

BARODA TOWNSHIP
Board Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2018

The Baroda Township Board met on Monday May 21, 2018 in the Baroda Municipal Building. Present were Board Members Jim Brow, Wendie Shafer, Brenda Troxell and David Wolf along with four audience members. John Harner was absent. The meeting was opened with a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Baroda-Lake Township Police Officer Jim Howell reported the Police Department had answered 201 incident calls in the month of April. He said there had been 29 calls to Baroda Township, 25 calls to the Village of Baroda and 125 calls to Lake Township. The remainder of the calls were for mutual aid given to areas outside the jurisdiction.

Fire Chief Larry Klug gave a report of the Fire Department activities. For the month of April He said the Fire Dept. had answered 3 calls and completed 189 man hours of training. He reported that the Rosenbauer Company had donated \$450 toward the registration of 4 firefighters who attended the FDIC conference in Indianapolis.

Jessica Enget from the Lincoln Township Library reported on the activities of the Library for the month of April and gave dates for future activities and that a grant has been awarded to upgrade the Library's internet system. She provided a report showing there had been a 1,131 total circulation by Baroda card holders in April.

Brenda Troxell presented the Treasurers report. As of April 30, 2018 Baroda Township Funds had cash balances as follows: General Fund - \$180,689.54, Library Fund - \$42.37, Road Fund - \$5000.39, Baroda Police Fund - \$161,156.26, Fire Maintenance Fund - \$116,248.23, Fire Equipment Fund - \$188,404.09, Rubbish Fund - \$174,878.69, Building Fund - \$23,757.16, Water Fund - \$121,880.48, and Tax Fund - \$918.11. She reported that an account had been set up within the General fund to track the allocation of \$5000 for a Road Fund.

Wendie Shafer reported the Planning Commission continues to work on the development of Agriculture Tourism and Wind Energy Ordinances. She also reported the May 8th Lakeshore School election results for Baroda Township were; a total of 541 people voted with 146 persons voting yes, and 394 persons voting no for the Lakeshore Schools Bond Proposal. The proposal failed throughout the School District.

Wendie Shafer made a motion, seconded by David Wolf, to amend the Baroda Township Budget by adding \$4500 expense to the General Fund and adding \$1510.00 expense to the Fire Maintenance Budget. After discussion, Vote – All yes. Motion Carried.

She reported there will be an election on August 8th on which ballot the Township will have renewals for the Fire Equipment and Police Millages as well as the bond proposal for a new fire station.

David Wolf reported after having several discussions with Wightman & Associates and Bob Getz, Village President he is satisfied with the original proposed language for a Water/Sewer Agreement with the Village. David Wolf moved, seconded by Brenda Troxell, to approve the Water/Sewer agreement as written. After discussion – By Roll Call Vote; Voting Yes – David Wolf, Jim Brow, Brenda Troxell and Wendie Shafer; Voting No- None; Absent – John Harner.

The resolution was declared adopted. It was reported that signatures on the agreement are to be witnessed and notarized.

Brenda Troxell reported that the Village Council had approved to pay 40% share of a metal roof for the Municipal Building as quoted by Mitch Sluder Construction. Discussion was held regarding whether to have new gutters installed at the time the new roof is installed. David Wolf volunteered to call to learn whether it would be needed or prudent to replace the existing gutters. No action was taken.

Board action was postponed on raising the Rubbish fee on the winter tax bills until a later date.

It was noted that a pamphlet has been created giving information on the proposal for a new fire station. It will be made available to the public in various venues in the Township and Village.

The drainage ditch on Cleveland Ave. continues to erode. Complaints have been received regarding drainage on Marrs Road from Cleveland to Holden. Wendie is to call the Drain Commissioner to report the problems.

Wendie Shafer presented a request to approve the Fireworks permit for Melrose Pyrotechnics, Inc. to do the Baroda Community Fireworks display on July 3rd. She reported the Twp. insurance agent said all looks to be in order and the Liability insurance has been submitted.

David Wolf moved, seconded by Brenda Troxell to approve the fireworks permit. After discussion, Vote – All yes. Motion Carried.

Wendie Shafer reported that Dean Schmaltz, whose term expires in June, has agreed to serve another three year term on the Baroda Township Planning Commission. Brenda Troxell moved, seconded by Wendie Shafer to reappoint Dean Schmaltz to a three year term on the Baroda Township Planning Commission. Vote – All Yes. Motion Carried.

Brenda Troxell reported that mulch is needed to be ordered to replenish the Park playground. She reported receiving a quote from Brink Wood Products to have 50 yards of mulch delivered for \$14 per yard (\$700) with a shipping charge of \$534. The total delivered charge would be \$1,234, which is less than the amount paid 4 years ago. Jim Brow moved, seconded by David Wolf to approve the purchase of 50 yards of mulch from Brink Wood Products to be delivered as soon as possible. The mulch is to be installed by the Baroda grounds keeping staff

Jim Brow presented the Consent Agenda (Minutes of the last meeting, Bills and Treasurer's Report). After discussion David wolf moved, seconded by Brenda Troxell to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Vote – All Yes. Motion Carried.

Jim Brow reported he will be volunteering at the PGA Tournament for the remainder of the week.

A report was made that there is a drainage problem on Miller Road.

The meeting was adjourned by Supervisor Jim Brow at 7:50 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Baroda Township Board is scheduled for June 18, 2018 at 7:00

Wendie Shafer,
Baroda Township Clerk