

VILLAGE OF BARKER WORK SESSION MINTUES March 6, 2017 6:00pm

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

In **Attendance**: Officer Timothy Braughler, DPW Superintendent Mark Remington, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Vicky Baker and James Baker. Trustee Matheis was absent.

The meeting was opened at 6:09pm with Mayor Nellist welcoming Officer Braughler.

Police Department Update:

Mayor Nellist stated that Sergeant Piskorowski handed in his letter of resignation effective February 28, 2017. Mayor Nellist also stated that on Monday, February 20th a conversation took place between Officer Braughler, Mayor Nellist and Clerk-Treasurer Amanda Detschner. It began by discussing the chain of command for the controlled substances used to train Warrant and transitioned into what will the the Police Department be in the future. Officer Braughler expressed interest in becoming the Chief of Police for the Village and a brief discussion ensued about availability, hours and day to day tasks that need to be taken care of. Officer Braughler stated that since he's commuting back and forth to Albany right now it would only be an occasional administrative shift, until he can get transferred back this way.

Playground quotes for SAM Funding was discussed and the playground equipment with 9 play areas for the cost of \$10,000, \$14,370 with installation was chosen to replace the outdated piece of equipment that exists in the David Barker Park.

Public Comment was offered by James Baker. He stated that he looked into installing our own street lights along Main Street and the figures we high, as well as engineer fees, only up to 6 lights would be installed and it would have to be metered somehow. Therefore, he said that it doesn't make sense to pursue this.

No Board Comment was offered.

A motion **for adjournment was made at 6:39pm** by Deputy Mayor Rider and was seconded by Trustee Kerth. All voted in favor to carry the motion.

Next meeting is the Monthly Board Meeting, Monday, March 13, 2017 @ 7:00pm; meet at 6:00pm to discuss the budget before the meeting.

BUDGET SESSION immediately followed at 6:40pm.

The budget consisted of Salaries for all Village employees, as well as firming up a couple expenditures in the General fund A1010.4, A5130.2 and A5410.4. The meeting adjourned at 7:49pm.



In Attendance: Mayor Nellist, Deputy Mayor Rider, Trustee Kerth, Trustee Ruffini and Trustee Matheis arrived at 6:27pm, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Vicky Baker and James Baker.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm by Mayor Nellist administering the pledge of Allegiance.

A discussion of what can be removed from the tentative budget as it stands and the following were removed or decreased in order to lower the amount of the appropriations:

- Trustee Contractual removed \$1,150.00
- Restoration of the 1940-1953 Minute Book \$2,030.00
- New Chipper removed \$35,000
- New Sidewalks reduced to \$5,000.00

A discussion ensued about the new trees for the David Barker Park on Main Street and the consensus was to leave them in the budget.

A long discussion ensued about setting the Tax rate for FY 2017/2018. Eventually it was decided to set it at \$7.35 a five cent increase from this year giving the Village an increase in revenue of \$954.88.

Budget discussion ceased at 6:55pm to get ready for the Monthly Meeting.

VILLAGE OF BARKER BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINTUES

March 13, 2017 7:00PM



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

In **Attendance**: Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Vicky Baker, James Baker and 9 Participation in Government Students. Madison Dryburgh, Amy Thuman, Christina Carestia, Matthew Pestinger, Lydia Dewart, Jacob Arnold, Kyle Moellon, Jack Hopkins, Devon Mangon, Ryan Voss, Josh Richbart, and Dan Engert Jr.

At 7:02pm the meeting was called to order by Mayor Nellist by administering the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Sales tax received for February 2017 in the amount of \$10,639.68 a \$334.05 decrease from February 2016.

The **Approval of Minutes** for the monthly board meeting held February 13, 2017 was motioned for approval by Deputy Mayor Rider and a second was offered by Trustee Matheis. All voted in favor to carry the motion.

The **Destruction of Records Schedule**, according to the NYS Archive's MU-1 schedule, is to be presented to the Board for approval mainly consisting of old BFD reports and departmental reports for DPW was motioned for approval by Trustee Ruffini and was seconded by Trustee Matheis. A unanimous vote followed. Motion Carried.

A public hearing date for the FY 2017-2018 Budget was set for Monday, April 3, 2017 at 7:00pm.

The **Tax Rate for the FY 2017-2018 Budget was set at \$7.35 per thousand.** Deputy Mayor Rider offered the motion to accept the tax rate at \$7.35 per thousand and was seconded by Trustee Ruffini. All voted aye. Motioned carried.

The Village Election will take place on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 from Noon until 9:00pm in the Village Hall Board Room.

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

- Spring newsletter will be mailed out Mid-April. If anyone has articles they would like to submit they must be done by April 3rd the date of the Annual Organizational meeting. This newsletter will include the Annual Drinking Water Quality Report.
- ✓ In the past 2 months we have taken in over \$1,100 in credit card transactions. This is proving to be a great alternative for residents
- ✓ Water bills will be mailed April 7th and will be due May 10th without penalty
- Any unpaid water accounts remaining as of March 31st will be placed on the Village Tax roll for collection in June
- The company Charter that has taken over Time Warner Cable sent a 4th QTR. Franchise payment check, this is usually done annually in April in one lump sum. I have contacted our attorney regarding the legality of this and he feels that Spectrum is trying to get on a QTRly. I received payment today for the remainder of the amount owed for 2016.
- ✓ Clerk-Treasurer will be attending a meeting hosted by NC Treasurer John Shoemaker about a county wide tax collection software shared services initiative on 3/16 at 10:30 followed by a NCMCA meeting at 11:30
- ✓ Clerk-Treasurer will be attending a meeting regarding the LUCA 2020 census at the NC Economic Development Center on March 22, 2017 from 9:00am until Noon

Trustee Kerth inquired about the Village of Barker's Fiscal Stress Score received last week. For 2016 the Village was at 12.9% with NO DESIGNATION, down from 16.9% in 2015.

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

Laborers Gene Cavanaugh and Robert Verheyn will be plowing this week while Mark is away.

Code Enforcement Report-No permits issued

Trustee Kerth asked to have mark speak to the owner of 8681 Church Street about repairing the chain link fence due to a safety concern.

Police Report- No report submitted

The **letter of resignation (retirement) from Sergeant Douglas Piskorowski** was read aloud. A motion to accept the resignation of Douglas Piskorowski was made by Deputy Mayor Rider and was seconded by Trustee Kerth. All voted in favor to carry the motion.

The **Provisional appointment of Officer Timothy Braughler as Chief of Police**, upon Civil Service approval was made by Deputy Mayor Rider and a second was offered by Trustee Kerth. A unanimous vote followed to carry the motion. A motion to set the rate of pay for **Chief Braughler at \$9,000.00** per year was made by Trustee Ruffini and a second was offered by Deputy Mayor Rider. All voted aye, motioned carried. Correspondence: Town of Somerset Planning Board Public Hearing-March 2, 2017 @ 7:30pm-Howard NYS-Western NY Regional Economic Development Counsel-CFA Project Technical Assistance-

Round 2

NC Treasurer Office-Sales Tax Distribution Formula for 2016 Report NC Dept. of Health-RE: Purchased water supplies responsibilities NYCOM- Annual Dues Statement NYCOM-Legislative Update-March 1, 2017 NYCOM-Legislative Connection Imitative Information NC Gallonage report

Approval of Claims and Bill Payment: Abstracts 010Voucher #'s 317-344General Fund-\$8,253.09Water Fund-\$902.09T&A Fund-\$1,400.00TOTAL \$10,555.18A motion to approve the above claims and bill payment was made by TrusteeTotal \$10,555.18Matheis. All voted in favor to carry the motion.Total \$10,555.18

Budget Transfer: A1325.42 Clerk-Treasurer Supplies \$1,298.00 to A1325.2 Clerk-Treasurer Equipment A motion to approve the above budget transfer was made by Deputy Mayor Rider and a second was offered by Trustee Kerth. A unanimous vote followed to carry the motion.

No Public Comment was offered.

Board Comment was offered by Trustee Matheis. He inquired about what is going to happen with the Police building and is the Village going to sell any of the equipment. Mayor Nellist stated that there are decisions to make regarding these things and there is possibility of changes in the future.

A motion for **Adjournment was made at 7:23pm** by Deputy Mayor Rider and was seconded by Trustee Kerth. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Next regularly scheduled meeting will be April 3, 2017 (The Annual Organizational Meeting) @7:00PM.

BUDGET SESSION resumed at 7:25pm and ended at 7:32pm. The water expenditures and revenues were looked over and deemed ok.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda M. Detschner Clerk-Treasurer