A Work Session was not held this month (July 5<sup>th</sup>) due to lack of items on the agenda.

## VILLAGE OF BARKER BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

July 11, 2016 7:00PM

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

**Attendance:** In attendance was Police Chief, Ross Annable, Public Works Superintendent Mark Remington, Deputy- Clerk/Treasurer Vicky Baker, Phyllis Hildebrant and Greg Goodlander. From the board, Trustee Kim Ruffini was absent. Clerk-Treasurer, Amanda Detschner was also absent.

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

The **Sales tax** received for June 2016 in the amount of \$9,930.06 a decrease of \$504.66 from 2015. An overall 2016 decrease of \$3,454.65

The **Approval of Minutes** for the monthly board meeting held June 13, 2016. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Trustee Scott Matheis and seconded by Deputy Mayor Janice Rider. Motion carried.

The Clerks Financial Reports were reviewed and accepted by the Board of Trustees.

- Water Bills were mailed July 8<sup>th</sup> and are due August 10<sup>th</sup> without penalty
- Village Tax collection is now under 5% penalty until July 31<sup>st</sup>
- Accountant is working on completing the 2015/2016 AUD (Annual Update Document) that is to be filed by August 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Clerk-Treasurer, Amanda Detschner will be out of the office July 11-15<sup>th</sup> due to her attendance at the Cornell Municipal Clerk's Institute (CMCI) on Scholarship from IIMC of \$400.00 and the NYS Association of City and Village Clerks of \$425.00 for a total of \$825.00 out of the \$850.00 cost.
- Clerk-Treasurer, Amanda Detschner will be on vacation from July 25-29<sup>th</sup>.
- The check for the East Avenue property arrived today from the Village's lawyer.

The **Public Works Report** was reviewed and accepted by the Board of Trustees.

- Water Comparison for 2<sup>nd</sup> QTR 2016- Loss is 1.74%
- Appointment of Public Works Laborer P/T- Jeremy Allen. Deputy Mayor Janice Rider made a motion to accept the application of Jeremy Allen, Seconded by Trustee Greg Kerth. Motion carried
- Written report from Mark Remington reviewed.
- Greg Kerth asked for an update on the property at 1705 Pallister Ave. Mr. Kerth stated that something needs to be done regarding this property. Discussion followed regarding recent legislation for "Zombie Houses" and squatters. Police Chief Annable advised that part of the problem is that the owner, Mr. Steele can't be located to serve the necessary papers.
- Superintendent Remington advised the board of recent rust proof coating that was done on public works vehicles.
- Superintendent Remington was approached by the Barker Fire Department to place a meter at the hall when a school group uses the fire hall for a car wash fundraiser. The board deemed it unnecessary.
- Superintendent Remington was asked if the milling of Main St. would affect the valve that was shut off to the Mayer Bros. property. Mr. Remington advised the milling and black topping would not extend that far down Main St. Update on the Milling and Black topping of Main St. was given.
- The removal of the by-product of the milling procedure was discussed. Board decided that it was free to those who wanted it and had the means to haul it away. Discussed that it needs to be offered to entire community, perhaps by posting locally.
- Superintendent Remington advised the board that there was damage done and graffiti written on the Main St. Park gazebo.

The **Code Enforcement Report** was reviewed and accepted by the Board of Trustees.

Written report reviewed by the Board.

The **Police Report** was reviewed and accepted by the Board of Trustees.

- Written report reviewed by the Board
- Chief Annable reported that children on bikes are a problem in the Village, no helmets, not watching where they are going, etc.

- Board member Kerth asked if we could have an officer on between the hours of 3 and 6 pm. Chief Annable stated he covered that time today.
- Board member Kerth complained of loud mufflers on his street.
- Chief Annable brought up filling the vacant position that was put on hold at last month's meeting. He states he is having difficulty filling current hours since his staff has other full time jobs that come first. Chief Annabel stated he would like to go into executive session to discuss the one applicant that he put forth last month.
- Mayor Nellist advised that we have procedures for the hiring process laid out in the hand book and we need to follow that process. Chief Annabel feels that since the applicants are already working as police in other jurisdictions, they should look at it as if it were a lateral transfer. Lengthy discussion followed.

**Correspondence:** NYCOM Legislative Update-June 30, 2016

 ${\it Charter Communications/TWC-Cable Franchise Agreement updates information}$ 

Charter Communications/TWC- programming changes- June 1, 2016 Charter Communication/TWC-programming changes- June 15, 2016 NYS Comptroller-Town fines to be sent to the Village-\$150.00 in Fines

NYS Dept. of State- Gateway Program Information

NC Gallonage Report

National Grid-10,000 Trees and Growing! Program

Approval of Claims and Bill Payment: Abstracts 001 Voucher #'s 20-57

General Fund-\$4,057.66 Water Fund-\$ 30,212.73 T&A\$1,400.00 TOTAL \$35,670.39

A motion to approve the claims and bill payment was made by Deputy Mayor Rider and was seconded by Trustee Matheis. A unanimous vote followed to carry the motion.

Budget Transfer: To Close Year End 2015/2016 Fiscal Year

A1410.1 Deputy Clerk-Treasurer P/S \$319.00 to A1325.42 C/T Supplies

A7110.41 Parks Electricity \$60.00 to A7110.43 Parks Misc.

A motion to approve the above budget transfers was made by Deputy Mayor Rider and a second was offered by Trustee Kerth. All voted in favor to carry the motion.

## **Public Comment**

- Phyllis Hildebrant questioned why it takes the Post Office so long to deliver mail. She still hasn't received her water bill. She stated she knows that they were mailed in a timely fashion and that "You guys do a good job"
- Greg Goodlander asked about our working relationship with the Town of Somerset Police Force. He also thanked the board for working with him on the selling/buying of the East Avenue property.

## **Board Comment**—none given.

At 7:40 pm Trustee Scott Matheis made a motion to go into executive session. Trustee Greg Kerth seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Board went into executive session at 7:43 PM.

Present: Chief Annable

Mayor Nellist Deputy Mayor Rider Trustee Matheis Trustee Kerth

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Vicky Baker

At 8:06 pm Deputy Mayor Janice Rider made a motion to end the executive session. Trustee Greg Kerth seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Returned to regular board meeting.

Chief Annable stated he was requesting to fill the position of Police officer that is currently vacant. Janice Rider made a motion to review the request with legal counsel. Greg Kerth seconded the motion. Motion carried. Chief Annable went on to say that hours will be left unfilled due to the Board's position.

**A motion for Adjournment was made by Deputy Mayor** Janice Rider. Trustee Greg Kerth seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Next regularly scheduled work session will be August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 @ 6:00pm. Next regularly scheduled meeting will be August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 @ 7:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,