

# VILLAGE OF BARKER BOARD OF TRUSTEES BOARD MEETING MINUTES



December 9, 2019 7:00PM  
@ Barker Fire Hall

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

In **Attendance**: DPW Superintendent Mark Remington, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Jen Mason and Phil Bates

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

The **Sales tax** received for November 2019 in the amount of \$11,342.95.

The **Approval of Minutes** for the monthly board meeting November 12, 2019 was motioned by Trustee Davis and was seconded by Trustee Seward.

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

The **Clerk-Treasurer's Financial Reports** were reviewed and accepted by the Board of Trustees.

- ✓ The Village Hall will be closed December 24, 25, & 26<sup>th</sup>, as well as December 31 and January 1<sup>st</sup>
- ✓ Village Election-Independent Nominating Petitions maybe released beginning December 31<sup>st</sup> and are due between February 4-February 11, 2019
- ✓ Village Election- Last day to register with the county board of elections to be able to vote in the March 18, 2020 election is Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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

Mayor Nellist inquired about the 4 wheel drive on the dump truck and Trustee Seward inquired about the way oil changes are handled for DPW vehicles. Mayor Nellist questioned Superintendent Remington about the part time laborers and if they are being trained in snow removal/salting, which they are. Mayor Nellist also inquired about the break wall at the Lake Park, Superintendent Remington stated it's holding just fine with minimal boulder movement.

**Code Enforcement Report**: No activity-no report submitted

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

Mayor Nellist stated Chief Braugher contacted him about the bail reform bill that goes into effect shortly and that some equipment will need to be purchased in order to comply. A majority of the expenditures would be a onetime purchases not reoccurring.

#### **Correspondence:**

Charter Communications-Upcoming Programming Changes-Nov. 13, 2019  
Charter Communications-Upcoming Programming Changes-Nov. 15, 2019  
Charter Communications-Upcoming Programming Changes-Nov. 18, 2019  
Charter Communications-Upcoming Programming Changes-Nov. 26, 2019  
Charter Communications-Upcoming Programming Changes-Dec. 9, 2019  
Fusion Connect Bankruptcy notification-Extended date & times  
Fusion Connect Bankruptcy notification-Notice of plan supplement  
NC Dept. of Economic Development-NC 2020 CEDS report  
Williamson Law Book Company-software programs offered  
2020 Census Complete Count Committee information  
MRB Group-Detailed proposal of professional services for new build for Trident Insurance  
Town of Somerset Holiday 2019 Newsletter  
NC Gallonage Report-November 2019  
Disability Education & Awareness for Municipalities-Jan. 24, 2020 from 9:00am-4:30pm in Amherst  
Niagara Falls Memorial Special Project Committee- Mayor Nellist invite

Mayor Nellist received a phone call for the Deputy Mayor from the Village of Wilson asking questions about part town tax/whole town tax and why can't villages do the same for things everyone uses, such as street lighting and roads.

**Approval of Claims and Bill Payment**: Abstract 007 Voucher #'s 207-239 H3 voucher # 28  
General Fund-\$16,368.73 Water Fund-\$10,661.47 T&A Fund-\$1,400.00 H-3 Fund-\$30,000.00 TOTAL  
\$58,430.20

A **motion to authorize the audited claims and bill payment by the Board of Trustees** was made by Trustee Baker and was seconded by Trustee Seward.

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

**Budget Transfer:** A7110.43 Parks Misc. \$615.00 to A5110.4 Street Maintenance Contractual  
A1190.4 Contingency \$1,075.00 to A5130.2 Machinery

A **motion to approve the above budget transfers** was made by Trustee Davis and was seconded by Trustee Baker.  
The previous was ADOPTED. AYES-4-Nellist, Baker, Davis, Seward NAYS-0/None ABSENT-1-Corwin-Bradley.  
Motioned Carried.

No **Public Comment** was offered.

**Board Comment** was offered by:

Trustee Davis: Inquired about the core drilling that needs to be done in order to see if a basement is feasible for the future Village Hall and Library building. The MRB Group has solicited a quote from Terracon, but according to the Village's procurement policy we need at least two more quotes before we can make a decision. Mayor Nellist stated he will call them to inquire as to why they are soliciting the quotes when they could have just provided us with the specs and we solicit the quotes.

Trustee Davis also inquired about ordering Village polo's, it was discussed. Additional shirts maybe purchased, but at the expense of the individual. It was decided to put name only on the shirts.

**A motion to approve the purchase of one shirt for each Village Board member and employee** was made by Trustee Davis and was seconded by Trustee Baker.

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

Mayor Nellist: Seanna is very busy with Light Up Barker tasks and as much help as you can provide on Saturday , December 14, 2019 for the event would be great. Volunteers are needed to hand out the Chicken BBQ dinners at the Lion's Club and if everyone could take 5 or 10 tickets that are left to sell before Saturday, it would be a great help. Mayor Nellist inquired about putting out flyers at the Fire Hall the morning of the children's Christmas festivities to help get more people to attend.

**A motion for Adjournment was made at 7:24pm** by Trustee Seward and was seconded by Trustee Davis.

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

**Next work session will be Monday, January 6, 2020 @ 6:00pm at the Village Hall/Police Station**  
**Next regularly scheduled meeting will be Monday, January 13, 2020 @ 7:00pm at the Barker Fire Hall.**

Respectfully Submitted,

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