

This Special Meeting was called on Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> and was posted around the Village, on the website, and was published in the Union Sun & Journal.



## VILLAGE OF BARKER SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

September 5, 2015  
9:00am

Mayor Aaron Nellist  
Deputy Mayor Janice M. Rider  
Trustee Gregory P. Kerth  
Trustee Scott Matheis  
Trustee Kimberly Ruffini

In **Attendance:** Gordon Porter and Grace Bodine

Mayor Nellist opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 9:00am.

### **The Remaining Parcel of the East Avenue Property was discussed**

**This parcel is 4.33 acres that has 3 cement block, 1 story dormitory buildings that all together equal approximately 8,100 sq. ft. and a 16'x20' open air pavilion. Zoned Industrial.**

- Selling a parcel of land does not require Planning Board approval, The Planning Board may become involved when a site plan has been received to review it and offer opinions On Friday, September 4<sup>th</sup> interest was expressed by another party regarding the East Avenue Property. Due to this development, our legal counsel was contacted as to the proper procedure of how to entertain multiple offers on the property. It was advised that the Board of Trustees develop a notice which will give specifics about the property, the current condition, what expenses will be covered by the Village and the seller, what is expected when an offer is submitted and how long of a period offers will be expected. The notice will posted around the Village, on the website and published in the Union Sun & Journal. The notice will be written by the Clerk-Treasurer and then will be approved by the Board of Trustees before it's distributed to the public. Plans, Offers and Site Maps will be due by October 5, 2015 by Noon.

### **A discussion about selling the entire parcel versus just the land with the dormitories ensued.**

Pros and Cons were brought up for each scenario, but the overwhelming issue of developing the needed infrastructure to sell the land, if separated, was not and will not be feasible by the Village to undertake. It lacks an access road, water, sewer and electricity and the costs associated with providing these necessary utilities would not be feasible. By selling the entire parcel it will all be back on the tax rolls, as well.

A **motion to sell the entire parcel of land, 4.33 acres**, was made by Trustee Kerth and seconded by Deputy Mayor Rider. A unanimous vote followed to carry the motion.

### **East Avenue Property Appraisal Quotes**

Shell Associates	Batavia, NY	\$1,200.00
North Eastern Appraisal	Amherst, NY	\$1,750.00
Girasole Appraisal Assoc.	Niagara Falls, NY	\$1,750.00
Bronstein Appraisal Services	Buffalo, NY	\$2,000.00
GAR Associates	Amherst, NY	\$2,400.00

These quotes were just to show the cost of what an appraisal would cost, due to the cost of the appraisal it was advised by our Legal Counsel to establish fair market value by receiving multiple offers and then through a resolution declaring the value of the property.

**The 1924-1941 Minute book has been shipped to begin its restoration and preservation.** To get the book microfilmed it will cost an extra \$175.00. A motion to approve the extra cost associated with the Minute Book Restoration was motioned for approval by Trustee Ruffini and a second was offered by Deputy Mayor Rider. All voted aye to carry the motion.

**Public Comment** was offered by:

Gordon Porter: Thanked for the Board for doing a good job. He also expressed how much he loves living in this beautiful little village and that the Police patrols are great.

Grace Bodine: Informed the Board about a dead tree in her yard that was planted there because it would have compromised the water and sewer lines if it had been planted in between the road and the sidewalk. She expressed that she would not pay to have the tree taken down, but wouldn't mind if someone we knew would do it, i.e. National grid. This information will be passed on to Mark Remington.

**Board Comment** was offered by:

Trustee Matheis: He inquired about the trees that were tagged on Pallister. He was pleasantly surprised to learn that they will be taken down by the National Grid Forestry division for free.

A **motion to adjourn at 9:40am** was made by Trustee Kerth and a second was offered by Deputy Mayor Rider. A unanimous vote followed to carry the motion.

**Next meeting is the Monthly Board Meeting, Monday, September 14, 2015 @ 7:00pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda M. Detschner  
Clerk-Treasurer