

Village of Baldwin
620 Washington
Baldwin, MI 49304

Regular Council Meeting for December 12, 2022
Location of meeting: Village of Baldwin Hall

Roll call: President Truxton, T. Jannereth, C. Vicent, C. Miller, and T. Lamb-Clerk

Absent: P. Anderson

Meeting was called to order at 5:58pm.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Also in attendance: Village Attorney, David Porteous

Agenda:

- C. Vicent moved to approve the agenda. Supported by T. Jannereth, All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Minutes:

- Minutes from the November 14, 2022 meeting were approved with a motion from C. Miller, and supported by T. Jannereth. All Ayes, motion carried.

Financial Report:

Financial reports were accepted for the month of November, 2022. C. Vicent, moved, with support from C. Miller. A roll call vote was taken. President Truxton, Aye., T. Jannereth, Aye., C. Miller, Aye., C. Vicent, Aye. All Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 absent. Motion Carri Public Comments:

Public Comment:

*OLD BUSINESS:

- Harold Nichols was given the floor to plead his case to the Council, over the boulders he had placed in the street right of way along the corner of Lake and Norway Street. The boulders were removed by the LCRC, after the Village sent notices to Mr. Nichols, explaining the boulders were a traffic hazard, and an impediment to the LCRC, for street maintenance. Although Mr. Nichols emphatically denied ever receiving the notices, he explained to the council, ORV, snowmobiles, and other vehicles were cutting the corner and driving across his property, and that the traffic in turn, was running over the Village storm drainage infrastructure. He claimed, he was merely trying to eliminate liability and damage.

After a brief discussion, the council made the decision to have the boulders returned to Mr. Nichols property, and to have a survey done so Mr. Nichols would have a clear understanding where the road right of way is in that portion of the Village. The council wanted Mr. Nichols to have a clear understanding that the boulders would not be placed in the road right of way, and if Village officials found the boulders moved back into the right of way, they would be removed permanently.

The council voted to approve the decision with a motion from T. Jannereth, and support from C. Vicent. The vote was all Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 absent. The motion was carried.

Sheriff Report:

- Sheriff Martin was not in attendance.

Attorney Report:

- Attorney Porteous had nothing new to report at this time.

Payment of Bills:

- The bills were presented to the Village Council for payment for the month of November, 2022, a motion was made by T. Jannereth, and supported by C. Miller. A roll call vote was taken. President Truxton, Aye., C. Miller, Aye T. Jannereth, Aye. All Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 absent, Motion carried.

Commissioners Report:

- Commissioner Todd did not attend the meeting.

Building and Grounds:

Airport:

- Damaged plane is being taken apart, and will soon be removed from Airport property.
- Attorney Porteous suggests the Village make a resolution to impress fee's for airport storage/special circumstance fees, and manager McClellan to enforce the fee schedule that is agreed upon.
The council will consider the suggestion.

Parks/Rec

- Nothing new to report at this time.

DDA:

- The DDA was pleased to announce the west alleyway project has been settled \$52,000.00 under bid. The DDA will begin research on new projects for the funds.

Water & Wastewater:

- President Truxton briefed the council on the current status of the loss of revenues since the prison closed, and informed the members, he is waiting for the rate study to be completed, and warned, there may be monthly service fees imposed on Webber and Yates Townships for the treatment of sewage flows from the townships.
- Please see the O & M report from IAI personnel.

Planning and Zoning:

- Nothing new to report at this time.

Equipment & Streets:

- President Truxton updates the council on the bridge project, explaining that all entities involved, are working diligently to get a schedule from Consumers Power Company to move the high-tension pole, that is holding up the bridge building progress.
- He also informs the council the bonding for “soft costs” for the bridge are underway.

Personnel:

- Nothing new at this time.

Budget & Finance:

- Budget Amendments were presented to the council for approval. The Clerk explained the various amendments, and answered questions from the council before the approval motion was made by T. Jannereth, and supported by C. Vicent. A roll call vote was taken. President Truxton, Aye., T. Jannereth, Aye., C. Miller, Aye., C. Vicent, Aye. All ayes, 0 Nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Clerk:

- Nothing at this time.

Ordinance Enforcement Report:

- Please see written report.

New Business:

- Nothing at this time.

Council Comments:

- Council had no additional comments.

Adjournment:

- At 8:00 pm, a motion to adjourn was made by C. Miller, with support from C. Vicent. All Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, Motion carried.

- NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: JANUARY 9, 2023 @ 6:00 PM

Meeting Minutes taken and typed by

Village Clerk, Theresa Lamb