

BARTON VILLAGE INC.  
MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES  
DRAFT MINUTES  
August 8, 2022 6 PM

PRESENT: Nate Sicard, Tin Barton-Caplin, Jackie Laurion, Chris Recchia (via zoom), Patty Richards (via zoom), Tim Dagesse, Jeramiah Borsoi

NS called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

- A. Changes to Agenda / Additions or Deletions
  - a. None
- B. Meeting Meetings – July 25, 2022
  - a. JBC motioned to approve the July 25, 2022 Meeting minutes, JL seconded. Unanimously approved.
- C. Privilege of the Floor
  - a. None
- D. Old Business
  - a. None
- E. New Business
  - a. VT Trappers – Black Powder Event Approval at Fairgrounds
    - i. Fire Arm Permit Requested for Sept 24<sup>th</sup> / 25<sup>th</sup>
    - ii. Insurance rider in place and a range safety officer present
    - iii. JBC motioned to approve the fire arm permit request for Sept 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> as requested by VT Trappers, JL seconded. Unanimous approval.
  - b. Department Rental Agreements
    - i. Discussed recommended rental agreement changes requested by Crystal
    - ii. Trustees decided not to make any changes this year except deleting the inflation language
    - iii. JBC motioned to approve the 2022 Rental Agreements, JL seconded. Unanimously approved.
  - c. Tax Rate Approval
    - i. JBC motioned to approve the Tax Rate as presented (see below), JL seconded. Unanimously approved.
      - 1. General Fund – 0.1604
      - 2. Highway 0.7816
      - 3. Water 0.1232
      - 4. Wastewater 0.1065
      - 5. Approximate Total Rate 1.717
- F. Other
  - a. Approval of Bills, Warrants, and previous Warrants signed
    - i. JBC motioned to approve bills, warrants, and previous warrants signed, JL seconded. Unanimous approval.

- b. Trustee Mail
  - i. None
- c. Office / Facilities / Operations
  - i. Electric Department
    - 1. Consider proposal for contract and field services
  - ii. Water / Sewer
    - 1. Consider hiring DPW Utility Worker (interview)
  - iii. Highway
    - 1. Paving Schedule Update
      - a. Paving is scheduled to start tomorrow but may be delayed.
    - 2. USDA Grant Award for Salt/Sand Storage/Engineering Agreement / Funding Allocation /Zoning Permit Application
      - a. 1. NS indicated that we're waiting for the obligation paperwork for the grant award. NS explained that the engineering agreement will include Ruggles Engineering with \$0 costs.
      - b. JBC motioned to authorize Nate to execute the obligation paperwork, JL seconded. Unanimously approved.
      - c. JBC motioned to authorize Nate Sicard to execute the zoning permit application for an accessory structure, JL seconded. Unanimously approved.
      - d. Discussion of the need to finalize funding allocations from the budgets / funding sources. NS would like to use ARPA funding for some costs.
  - iv. Other / Memorial Building/Parks
    - 1. Consider purchase of storage container for BMB garage clean out / ARPA funds for storage container
    - 2. JBC motioned to authorize Andy to purchase a 20 ft storage container from Morningstar Farms for \$4250; JL seconded. Unanimously approved.
    - 3. Sale Documents for 142 Main St Sale (contract related)
      - a. NS will follow up with Carolyn to move forward.
      - b. JBC motioned to authorize the Board to execute the deed if the buyer requires no changes, JL seconded. Unanimously approved.
    - 4. Seasonal Camping Policy
      - a. JBC motion to approve the updated seasonal camping policy effective May 30, 2022, JL seconded. Unanimously approved.

G. Executive Session:

- a. JBC motioned to enter Executive Session at 7:05 p.m. to discuss personnel issues & contracts where the premature disclosure would be put the Village at significant disadvantage with Chris Recchia & Patty Richards, JL seconded. Unanimously approved.
- b. Tim Dagesse & Jeramiah Borsoi joined at 7:52 p.m.

- c. JBC motioned to exit Executive Session at 8:50 p.m., JL seconded. Unanimously approved.
  - d. JBC motioned to authorize Patty & Chris to accept Part 2 of VPPSA's August 5, 2022 proposal for interim electric line work maintenance, meter reading and other operation services as well as after hour and outage services as provided in the proposal to begin Friday 8/12/2022 at 3:31 pm upon the expiration of services currently provided by VEC. Trustees also authorize Patty & Chris to negotiate contract terms with VPPSA for up to 60 days in an effort to reach a final agreement for operation services intended to begin during or after the interim period, subject to Village of Barton Trustee approval.
  - e. JBC motioned to extend an employment offer for the DPW Utility Worker at an hourly rate of \$25.58 to Jeramiah Borsoi, JL seconded. Unanimously approved.
  - f. JBC motioned to authorize Tim to pursue the apprentice program through Rural Water, JL seconded. Unanimously approved.
- H. Adjourn: JBC motioned to adjourn at 9:04 pm., JL seconded. Unanimous approval.

Date of Next Meetings: August 22, 2022.

Submitted by Tin (Justin) Barton-Caplin | Board Clerk

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Attested by Shelia Martin | Village Clerk