

Village of Baldwin  
620 Washington  
Baldwin, MI 49304

Regular Council Meeting for April 10, 2023  
Location of meeting: Village of Baldwin Hall

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

Absent: T. Jannereth

Meeting was called to order at 5:58pm PM.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Also in attendance: Sheriff Martin

Agenda:

- P. Anderson moved to approve the agenda. Supported by C. Miller. All Ayes, 0 Nays 1 Absent Motion Carried.

Minutes:

- Minutes from the March 13, 2023 meeting were approved with a motion from P. Anderson, and supported by C. Vicent. All Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

Financial Report:

- Financial reports were accepted for the month of March 2023. P. Anderson moved, with support from C. Miller. A roll call vote was taken. President Truxton, Aye, C. Miller, Aye., C. Vicent, Aye, and P. Anderson, Aye. All Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 absent. Motion Carried.

Public Comments:

- There were no public in attendance.

Sheriff Report:

- Sheriff Martin reported to the Village Council, former Deputy Reserve Officer Dr. Pressley "Doc" passed away, and will be sorely missed by the dept, and all who knew him.
- The sheriff also gave an update on the TRV center, there have been talks, of possibly becoming a Regional Facility, which would mean intake from other areas of the state. the management of facility may fall to the County, State, or Court system. There will need to be extensive

renovations to the building, Grant applications to the state have begun, in hopes of acquiring approx. \$10,000,000.00 to complete the necessary renovations, and begin staffing the facility.

- Sheriff Martin also reported the merging of Elk, Sauble and Eden Townships fire departments. And the opening of a “Base” Department, with the original departments becoming substations
- The sheriff also stated there will be reserve deputies heading for 120 hour training classes, giving the department extra man power to police the growing ORV trails, and the ability to write citations when necessary.
- He also commented about the recent fatal car crash in Chase, and the addition of speed control, equipment, that allows the department to photo, document and follow up on offenders. There will be more control equipment set ups in the near future.

#### Attorney Report:

- There were no attorneys in attendance.

#### Commissioner Welford:

- Commented on new speed control devices.
- Wondered why striping on Mich. Ave was changed when it got paved. President Truxton explained it was to slow traffic, statistics show merging into one lane through a busy section of town, has greatly reduced accidents and pedestrian injuries.
- Commissioner Welford discussed with the council the need to change speed limits, or stop signage on the east side of 8<sup>th</sup> St. Bridge, to slow traffic through the curves leading up to the new bridge, when it opens.

#### Payment of Bills:

- The bills were presented to the Village Council for payment for the month of March, 2023, a motion was made by C. Vicent, and supported by C. Miller. A roll call vote was taken. President Truxton, Aye., C. Miller, Aye, P. Anderson, Aye and C. Vicent Aye. All Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 absent, Motion carried.

#### Building and Grounds:

- Airport Manager Mac McClellan was not in attendance.
- The application for the State SPARK Grant is still on going. The grant will allow for the Village of Baldwin to make upgrades and changes to the parks and recreational facilities.

#### DDA:

- Working through deed issues on 902 Michigan St., and the promise of improvements to the property, in the “DDA Visioning” Administration, yet to be chosen.
- The DDA has ordered an Environmental Assessment for the 902 Michigan property.

- **The Village Council has approved the appointment of Andrew Gremel to fill a vacant position on the DDA board, with a term expiring in June of 2026.** A motion from P. Anderson, and support from C. Miller, brought a vote of all Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Water & Wastewater:

- Please see written report.

Planning and Zoning:

- Next regular meeting will be April 17, 2023 @ 7:00pm.

Equipment & Streets:

- The 8<sup>th</sup> Street bridge replacement is about halfway through construction, with footings and abutments completed. The actual crossing beams are scheduled to be set April 21<sup>st</sup>.
- President Truxton is expecting a quote from Reith Riley Asphalt company for the complete milling, shaping and paving a stretch of pavement from Cherry St, beyond 52<sup>nd</sup> St. on Carrs Rd.

Personnel:

- Nothing at this time.

Budget & Finance:

- Nothing at this time.

Ordinance Enforcement Report:

- Ordinance Enforcement Officer Tim Jannereth was not in attendance.
- Please see the written report.

Old Business:

- President Truxton presented a **Resolution of Intention** to the council, which will start the **process of vacating several dead ends, "streets" between the RR tracks, and Cherry St. those right-of-way's will be divided into the property on either side of the abandoned streets.** **A motion to approve the resolution was made by P. Anderson, and supported by C. Vicent, the vote to approve was all Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 absent. Motion Carried.**

New Business:

- Nothing at this time.

Council Comments:

None at this time.

Adjournment:

- At 7:45pm, 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: May 8, 2023 @ 6:00pm

Meeting Minutes taken and typed by

Village Clerk, Theresa Lamb

