



## VILLAGE OF BARKER WORK SESSION AGENDA

January 30, 2017  
6:00pm

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

In **Attendance**: All Board members and Clerk-Treasurer Amanda Detschner.

The **meeting was opened at 6:01pm** with Mayor Nellist administering the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Received 2017 contracts from the Town of Somerset regarding using the Highway Department and/or Water Department  
No changes from 2016's contract and no change in money asked for
- Sale on playground equipment  
Found a piece that would be nice for the park  
For ages 2-12, Sale price \$10,000, 7 play events and can hold approx. 25 kids

Deputy Mayor Rider looked at the brochure and stated that she thinks we should look into a piece a little cheaper with no roof or small tunnel due to vandalism concerns.

A motion to enter into Executive Session on the grounds of discussing the employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation was made by Deputy Mayor Rider at 6:10pm and was seconded by Trustee Matheis. A unanimous vote followed to carry the motion.

Present in the Executive Session was all 5 Board members and Clerk-Treasurer Amanda Detschner.

A motion to adjourn the Executive session was made at 7:08pm on a motion from Trustee Matheis and was seconded by Trustee Kerth. All voted aye to carry the motion.

No **Public Comment** was offered.

No **Board Comment** was offered.

A motion for **adjournment was made at 7:09pm** by Trustee Matheis and was seconded by Trustee Kerth. All voted in favor to carry the motion.

Next meeting is the Monthly Board Meeting, Monday, February 13, 2017 @ 7:00pm

## VILLAGE OF BARKER BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

February 13, 2017 7:00PM



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

In **Attendance**: DPW Superintendent Mark Remington, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Vicky Baker and 4 Participation in Government Students. Trustee Ruffini was absent from the meeting, as well as Chief Ross Annable.

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

**Sales tax** received for January 2016 was \$12,649.49 an increase of \$771.79 over January 2015

**Approval of Minutes** for the monthly board meeting held January 9, 2017 was motioned for approval by Deputy Mayor Rider and was seconded by Trustee Matheis. All voted in favor to carry the motion.

### **Resolution #2-2017 Niagara County, New York Hazard Mitigation Plan Adoption**

WHEREAS, the Village of Barker, with assistance from Witt O'Brien's has gathered information and prepared the Niagara County NY Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County NY Hazard Mitigation Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Barker, NY is a local unit of government that has afforded the citizens an opportunity to comment and provide input in the Plan and the actions in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Barker, NY has reviewed the Plan and affirms that the Plan will be updated no less than every five years;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Barker, NY adopts the Niagara County NY Hazard Mitigation Plan as this jurisdiction's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, and resolves to execute the actions in the Plan.

A motion to adopt Resolution #2-2017 was motioned by Trustee Kerth and a second was offered by Deputy Mayor Rider. Motioned carried. Resolution Adopted.

**Approval of the Highway Department Agreement** between the Town of Somerset and the Village was motioned by Trustee Matheis and seconded by Trustee Kerth. A unanimous voted followed to carry the motion.

**Approval of the Water/Sewer Department Agreement** between the Town of Somerset and the Village was motioned by Deputy Mayor Rider and a second was offered by Trustee Matheis. All voted in favor. Motioned Carried.

**The Offices of Mayor (2 year term) and two (2) Trustees (2 year terms) are open for the upcoming Election on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 being held from Noon until 9:00pm.** Petitions must be filed with the Clerk-Treasurer no later than February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017 by 5:00pm in order to be on the ballot.

### **Proclamation Building Safety Month — May, 2017**

Whereas, our Village is committed to recognizing our growth and strength depends on the safety and economic value of the homes, buildings and infrastructure that serve our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, and;

Whereas, our confidence in the structural integrity of these buildings that make up our community is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians—building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, trades people, design professionals, laborers and others in the construction industry—who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings, and;

Whereas, these guardians are dedicated members of the International Code Council, a U.S. based organization, that brings together local, state and federal officials that are experts in the built environment to create and implement the highest-quality codes to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship, play, and;

Whereas, our nation benefits economically and technologically from using the International Codes® that are developed by a national, voluntary consensus codes and standards developing organization, our government is able to avoid the high cost and complexity of developing and maintaining these codes, which are the most widely adopted building safety and fire prevention codes in the nation; these modern building codes include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wild land fires, floods and earthquake; and;

Whereas, Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown guardians of public safety—our local code officials—who assure us of safe, efficient and livable buildings that are essential to keep America great, and;

Whereas, “Code Officials—Partners in Community Safety and Economic Growth” the theme for Building Safety Month 2017, encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of building safe and resilient construction; fire prevention; disaster mitigation, and new technologies in the construction industry. Building Safety Month 2017 encourages appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, worship and play are safe, and recognizes that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies, and,

Whereas, each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, Americans are asked to consider the commitment to improve building safety and economic investment at home and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local and state building departments, fire prevention bureaus and federal agencies in protecting lives and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Aaron Nellist, Mayor of the Village of Barker, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2017 as Building Safety Month. Accordingly, I encourage our citizens to join with their communities in participation in Building Safety Month activities.

A motion to adopt the above Proclamation was motioned for approval by Trustee Kerth and was seconded by Trustee Matheis. All voted aye to carry the motion.

**A letter of resignation/retirement from Police Chief W. Ross Annable** was read aloud. Effective February 14, 2017. A motion to accept Ross's resignation/retirement was made by Trustee Kerth and was seconded by Trustee Matheis. A unanimous vote followed. Motion Carried.

### **Proclamation -Honoring Chief W. Ross Annable On the Occasion of his Retirement**

WHEREAS, William Ross Annable, Chief of the Village of Barker Police Department officially retired on February 14, 2017, after eleven (11) years of outstanding and meritorious service to the residents of Barker; and

WHEREAS, throughout his forty years of service as a Police professional first serving the Village of Middleport and then onto the Niagara County Sherriff's department, Ross advanced through the ranks as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability to become the Chief of Police of the Village of Barker; and

WHEREAS, Ross has served as an example to his peers, and the residents of this community and this State, both in his personal achievements and employment achievements, with fairness and dedication;

WHEREAS, on behalf of the Village Board of Trustees, we want to express our sincere appreciation to Ross for his dedication to the Village of Barker, in which he retires as a member in excellent standing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE I T RESOLVED, that we, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Barker, take this opportunity to express our sincere and grateful appreciation, and hereby extend to W. Ross Annable, our congratulations on this well-earned retirement and our best wishes to him for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

A motion to adopt the above Proclamation was motioned for approval by Trustee Matheis and a second was offered by Trustee Kerth. All voted in favor. Motioned Carried.

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

- Any unpaid water accounts as of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 will be levied onto the Village Tax Roll for collection in June
- Received a phone call from Joe Degnan of the NC IDA that he just finished our updated Zoning maps, I need to pick them up this week and color code them to move onto the next step of amending our Zoning law
- Clerk-Treasurer’s computer has a virus and has been unable to work on anything that relates to the Internet, this includes banking, retirement reporting, online bills and payroll, Joe Flegal worked on the computer last week just to get so I could do basic functions. He took the tower to try to repair, but suggested new towers for Office computers in the next budget. With today’s development we may need to replace the C/T computer.

**A motion to authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to purchase a new computer CPU of up to \$1,000.00** was made by Trustee Kerth and a second was offered by Deputy Mayor Rider. All voted aye to carry the motion.

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

Trustee Kerth asked about the suspected leak behind Mayor Brothers. Mr. Remington reported that it is still dry and doesn’t think there is a leak in that location. Mayor Nellist inquired about the light that is out in front of the Gazebo. An electrician will have to be called in order to pin point the problem.

The **Code Enforcement Report** was reviewed and accepted.-No Permits Issued

**Police Report**-No Report submitted

**Correspondence:** NYSEG-Natural Gas Safety Information  
NYCOM 2016 Summary of Enacted and Vetoed Legislation  
Yellow Page Directory-Advertisement/Solicitation  
NC Legislature-Resolution in Support of complete removal of materials temporarily buried at the Lake Ontario Ordinance, Model City, NY  
NC Gallonage Report  
2020 Census Data Update (LUCA) Information  
Town of Somerset Zoning Board of Appeals- February 14, 2017 at 7:30pm-Howard  
Town of Somerset Zoning Board of Appeals-February 2, 2017 at 7:30pm-Weld  
NC Center for Economic Development-Brownfields Brochure  
Charter Communications-January 28, 2017-Programming Changes

**Approval of Claims and Bill Payment:** Abstracts 009 Voucher #'s 280-316  
General Fund-\$15,493.80    Water Fund-\$1,359.00    T&A-\$1,400.00    TOTAL \$18,252.80  
A motion to approve the claims and bill payment was made by Deputy Mayor Rider and was seconded by Trustee Matheis. All voted in favor to carry the motion.

**Budget Transfer:** A1640.41 Gasoline \$90.00 to A1620.45 Village Hall-Misc.  
A motion to approve the above budget transfer was made by Trustee Kerth and a second was offered by Deputy Mayor Rider. All voted aye. Motioned Carried.

No **Public Comment** was offered.

**Board Comment** was offered by:  
Mayor Nellist- Urged everyone to get a copy of the current budget and look at the proposed numbers. It will be all hands on deck with Ross’s retirement.

A motion for **Adjournment** was made at 7:23pm by Trustee Kerth and was seconded by Trustee Matheis. A unanimous vote followed. Motioned Carried.

Budget Session will be held Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.  
Next Work Session will be March 6, 2017 at 6:00pm.  
Next regularly scheduled meeting will be March 13, 2017 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda M. Detschner  
Clerk-Treasurer