

BARODA TOWNSHIP

Board Meeting Minutes April 20th, 2020

The Baroda Township Board Held a Teleconference on Monday April 20th, 2020 with the host location at the Baroda Municipal Building at 9091 First St., Baroda. Present were Board Members Jim Brow, Brenda Troxell, David Wolf, Christina Price and Dennis Krotzer along with 1 audience members. The meeting was opened at 6:36pm with a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest- Berrien County Drain Commissioner, Christopher Quattrin. Postponed until May 18th, 2020.

Police Report- Chief of Police Shawn Martin shared the police report through email. Reporting that as of April 13, 2020 their department has handled a total of 702 calls and accidents in Baroda Township are at 10 since the first of the year. He also mentioned that festivals for 2020 need to be looked due to the COVID-19.

Fire Chief Larry Klug gave the Fire Department report. He reported total incidents for the month of March was 2, 1- Structure Fire (Assist- Mutual Aid), 1- Assist Police Agency. He reported that total hours of training for March was 190 hours, hosted in house 32.75 hours, monthly sessions 54.25 hours, outside department 8 hours and fire fighter courses 22.75 hours. The Fire Departments Donated time in March was 107 hours. New Auxiliary member on Fire Department is Bob Donarski. Baroda Fireworks will be discussed at the next Board Meeting.

Jessica Ishmael gave the Library report- On Monday March 16th the Lincoln Township Public Library closed to the public in compliance with the Governor's Executive Order 2020-09. Despite that, staff reported to the library to continue in-house projects and continue limited services until March 23rd, with release of the Executive Order 2020-21. At that time, library staff began working remotely. All materials have been renewed through May 30th, no late fines with accrue. All exciting library card accounts have been renewed through May 30th. Temporary online cards are available to patrons residing in there service communities of Lincoln, Baroda and Royalton as well as lakeshore School students and educators to support their virtual curriculum needs. A phased plan for re-opening is in development, contingent on the Governor's executive orders.

Brenda Troxell presented the Treasurers report. As of March 31st, 2020 Baroda Township Funds had cash balances as follows: General Fund = \$291,169.68, Library Fund = \$47,560.27, Road Fund = \$4,188.02, Baroda Police Fund = \$228,411.56, Fire Maintenance Fund = \$145,293.72, Fire Equipment Fund = \$5892.19, Rubbish Fund = \$228,065.17, Building Fund = \$50,731.01, Water Fund = \$128,979.05, and Tax Fund = \$948.70.

Christina Price presented the Clerk's report. After discussion Christina Price moved to approve the bills report, seconded by David Wolf. By Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes; Dennis Krotzer, David Wolf, Jim Brow, Brenda Troxell and Christina Price. Voting No, None. Motion Carried. After discussion Christina Price made a motion to accept the Amendments as presented with the correction of April 20th Date changed to March 31st. Dennis Krotzer supported. Vote – All yes. Motion Carried. After further discussion of the Budget Report Dennis Krotzer made a motion to accept as presented. David Wolf supported. Vote – All yes. Motion Carried.

Unfinished Business –

Knox Box Ordinance- Postponed

Coronavirus and Municipal Building Operations – David Wolf made a motion to follow the Governors Executive orders as to re-opening. Dennis Krotzer Supported. Vote – All yes. Motion Carried.

Large Trash Day - Postponed

New Business –

Estate of Donna Mead – Clerk Price reported that there is questions that need to be answered with the wishes of Donna Mead’s Will and that Mead’s Attorney is working on it and will take a couple months. This will be revisited once there is a response from the Attorney.

Resolution 2020-10 to Adopt Language for Millage Proposals for August 4th, 2020. Clerk Price presented the Resolution and after further discussion Brenda Troxell made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-10 as presented seconded by Dennis Krotzer. By Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes; Dennis Krotzer, David Wolf, Jim Brow, Brenda Troxell and Christina Price. Voting No, None. Motion Carried.

Ordinance Officer Report – Clerk Price presented an email from Greg Nelson that states his hours and reported duties for the months February and March. Total hours combined 5.5hrs, which consisted of reviewing ordinances and paperwork, investigating properties: 10203 Cleveland Ave, 10548 Cleveland Ave and 11470 Hills rd.

Consent Agenda-

After further discussion Christina Price made a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented. David Wolf Supported. Vote – All yes. Motion Carried.

Supervisors Comments –

Supervisor Jim Brow mentioned that he will be submitting his letter of resignation by the end of his term in November 2020. He mentioned that 20 years is good enough and it’s time to retire.

Audience Comments- None from audience, but there was discussion of the Zoom Membership and letting the Village and other Boards use the membership to hold meetings.

David Wolf made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dennis Krotzer. Vote – All yes. Motion Carried.

The meeting was adjourned by Supervisor Jim Brow at 7:34p.m.

Christina Price,
Baroda Township Clerk