

The Work Session for May was canceled due to lack of business and COVID-19.



VILLAGE OF BARKER BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

May 11, 2020 7:00PM

@ Barker Fire Hall Parking Lot/Pavilion

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

COVID-19 precautions taken: Meeting took place outdoors, social distancing, masks worn, gloves provided and sanitized pen provided

In Attendance: Dept. of Public Works Mark Remington. Deputy Mayor Seanna Corwin-Bradley 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 April 2020 was \$12,915.98 an increase of \$642.06 from April 2019

The Approval of Minutes from the Annual Organizational Meeting held April 6, 2020 was motioned for approval 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.

Village Tax Warrant 2020- Authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to collect taxable levy of \$150,426.51, plus \$9,682.46 in unpaid water rents for a total of \$160,108.97. A notice of the 2020 taxes levied shall be published in the Union Sun & Journal once per week for two consecutive weeks.

A motion to authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to collect the taxable levy and unpaid water rents was made 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.

Modern Disposal Contract Extension Agreement- A motion to accept the 6 month extension of our refuse contract which will be in effect from July 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

Mayor Nellist gave a brief update regarding the possible joining of the Solid Waste Consortium that was previously jointed by the Towns of Cambria, Pendleton, Newfane & Somerset. To keep cost from a large increase of 30%+ the purchasing of 96 gallon refuse carts was discussed and what that would mean to our residents. By purchasing the carts and moving to cart based collection the contract increase would be about 13%.

A motion to accept the Modern Disposal Contract Extension Agreement 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.

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

- Tax Bills will be mailed on May 29, 2020 and are due between June 1st and July 1st without penalty
- The NY Municipal Clerks Institute that I was going to attend in July to present a masters level course on Record Preservation, has been postponed until next year, as well as the NYALGRO conference I was going to attend to give a presentation on the Village Hall fire and our journey through records retention was postponed until September 27-29. This will be immediately following the NYCOM Fall Training School scheduled for September 20-25, 2020. That is if these events are still able to happen due to the current circumstances.
- A discussion about COVID-19 precautions regarding tax payments and future office procedures took place. It was decided to allow in person tax payments, but to keep the door locked, once they are granted entry only one person at a time with masks being worn when interacting with residents & co-workers when not 6 feet apart

Authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to make necessary budget transfers to close out the FY 2019-2020 books; the budget transfers made will be presented at the following board meeting for approval.

A motion to authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to make necessary budget transfers to close out FY 2019-2020 books was made 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.

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

- The Board had a discussion with DPW Superintendent regarding COVID-19 precautions and how certain tasks would be completed when utilizing the part time laborers

The Novachip quote from Midland was reviewed by the Board and they discussed the areas in need, which were Main Street towards East Avenue that hadn't been paved when Main Street was redone in 2018 \$6,637.50, East Ave to Church Street \$7,078.23 and Woodward Avenue \$4,763.07 for a total of \$18,478.80.

A **motion to accept the quote from Midland having all 3 proposed areas resurfaced** 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.

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

Mayor Nellist stated that the Village needs to be vigilant on building and code enforcement now that the weather is turning.

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

Correspondence: NC MUSIP- Volunteer Fire Companies-Liability using fire apparatus with parades
Bankruptcy Court notice- Bissell
NY Rural Water Association- 20 year member
ARGO Insurance Group- April 3, 2020-Village Hall Fire
ARGO Insurance Group- April 15, 2020- Village Hall Fire
Blue Cross & Blue Shield COVID-19 letter regarding health insurance coverage
Time for Homes- Inviting Mayor Nellist to sit on advisory board
Charter Communications- Upcoming Changes- April 15, 2020
Charter Communications- Upcoming Changes- May 1, 2020

Approval of Claims and Bill Payment: Abstract 012 Voucher #'s 374-409
General Fund-\$14,947.87 Water Fund-\$1,528.92 T&A Fund-\$2,100.00 TOTAL \$18,576.79
A **motion to accept the audited claims and bill payment** was made by Trustee Seward and was seconded by Trustee Davis.
The previous was ADOPTED. AYES-3- Baker, Davis, Seward NAYS-0/None ABSTAIN-1-Nellist
ABSENT-1-Corwin-Bradley Motioned Carried.

Budget Transfers: A1420.4 Law Contractual \$712.00 to A1325.1 Clerk-Treasurer PS
A1420.4 Law Contractual \$971.00 to A5010.1 Supt. Public Works PS
A1325.43 Clerk-Training \$150.00 to A1325.41 Clerk-Telephone
A1620.42 Village Hall- Heat \$50.00 to A1620.44 Village Hall- Contractual
A3120.43 Police-Uniforms \$40.00 to A3120.46 Police Vehicle Maintenance
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 Seward: State that he received an offer on his house, therefore his last meeting maybe July.
Trustee Davis: Thanked Clerk-Treasurer for his birthday card. Also, stated that if someone is interested in Ben's seat should begin to attend the Village Board meetings.
Trustee Baker: Thanked the Clerk-Treasurer for his birthday card.
Mayor Nellist: Stated that he had received several complaints of people being kicked off school grounds by Somerset PD. Deputy Mayor Corwin-Bradley reached out to Mary Jo Clemens-Harris about this and Superintendent Jacob Riemer stated that as long as people were obeying social distancing it was acceptable to use the outdoor facilities.

A motion for **Adjournment was made at 7:43pm** 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.

Next work session will be Monday, June 1, 2020 @ 6:00pm at the Village Hall/ Police Station Next regularly scheduled meeting will be Monday, June 8, 2020 @ 7:00pm at the Barker Fire Hall

Respectfully Submitted,

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