

A work session was not held this month due to the Columbus Day Holiday, which the Board Meeting was moved to the date of the work session.

VILLAGE OF BARKER BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES



October 5, 2020 7:00PM
@ Barker Fire Hall

Mayor Aaron Nellist
Deputy Mayor Seanna Corwin-Bradley
Trustee R. James Baker
Trustee Aaron Davis
Trustee Jordan Gow

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS IN PLACE: MASKS WORN, HAND SANITIZER AVAILABLE, SOCIAL DISTANCING & DISINFECTING AFTER USE

In **Attendance:** American Legion representatives Larry Dent & Jon Hotaling, Neal Gordon
Mark Remington and Jennifer Mason was absent from the meeting.

At 7:00pm meeting was called to order by Mayor Nellist by administering the Pledge of Allegiance.

The **Sales tax** received for September 2020 was \$10,939.03 a decrease of \$1,048.18 from September 2019.
A year to date decrease in Sales Tax of \$6,867.35 from 2019 due to COVID-19.

The **Approval of Minutes** for the monthly board meeting held September 14, 2020 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, Davis, Gow NAY-0/None Motion Carried.

American Legion Post #425 representatives John Hotaling & Larry Dent regarding the Hometown Hero’s project of installing banners along Quaker Road and Main Street. The program would be the exact same program that Middleport, Medina & other municipalities have. The size will be 30x60 purchased through Riley Outdoor Décor and would hang from Memorial Day to Veteran’s Day, the approximate life cycle is 3 years based on weather conditions. Approval would have to be granted from National Grid to place the hardware and hang the banners, which the Village already renews its permission annually. Applications will be accepted until January 1st. This gives the company 6 weeks lead time to get the banners made and in hand to be hung for Memorial Day. Mayor Nellist is thrilled with the program and glad to see it come to fruition. Deputy Mayor Seanna Corwin-Bradley asked what Veteran’s would be honored and the answer was all Veteran’s be it deceased, MIA/KIA, active duty or honorably discharged. An application is available at the Town of Somerset Town Hall, the Village of Barker Village Hall & on our website. Trustee Gow stated he thought this program will be beneficial to our community in a positive way, while honoring our Veteran’s. Mayor Nellist concluded by adding that the price is good and that this will be remarkable for our community.

Health Insurance Renewal- December 1, 2020

BCBS WNY Platinum Align Tiered Plus

	<u>2019 Cost:</u>	<u>2020 Cost:</u>
Employee	\$566.77	\$609.65
Individual & Children	\$963.51	\$1,036.41
Individual & Spouse	\$1,133.52	\$1,219.30
Family	\$1,615.28	\$1,737.50
TOTAL MONTHLY	\$2,748.80	\$2,438.60

*decrease due to both employees on the Individual & Spouse plan for the renewal

A **motion to renew the BCBS WNY Platinum Align Tiered Plus health insurance for Dec.1, 2020-November 30, 2021** was made by Trustee Baker and was seconded by Deputy Mayor Corwin-Bradley.

The previous was ADOPTED. AYES-5-Nellist, Corwin-Bradley, Baker, Davis, Gow NAY-0/None Motion Carried.

Dumpster Quotes for service beginning January 1, 2021

Modern Disposal- \$191.00/ month + \$75.00 per extra pick up requested = Annual base cost of \$2,292.00
Modern’s quote is for what the Village currently has, an 8 cubic yard front load dumpster serviced once a week
Crago, Inc.- \$325.00/ month (10 cubic yard roll off dumpster with a 2 ton limit) = Annual base cost \$3,900.00
Waste Management- would not quote due to not offering this service in our area

A discussion ensued about why we need to procure a dumpster separate from our refuse contract. Since the Village joined the Niagara Solid Waste Consortium in this new refuse contract that will begin January 1,2020, a dumpster was no longer included. A **motion to accept the quote from Modern Disposal** was made by Trustee Davis and was seconded by Trustee Gow.

The previous was ADOPTED. AYES-5-Nellist, Corwin-Bradley, Baker, Davis, Gow NAY-0/None Motion Carried.

Purchase of 96 gallon Refuse Carts to comply with new Refuse Contract that begins Jan. 1, 2020.

CASCADE CART SOLUTIONS								
	Estimated Quantity	Town Seal Flat Rate	Unit Rate per 95-gallon cart	Unit Rate per 64-gallon cart	Assembly and Distribution	Freight (\$2,338 per load [580 carts/load])	COST PER CART	SUM
Barker	275	included	\$42.99	\$39.18	\$8.82	\$4.03	\$55.84	\$15,356

REHRIG-PACIFIC								
	Estimated Quantity	Town Seal Flat Rate	Unit Rate per 95-gallon cart	Unit Rate per 64-gallon cart	Assembly and Distribution	Freight	COST PER CART	SUM
Barker	275	\$500	\$42.04	\$38.00	\$4.65	included	\$46.93	\$12,905.75

Carts will be distributed around in Early November.
A **motion to purchase the 96 gallon refuse carts from Rehrig-Pacific for a total cost of \$12,905.75** was made by Trustee Davis and was seconded by Deputy Mayor Corwin-Bradley.
The previous was ADOPTED. AYES-5-Nellist, Corwin-Bradley, Baker, Davis, Gow NAY-0/None Motion Carried.

- The **Clerk-Treasurer’s Financial** Reports were reviewed and accepted by the Board of Trustees.
- ✓ Fall 2020 newsletter will be ready to mail by October 14th, please submit any articles you wish to be included by Oct.7th
 - ✓ Water bills for 3rd QTR 2020 will be mailed on October 9th and will be due by November 10th, 2020 without penalty
Due to changes in the Public Service Law [§89-b](#) and [§89-l](#), prohibits water works corporations and municipalities from disconnecting residential customers for nonpayment during the COVID-19 state of emergency and offer the option to enter into a Deferred Payment Agreement for 180 days after the SOE is lifted (Oct.4th). The Law requires written notification be mailed, as well as notice on Village website.
 - ✓ Any remaining unpaid property taxes as of October 30, 2020 will be re-levied onto the Town/County Tax Roll for collection in January 2021
 - ✓ Village Hall will be CLOSED Wednesday, October 7th so C/T can attend the NYCOM Executive Committee Retreat on behalf of the NYSACVC in Skaneateles, Monday, October 12th in observance of Columbus Day, Tuesday, November 3rd for Election Day and Wednesday, November 11th in observance of Veteran’s Day
 - ✓ Working on getting a bond to go along with the National Grid purchase agreement for the LED Smart Streetlighting project, once this is sent into National Grid they have 45 days to execute then it will be forwarded to the Public Service Commission for approval, which can take up to 60 more days. Once the project is approved it should be 6 months until completion.

The **Public Works Report** was reviewed and accepted by the Board of Trustees.
6% water loss for 3rd QTR 2020- July-September 2020

No **Code Enforcement Report** was submitted.
1 permit issued- an extension to a shed
Mayor Nellist stated that there are a couple code enforcement issues on Main Street.

The **Police Report** was reviewed and accepted by the Board of Trustees.
Mayor Nellist stated the pistol permit classes have been a huge success and that Chief Braughler has been asked to give Village residents preference when seating these classes.

Correspondence: National Grid- COVID-19 update on business operations
Blue Cross & Blue Shield of WNY Health Insurance Renewal Information
Barker Public Library- MOU submitted September 15, 2020
ARGO Group letter- Village Hall/Library Fire- September 11, 2020
Public Service Commission- National Grid Rate increase comment period
NYS Dept. of Labor Unemployment Notice
NC Gallonage Report

A brief discussion regarding the Library MOU ensued. Mayor Nellist will reach out to counsel to discuss this agreement further. A special meeting may need to be held to review what counsel advises regarding the MOU.

Approval of Claims and Bill Payment: Abstract 005 Voucher #'s 134-158 H3-Voucher # 38
General Fund-\$2,443.61 Water Fund-\$3,258.49 T&A Fund-\$1,400.00 H3 Fund-\$1,500.00 TOTAL \$8,602.10
A **motion to approve the above audited claims and bill payment by the entire Board of Trustees** was motioned for approval by Deputy Mayor Corwin-Bradley and was seconded by Trustee Baker.
The previous was ADOPTED. AYES-5-Nellist, Corwin-Bradley, Baker, Davis, Gow NAY-0/None Motion Carried.

No **Public Comment** was offered.

Board Comment was offered by:
Mayor Nellist: Congratulated Trustee Gow on being elected to the Board and Deputy Mayor Corwin-Bradley on her re-election. He also questioned about whether the hydrants have been flushed, which they have not and will be done when Mark returns from leave.
Trustee Gow: Stated he was happy to be elected to the Board and is excited to get involved to make the community a better place.

Deputy Mayor Corwin-Bradley: Stated that the Police Department will be holding a community forum to comply with the Police Reform initiative by Gov. Cuomo. The forum will be held on Oct. 27th at 6:00pm at the Barker Fire Hall and will only address ways to improve our Village police force.

Trustee Davis: Stated the outlets on the gazebo are broken and need to be repaired. He also suggested that the lights on the outside of the gazebo be put on a photocell, so they are dusk to dawn and not on all the time. The lamps in front of the gazebo are two different shades of light, the bulb should be replaced. Trustee Davis also wanted to remind Mark that the end of Woodward needs to be maintained and not let growth reoccur.

A motion for **Adjournment was made at 7:44pm** by Trustee Davis and was seconded by Trustee Gow.
The previous was ADOPTED. AYES-5-Nellist, Corwin-Bradley, Baker, Davis, Gow NAY-0/None Motion Carried.

Next work session will be Monday, November 2, 2020 @ 6:00pm at the Village Hall/Police Station.
Next regularly scheduled meeting will be Monday, November 9, 2020 @ 7:00pm at the Barker Fire Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

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