

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF BARNES
MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING
Tuesday –January 17, 2017 at 6:30PM
At Barnes Town Hall

(UNAPPROVED)

At 6:30PM Chairman Krob called the Monthly Town Board Meeting to order. Roll call was taken to establish a quorum with Donna Porter, Tom Emerson, Seana Frint, Chris Webb and Tom Krob in attendance. Clerk Bourassa verified public notice.

Motion made (Porter/Frint) to approve the agenda and the minutes of the 12/20/16 Monthly Board meeting and the 12/27/16 Special Board Meeting and to dispense with the reading of those minutes. Voice vote taken with no opposition. Motion carried.

Public Comment Session – There were no public comments.

Clerk Correspondence –

1. Approval of Audit Engagement Letter

Motion made (Emerson/Webb) to approve the Audit Engagement Letter and authorize the Chair to sign. Voice Vote was taken with no opposition. Motion carried.

2. Primary Election on 2/21, need to re-schedule February's Monthly Board Meeting

Motion made to (Krob/Porter) to re-schedule the February meeting to Monday, February 20th, at 6:30. Voice vote taken with no opposition. Motion carried.

3. End of Year 2016 Budget Resolutions
No resolutions to discuss

Voucher's Approval – December vouchers

Motion made (Porter/Frint) to approve December vouchers. Voice vote taken with no opposition. Motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer Reports provided by Judy Bourassa.

Motion made (Webb/Emerson) to approve the December Treasurer's Report. Voice vote taken with no opposition. Motion carried.

Tom Emerson wanted to recognize Clerk Judy Bourassa for her efforts on consolidating the chart of accounts-she did an excellent job.

TOB Department Head Reports:

The Highway Department Monthly Roads Report-Eric Altman

1. Bayfield County request for temporary use of 43 Road for snowmobile use

Tom Krob said he and Eric met with Tom Toepfer to discuss highway matters. After that meeting they met with Jason Bodine on January 5th and the re-route was discussed and Tom gave his approval, saying he would bring it up at the next board meeting.

Tom Renz discussed the necessity of the board declaring 43 Road as snowmobile route.

Motion made (Webb/Krob) that the Town declares 43 Road as a snowmobile route. Voice vote taken with no opposition. Motion carried.

Chris Webb introduced Eric Altman to Alan Scheifelbein, our insurance agent who was in attendance, since they will be working together on equipment coverage. She also suggested that we request insurance quotes so they can be reviewed at the February town board meeting.

Fire & Ambulance Departments Monthly Reports-Tom Renz

1. Increase of \$30/month for assistant ambulance director
2. Launch of ambulance point system
3. Addition of Lisa Johnson to the Ambulance Service

Motion made (Porter/Webb) to approve the increase of \$30/month for the assistant ambulance director. Voice vote taken with no opposition. Motion carried.

Motion made (Webb/Frint) to approve the ambulance point system as outlined in the Barnes Emergency Services Monthly Report dated 1/17/17. The point system will be effective 1/1/17.

1 point for every run

1 point for every month the 72 hour call minimum is met

1 point for every monthly meeting attended

1 point for every in-house on call after the 72 hours met

1 point for every in-house training not regarded as monthly training met

1 point for every six hours on call during Holiday (New Year's Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Friday after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Eve)

1 point for special in Town events as approved by the director with Town Board approval

Voice vote taken with no opposition. Motion carried.

It was noted that this point system is IN ADDITION TO the on-call compensation and will ELIMINATE the payments previously received for attending monthly meetings/trainings.

Guy Johnston asked if there will be a posting of the points earned year to date for the volunteers to check. Tom Renz replied that it will be available at the meetings.

Motion made (Porter/Krob) to approve Lisa M. Johnson's application to go to EMT classes and be added to the Town EMS pending a complete background check. Voice vote taken with no opposition. Motion carried.

Donna Porter brought up requiring Ambulance and Fire Department employees to be subject to random drug testing and the necessity of requiring physicals of applicants. Tom Krob will check with the Wisconsin Towns Association to see if they have any guidance on the topic.

Constable – Monthly Report from Constable Mike O'Keefe – read by Chairperson Tom Krob

TOB Committee and Commission Reports:

Roads and Right-of-Way Committee

1. Recommendation of new members

Motion made (Krob/Porter) to recommend the appointment of Mark Holm as a new member of the Roads and Right-of-Way Committee. Voice vote taken with no opposition. Motion carried.

Planning Commission – Gene Ratzel

1. Class A Special Use Request-Kyle Preston
2. Class A Special Use Request-Dennis Ullom

Motion made (Webb/Porter) to recommend approval of the Class A Special Use Requests for Kyle Preston and Dennis Ullom. Voice vote taken with no opposition. Motion carried.

Tom Renz questioned if there are fire inspections required at these residences/rentals. He said he will investigate and report back to the board.

Motion to adjourn (Porter/Frint) was made. Voice vote taken with no opposition, motion carried.

The Monthly Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:38PM.

Submitted by Judy Bourassa, Clerk-Treasurer