

Village of Baldwin
620 Washington
Baldwin, MI 49304

SPECIAL Council Meeting for June 15, 2020
Location of meeting: Village of Baldwin Hall

FOR THE PURPOSE OF EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK, BUDGET REVIEW/ AMENDMENT, REVENUE CUTS,
AND OTHER MATTERS THAT SHOULD COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Roll call:

present: President J. Truxton, C. Vicent, P. Anderson, T. Lamb, C. Miller

Absent: Mandy Truxton

Meeting was called to order at 5:08 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK:

- Council was presented with a copy of the revised Employee handbook, which had been updated to include various Rules, Laws and definitions. The revision acceptance was moved by C. Vicent, and Supported by P. Anderson, All Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

EMPLOYEE WAGE INCREASES:

- Personnel Committee Chair person P. Anderson, presented the council with a wage increase proposal for the Clerk and Treasurer positions.
The proposal would increase the Clerks hourly wage from \$16.00 to \$19.00 per hour, and increase the monthly stipend to \$50.00, from \$20.00. To become effective 06/05/2020.
Moved by P. Anderson, with support from C. Vicent, a roll call vote was taken. President Truxton, Aye. C. Vicent, Aye, C. Miller, Aye, and P. Anderson, Aye. All Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 absent.
- The proposal also increased the Treasurer's wages to \$18.75 per hour, from \$14.75, and decreased the stipend to \$20.00 per month, from \$70.00. To become effective on 06/05/2020 the motion was made by P. Anderson, with support from C. Miller.
A roll call vote was taken, President Truxton, Aye. C. Vicent, Aye, C. Miller, Aye, and P. Anderson, Aye. All Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 absent.

BUDGET:

- President Truxton reported to the Council his findings of budget cuts within the Act 51 Street Funds, for the remainder of this calendar year, and the next 3 years, stressing that these cuts, will definitely impact the amount of motorized and non- motorized street repairs that will be made this year. However, he met with Gerber Construction to get an estimate of expected costs

Approved
7/13/2020
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per square foot of sidewalk replacement, and reported to the council costs are approx. \$4.00 per square ft., or approx. \$20,000.00 per 1000 Lineal feet.

Council discussed the most needed areas are:

1. Beech-Lynn @100 lineal ft. @ approx. \$2,000.00
2. Lynn – Oak @ 130 Lineal ft. @ approx. \$2600.00
3. Oak – Cherry @ 60 lineal ft. @ approx.\$1200.00

Council also discussed the most needed street repair areas are:

1. 7th St. to Astor road, from Michigan Ave. due to heavy logging, delivery and residential traffic.
2. Denmark St from M-37 past the Grand Oakes Nursing Home. Siting, delivery trucks, and store traffic have caused damage.

3. Prospect from Michigan to Sunset, just worn out.

These streets would be seal coated, and fog sealed. The cost for this type of road construction is approximately \$30,000.00 per mile of street.

President Truxton asked the council to approve the amendment of the anticipated Sewer Fund revenues, reducing the forecasted income by \$141,000.00, to \$688,500.00.

Along with amending the forecasted Local Fund, Major Street Fund, and General Fund, to the anticipated 20% reduction in revenues due to COVID19. A roll call vote was taken, President Truxton, Aye. P. Anderson, Aye. C. Miller, Aye. And C. Vicent. Aye. All Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Tennis Courts: The council revisits the tennis court resurfacing, and ultimately decides the budget can cover the costs less the \$4000.00 grant money. The General Fund will pay approx.\$16,500.00.
- Trustee P. Anderson presented a complaint to the council from Josh Bova, who was delinquent with his water payment that resulted in a late fee, which he was protesting due to the office being closed during the pandemic. Staff explained he could have used the drop box, sent a money order, or simply mailed his payment; therefore, the late fee was due and just. Mr. Bova paid the late fee under protest, and demanded his complaint be brought to the Village Council. The council ultimately voted to charge the fee, due to the various payment options available to Mr. Bova, agreeing everyone else in the Village has coped, he is no exception.

P. Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:05pm, with support from C. Miller. All Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.