> Ave., a culvert replacement on the same road and an arch pipe on 250<sup>th</sup> St. south of CTH "E".

Joseph Kusilek moved to authorize the replacement of the county aid eligible concrete box structure on 90<sup>th</sup> Ave. between 250<sup>th</sup> and 260<sup>th</sup> St. by County Highway forces. Seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried by voice vote.

Motion by Don L. Johnson to have county forces replace the county aid eligible arch pipe on 250<sup>th</sup> St., (.5 miles south/CTH "E") and the cross culvert on 90<sup>th</sup> Ave. (between 250<sup>th</sup> & 260<sup>th</sup> St.) Seconded by Joseph Kusilek, carried by voice vote.

The board will approve the town's three-year road plan and select an LRIP eligible road project next month.

The town has requested quotes for LP Gas service to supply needs at the town shop and hall for the 2021-2022 heating season. The request was published in the Baldwin Bulletin and sent to nine (9) LP suppliers. Seven (7) suppliers responded with per gallon quotes ranging from \$1.299 to \$1.56.

Joseph Kusilek moved to designate Quality Propane & Fuels, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin for 5,000 gallons at \$1.299/gallon as outlined in the service contract. Seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried by voice vote.

Eligible uses for ARPA funds will continue.

Request for WTA district meetings and convention was tabled until September.

The town revised ATV/UTV ordinance and route map were handed out. Reviews will be conducted with a vote for ordinance approval scheduled for September.

Correspondences included St. Croix Electric rebate notice in the amount of \$203.44, copy of Town of Eau Galle Comprehensive Zoning Plan and info on county redistricting.

Future agenda items: Humane officer contract, set-back variance form, ATV/UTV ordinance, WTA meetings, LRIP review, tractor bucket.

Motion by Joseph Kusilek to set the date of Thursday, September 9, 2021 at 7 PM for next meeting. Seconded and carried.

The chair ordered the meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

*(Minutes approved and signed at September 9, 2021 Board Meeting)*

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Douglas Veenendall, Chairman

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James Harer, Clerk