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VILLAGE OF BARKER SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

April 23, 2019
6:30pm @ Barker Lion's Club

Mayor Aaron Nellist
Deputy Mayor Seanna Corwin-Bradley
Trustee R. James Baker
Trustee Aaron Davis
Trustee Benjamin Seward

In **Attendance:** DPW Superintendent Mark Remington, Paul Chatfield of MRB Group, Kathie Smith & Jon Hotaling

The meeting was opened at 6:30pm with the Pledge of Allegiance administered by Mayor Nellist.

A brief presentation from Paul Chatfield, MRB Group proposed programming phase report of the new Village Hall & Library building, as well as preliminary building design. The overall layout was nice with a well thought out design, but some changes are going to have to be made going further. Estimated costs were presented, as well. In order to give the Village a good idea of what to expect going forward and a price per square foot to keep in mind. As stated before this is a working document that will be amended as needed.

An Introduction of Local Law #1-2019 was given by Mayor Nellist.

A Local Law Modifying the Residency Requirement for Deputy Village Clerk/Treasurer in the Village of Barker.

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Barker as follows:

Article III of Chapter 65 of the Code of the Village of Barker is hereby adopted as follows:

ARTICLE III Deputy Village Clerk/Treasurer

§ 65-3. Residency in Niagara or Orleans County required.

The Deputy Village Clerk/Treasurer of the Village of Barker need not reside within the Village of Barker but must reside within the County of Niagara, State of New York, or County of Orleans, State of New York.

§ 65-4. Supersession of State laws.

This Article supersedes Village Law § 3-300, subdivision 2 and Public Officers Law § 3, subdivision 1 and § 30, subdivision (1)(d).

§ 65-5. Statutory authority.

This Article is enacted pursuant to the New York State Constitution, Article IX, Section 2(c)(1) and Municipal Home Rule Law § 10, subdivisions 1(ii)(a)(1) and 1(ii)(e)(3).

A motion to move forward with Local Law #1-2019 was motioned for approval by Deputy Mayor Corwin-Bradley and was seconded by Trustee Davis.

The previous was ADOPTED. AYES-5-Nellist, Corwin-Bradley, Baker, Seward, Davis NAYS-0/None Motioned Carried.

A motion to set the Public Hearing Date for Local Law #1-2019 for May 13, 2019 @ 7:00pm at the Barker Fire Hall was made by Deputy Mayor Corwin-Bradley and was seconded by Trustee Baker.

The previous was ADOPTED. AYES-5-Nellist, Corwin-Bradley, Baker, Seward, Davis NAYS-0/None Motioned Carried.

A motion to Appoint Kathie Smith to Part Time Typist position at the rate of \$12.00/hr was made by Trustee Davis and was seconded by Deputy Mayor Corwin-Bradley.

The previous was ADOPTED. AYES-5-Nellist, Corwin-Bradley, Baker, Seward, Davis NAYS-0/None Motioned Carried.

The Clerk-Treasurer gave an update on the document database from Document Reprocessors in which she was able to go through the data base presented and is waiting on the documents that she needed more information on before they could be identified and labeled a retention. Also a list of documents for early destruction has been submitted to NYS Archives for review and permission. The contents claim for the Village Hall has been finalized with NFA and has been submitted to the insurance company.

Resolution #18-2019

Authorization to assign Deputy Mayor Seanna Corwin-Bradley as NYPA LED Smart Street lighting point person/contract signer

WHEREAS, the Village of Barker is pursuing the purchasing of the street lights owned by National Grid within the Village limits in order to be able to convert them to LED; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has recused himself of any discussions, meeting attendance and contract executions due to his employment at the NYS Canal Authority, which is overseen by NYPA;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Barker hereby appoints Deputy Mayor Seanna Corwin-Bradley as the lead point person/contract signer pertaining to the NYPA LED Smart Street lighting initiative.

A motion to adopt Resolution #18-2019 was made by Trustee Baker and was seconded by Trustee Seward.

The previous was ADOPTED. AYES-4- Corwin-Bradley, Baker, Seward, Davis NAYS-0/None ABSTAIN-1-Nellist Motioned Carried.

Trustee Davis gave a brief overview of the NYPA agreements. MCRA is a non-binding agreement that is referred to in all subsequent agreements moving forward with NYPA. The Authorization to Proceed does commit the Village to pay for the design phase if we don't move forward with the project.

A motion to approve the NYPA Master Cost Recovery Agreement (MCRA) was made by Trustee Seward and was seconded by Trustee Davis.

The previous was ADOPTED. AYES-4- Corwin-Bradley, Baker, Seward, Davis NAYS-0/None ABSTAIN-1-Nellist
Motioned Carried.

A motion to approve the NYPA Authorization to Proceed Agreement was made by Trustee Davis and was seconded by Trustee Baker.

The previous was ADOPTED. AYES-4- Corwin-Bradley, Baker, Seward, Davis NAYS-0/None ABSTAIN-1-Nellist
Motioned Carried.

DPW Superintendent Mark Remington gave a brief update on the water leak at the end of Main & East Avenue. Two contractors have expressed interest and are coming out to give us pricing. It is not ground water because he had the water tested for fluoride and it had high fluoride content. Rural Water leak detection has been out twice and we are still unsure where exactly it's coming from. Mayor Nellist asked to be kept informed and we can have a meeting if we need to execute an agreement.

Public Comment was offered by:

Jon Hotaling: Inquired about when the Village Hall & Library fire scene would be cleaned up. Mayor Nellist stated that we do not have a cause from Cause & Origin. Mr. Hotaling stated he thinks the Village should address the Code Enforcement violations because there are many properties that are undesirable. Mr. Hotaling stated that he attended the Disaster Preparedness briefing about the rising waters of Lake Ontario. The situation could become similar to the spring of 2017.

Board Comment was offered by:

Trustee Davis: Inquired if we could put a sign on Quaker Road to indicate where the new temporary location of the Barker Public Library is. The sign has been ordered through the NC Sign shop. Trustee Davis also gave a brief overview of the tree care educational seminar that Tree man Tom (Tom Poczewski Jr.) is looking to do in the park on Main Street. Trustee Davis asked us about the dead ash trees from the Ash bore, National Grid has sent out a person to identify dead ash trees on property and have them removed.

Trustee Seward: the picnic tables are ready to be picked up and taken to the Lake Park. Everyone expressed thanks for donating the time to make them and the materials. Trustee Davis helped build them, as well.

Mayor Nellist: Asked Deputy Mayor Corwin-Bradley to email him the next time the Library Board meets.

Work Session: Monday, May 6, 2019 at 6:00pm @ the Police Station

Monthly Board Meeting: Monday, May 13, 2019 at 7:00pm @ the Barker Fire Hall

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda M. Detschner, CMC, RMC, CMFO
Clerk-Treasurer