# Village of Baldwin 620 Washington Baldwin, MI 49304

Regular Council Meeting for March 8,2021 Location of meeting: Village of Baldwin Hall

Roll call present: President Truxton, P. Anderson, T. Jannereth, C. Vicent, C. Miller, T. Lamb, T. Bramer, M. McClellan

#### Absent: 0

Also in attendance was Village Attorney: David Porteous

- Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.
- Pledge of Allegiance was recited
- Agenda: The agenda was accepted with additions. Amotion was made by P. Anderson, with support by T. Jannereth. All Ayes, O Nays, motion carried.
- Minutes: P. Anderson moved with support from T. Jannereth to accept the meeting minutes from the February Council meeting. All Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

#### **Public Comment:**

Patti Bergman, area resident approached the village council about starting a volunteer group to
organize activities in Hollister Park. The council discussed the options, liability, and other
concerns. Ultimately, the council agreed to Ms. Bergman's request, and gave the idea a solid
backing.

# Commissioner Report

- County Commissioner Len Todd, gave the council a report on the Commissioners Meeting relaying to the council, it was discussed to close Coho Lane to ORV and snowmobile traffic.
- Commissioner Todd would like to personally thank the Village Council for the use of the meeting hall on behalf of the Lake County Sportsman's Club.
- Mr. Todd also asked the council for an update on the 1313 Washington property, and was
  informed that a court order has been issued for the Village to perform the clean up work.

## Financial Report:

C. Vicent made a motion to accept the financial reports for the month of February, with support from T. Jannereth. All Ayes, O Nays, motion carried.

## Payment of Bills:

Members of the council voted to pay the bills for the month of February, with a motion from P. Anderson, and support from C. Miller. A roll call vote was taken. P. Anderson, aye. C. Miller, Aye. C. Vicent, Aye. T. Jannereth, aye. And President Truxton, Aye. There were 0 Nays, and 0 absent. Motion Carried.

#### Attorney's Report:

- The airport mgr. asked to have a letter sent to the state of Michigan, updating the clearance of trees in the glide slope, and request an extension of time for the remainder of property owners to clear the obstructions.
- President Truxton has requested legal work be started on the annexation of 19 acres on S. Astor
- Please see Atty. Report .

Department Heads and Committee Head Reports:

#### Personnel:

Nothing at this time.

#### Building and Grounds:

- Council member P. Anderson requests that repair or removal of the fencing near wellhouse #1.
- 8<sup>TH</sup> ST. BRIDGE UPDATE: The Village Council was asked to approve a \$41,900.00 Fee for engineering, topographic survey of the upper dam and tailrace. Authorization of Clerk or President's signatures on work order.

A motion was made by C. Vicent with support from T. Jannereth. A roll call vote was taken, P. Anderson, Aye. T. Jannereth, Aye. C. Miller, Aye. C. Vicent Aye. And President Truxton, Aye. All Ayes, O Nays, O Absent. Motion Carried.

President Truxton also informed the council, discussions with the DNR are ongoing over the removal, and relocation of the lamprey eel barriers.

#### DDA

• The Downtown Development Authority, has begun preliminary steps toward revitalizing the west side alleyway. It is reported that Consumers Power Company has devised an affordable solution to moving the 3 phase electric poles.

# WWTP/ Water

Please see the monthly report.

# Streets and Equipment:

The Council was asked to approve and authorize the purchase of a John Deere zero turn professional mower. Model Z735MZ, with a total cost of \$7262.42.

A motion was made by P. Anderson, with support from C. Miller. A roll call vote was taken. P. Anderson, Aye., C. Miller, Aye., C. Vicent, Aye. President Truxton, Aye. T. Jannereth, Aye. All Ayes, O Nays, O Absent. Motion carried.

## Budget and Finance:

 President Truxton reported an update on the Village Bond refinancing. He has met with Sue Wyngarden from Varney, and reported savings on current village bonds to be:

Capital Improvement – approx. \$ 4,000.00 per year. Water: approx.- \$13,000.00 per year. Sewer – approx. \$15,000.00 per year.

The Village Council approved the refinancing with a motion from C. Vicent and support from T. Jannereth. A roll call vote was taken. P. Anderson, Aye., C. Vicent, Aye., T. Jannereth, Aye., C. Miller, Aye and President Truxton, Aye. All Ayes, O Nays, O absent. All Ayes, O Nays, motion carried.

#### Planning and Zoning:

- The Village Council was asked to approve the amendment of the Zoning Ordinance to allow residential parking within 300 feet of property. A motion was made by C. Vicent, and supported by P. Anderson. All Ayes, O Nays, motion carried.
- Trustee Charles Mack has resigned from the Village Planning Commission due to health issues.
- The next meeting will be Monday, March 15, 2021 at 7:00pm.

# Office Manager:

Nothing at this time.

#### Ordinance Enforcement:

- Officer Bramer reports he is working on the 3 former fire dept. offices, one will become his office, one a records room, and the other for mapping storage.
- The VOB I.T. pro has upgraded the former FD computer, and will network it to the system when the equipment arrives.

Please see Ordinance Enforcement Report for more information.

There was no New or Old business to discuss at the time of the meeting, therefore, a motion to adjourn the meeting by C. Miller, was supported by P. Anderson. All Ayes, O Nays. Motion carried.

Next Regular Meeting is: April 12,2021 @ 6:00pm