BARTON VILLAGE INC. MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES DRAFT MINUTES

August 12, 2019 6 PM

PRESENT: Nate Sicard, Cathy Swain, Tin (Justin) Barton-Caplin, Kate Kran, Andy Sicard, Denis Fortin

Call to Order: Called to order by NS at 6:00 p.m.

- A. Changes to Agenda / Additions or Deletions
 - a. CS motioned to add Hydro Project, JBC seconded. Unanimous approval.
- B. Meeting Minutes July 22, 2019 Minutes
 - a. JBC motioned to table until next meeting, CS seconded. Unanimous approval.
- C. Privilege of the Floor
 - a. None
- D. Old Business
 - a. Water / Sewer Account Collection Policy
 - i. JBC motioned to table, CS seconded. Unanimous approval.
- E. New Business
 - a. VT Trappers Association Request for Fairgrounds Annual Shooting Event
 - i. CS motioned to approve request, JBC seconded. Unanimous approval.
 - b. Pageant Park Rates for 2020
 - CS motioned to keep the 2020 Pageant Park rates the same as 2019 rates, JBC seconded. Unanimous approval.
 - c. Winter Plowing Agreements (Town & VTrans)
 - i. Discussion of conversations with VTrans & Town
 - ii. VTrans requested that the Village develop a 5 year strategic plan to help guide future decision making related to its highway infrastructure

F. Other

- a. Approval of Bills, Warrants, and previous Warrants signed.
 - i. JBC motioned to approve bills, warrants, and previous warrants signed, CS seconded. Unanimous approval.
- b. Electric
 - i. Budget Change Request
 - 1. CS motioned to approve electric dept budget change request as presented, JBC seconded. Unanimous approval.
 - ii. Consider Executing LIHI Agreement for LIHI Cert.
 - 1. Discussion of the agreement
 - 2. Concerns raised about not knowing values of fees
 - 3. JBC motioned to approve and authorize NS to execute LIHI agreement, CS seconded. Unanimous approval.
 - iii. VPPSA Board Input

- 1. JBC discussed upcoming VPPSA meeting on September 24 that would require BVI input
- 2. JBC will draft responses for input by other Trustees

iv. Hydro Projects

- Denis Fortin shared with Trustees some of the upcoming hydro projects (i.e. hydro gate) and asked about major projects that may need capital budgeting (i.e. roof)
- 2. Discussion of need to build a prioritized project lists (including projects needed to be VOSHA compliant)
- 3. Discussion of the need to capture projects into the 2020 budget which would start to be developed in September.
- c. Trustee Mail
 - i. None
- d. Office / Facilities
 - i. Door Replacement
 - 1. Update on recommendations
 - ii. VOSHA Compliance, DPW's current HAZCOM Policy, NEPPA Training
 - 1. Discussion of VOSHA compliance concerns
 - a. DPW Foreman & Hydro Facility Manager are addressing compliance issues
 - 2. Discussion of NEPPA Training & Resources Available
 - Trustees were very supportive of sending staff to NEPPA training that was required or highly desirable to ensure safetyespecially for newer staff
 - b. Trustees were also very supportive of identifying "refresher trainings" that could be led or coordinated by BVI staff.
 - CS motioned to formally adopt the current Hazard Communication & Chemical Safety Policy in use by the DPW Foremen, JBC seconded. Unanimous approval.
 - a. Brief discussion that the custodial contractor needs to provide names of cleaning chemicals to be added to the data safety sheets.

G. Executive Session:

- a. JBC motioned to enter Executive Session at 7:42 pm with Kate Kran & Andy Sicard to discuss personnel issues, CS seconded. Unanimous approval.
- b. CS motioned to exit Executive Session at 8:21 p.m., JBC seconded. Unanimous approval.
- c. JBC motioned to approve permanently lay off the full-time Highway Equipment Operator position effective 11/08/2019 and in compliance with both the CBA & the March 2018 Joint Governmental Operations Memorandum of Agreement with IBEW, CS seconded. Unanimous approval.
- H. Adjourn: JBC motioned to adjourn at 9:23 p.m., JBC seconded. Unanimous approval.

Date of Next Meetings: August 26, 2019
Submitted by Tin (Justin) Barton-Caplin Board Clerk
Attested by Shelia Martin Village Clerk