# Town of Barre Board Meeting

June 13, 2018

Present: Supervisor Sean Pogue

Councilman Richard Bennett

Councilman Lynn Hill Councilman Larry Gaylard Councilman Tom McCabe

Others present: Maureen Beach, Town Clerk; Dale Brooks, Highway Superintendent; Shellye Dale-Hall, Code Enforcement Officer, Lance Mark, Town Attorney, Lee Preston, Bookkeeper, Robin Nacca, Alex Nacca, Ben Yazman, Apex, Jean Peglow, Kirk Mathes, Alice Mathes, George McKenna, DVM, Kerri Richardson, Iva McKenna, Richard Cox, Judy Cox, Cyndy VanLieshout, Christine Loss, Bill Eick, John Metzler, William Nacca, Enoch Martin, Dale Spencer, Beverly Spencer, Robert Richardson, Jan Michael, Vinton Michael, Mary Ann Donnelly, Chris Donnelly.

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by Supervisor Pogue with the salute to the flag.

#### Minutes

The minutes for May, 2018 Town Board meeting were submitted and approved.

#### SUPERVISOR'S FINACIAL REPORT

REVENUES:	Major	receipts	were:
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Town Clerk Fees	1,932.25
Justice Fees	3,782.00
Parks revenue	400.00
Safety Inspections	200.00
Insurance Recovery	2,857.82
Metered Sales	51,160.19
Maintenance Fees	4,337.30
Other Revenues	177.20

Total receipts for the month were: \$64,846.76

#### EXPENSES:

General Fund Townwide: Year to date expenses are \$173,194.00

Highway Townwide: Year to date expenses are \$386,534.00

#### TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The monthly report was submitted to Supervisor Pogue, along with the check for the local share.

# ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT

There were 7 Building Permits issued in April. There were two Zoning Board referrals and five Planning Board referrals.

#### HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Water samples and readings appropriated, Stake out request completed, Maintain and repair equipment as needed, sign repairs completed as required. Began 4-10 hours work week. Test excavations on West Lee Road at Eric Watson's property. Shared services with Towns of Albion, Ridgeway, Orleans County Highway and Villages of Albion and Medina. Cut trees and ground stumps on Mix, Gillette and Johnny Cake lane. Items that went to Municipal Auction in Palmyra: Vermeer wood chipper, 2015 Ford F150 pickup, Kubota L5740 4WD tractor, Woods 7144RD finish mower, Bush Hog 3710 10' mower, Double Drum roller, Harder 8' sander. Mowing roadsides 1<sup>st</sup> top pass, park - picnic tables and benches repaired. Grader T and L on Maple, Crane, Braggs School House, Hemlock Ridge and Hill roads, hot patching.

## ASSESSOR'S REPORT

No Report

#### BILLS

228-270	\$19,889.91
271-289	91,207.22
256	989.86
250 <b>,</b> 291-293	4,624.07
291 <b>,</b> 292	5,439.20
294	1,833.00
291	30.00
	271-289 256 250,291-293 291,292 294

#### PAY BILLS

RESOLUTION #25 Pay Bills

Richard Bennett made a motion to approve and pay the bills, seconded by Larry Gaylard. Vote 5-0, passed.

## PLANNING BOARD

Kirk Mathes reported that the cell tower on the Carr Farm had not paid the \$250.00 Special Use Permit Fee, they now paid the fee. He also reported that there is a prospective buyer for the Barre Center Grange. It would be used for ceramics. It will have to go the Zoning Board, the Planning Board and the County Planning Board because of the holding tank.

#### UTILITIES COMMITTEE

Councilman Richard Bennett gave the rest of the Town Board members copies of Water Ordinances from several other towns, Councilman Bennett feels that the Town Board needs to review our current Water Ordinances.

# BOOKKEEPER'S REPORT

Account	Ending Balance
General Fund	\$480,365.65
Highway Fund	698,459.23
Highway Equip.	195,908.43
Water Dist. #1 Oper,	220,343.43
Water Dist. #2 Oper,	21,012.08
Water Dist. #3 Oper,	15,930.56
Water Dist. #4 Oper,	45,386.23
Water Dist. #5 Oper	51,334.35
Water Dist. #6 Oper.	26,271.50
Water Dist. #7 Oper.	14,775.87
Water Dist. #8 Oper.	11,237.08

#### NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #26 Chatfield Engineers Merger

Tom McCabe made a motion to that, due to the fact the Chatfield Engineers is merging with the MRB Group, the Town Board allow the Supervisor, Sean Pogue, to sign any contract with the newly formed group, the motion was seconded by Larry Gaylard. Vote 5-0, passed

#### OLD BUSINESS

# Water District #8

RESOLUTION #27 WD#8/Engineering Amendment, No #1 Richard Bennett made a motion to approve the Engineering Amendment No#1 as submitted by Chatfield Engineers: Previous work completed in the Study and Report Phase - \$1,214.63, Additional previous work completed in the Construction Phase - \$2,500.00, and Resident Project Representation Services - \$1,287.00. Larry Gaylard seconded. Vote 5-0, passed.

RESOLUTION #28 WD#8/Change Order #3 and Payment Application #5 Lynn Hill made a motion to approve the Change Order #3 and the Payment Application #5, this is the final Application for Payment, as submitted by Chatfield Engineers, for Water District #8, seconded Richard Bennett. Vote 5-0, passed.

# Joint Municipal Agreement Between Barre and the Town of Albion RESOLUTION #29 Water Agreement/Town of Albion

Richard Bennett made a motion to approve and sign the "Joint Municipal Agreement Between The Town of Albion and The Town of Barre, seconded by Larry Gaylard. Vote 5-0, passed.

#### Bicentennial Committee

There was a meeting on June 5, at the Town Hall. We need assistance with games, parking, etc. The tractor show needs help with an organizer. Cyndy VanLieshout asked for names of any older than 98 years old.

RESOLUTION #30 Bicentennial/Budget Transfer Richard Bennett made a motion to transfer \$4,000.00 from General Fund to A7550.4 - Celebrations Contractual. The motion was seconded by Lynn Hill. Vote5-0, passed.

#### New Business

# Water District #10

RESOLUTION #31 WD#10/Preliminary Engineering Report Tom McCabe made a motion to accept the Preliminary Engineering Report for Water District #9, seconded by Larry Gaylard. Vote 5-0, passed.

## Water District #11

RESOLUTION #32 WD#11/Income Survey

Richard Bennett made a motion to move forward with the Income Survey for Water District #11, seconded by Lynn Hill. Vote 5-0, passed.

# <u>Connection Fee</u> to Established District

RESOLUTION #33 Connection Fee/Established District

After Town Attorney, Lance Mark consulted with the NYS Comptroller's Office, Richard Bennett made a motion to deny the request from Eric Watson to have the Town of Barre pay the cost of instillation of the Water Main in order that he may hook up to public water on West Lee Road. Tom McCabe seconded the motion. Vote 5-0, passed.

Orleans County Legislature - Legislator Bill Eick reported on the progress of the addition of the Orleans County Administration Building.

## Association of Municipalities Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Orleans County Association of Municipalities will be June 26, 2018, at the Village Inn at 6:30pm. The guest speaker will be Edward Carey from NYMEP (NY Municipal Energy Program.) The Town of Barre is hosting.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Kerri Richardson - She asked the Town Board to postpone the decision, especially on Root Road due to the location to ponds, wet lands and the National Iroquois Wildlife Refuge, due to birds and bees.

# PUBLIC COMMENTS Con't

Kirk Mathes - he feels that the issue of the Met towers should not be discussed again today at this board meeting, the Public Hearing is over. He mentioned seeing birds on MET towers.

Alex Nacca — He asked that anyone that is on the Town Board or other board in the Town of Barre, and is helping or aiding Apex should be fined or removed from office. This would include: Paul Gillette, Richard Miller, Kirk Mathes, and Sean Poque.

Robin Nacca - She questioned the 1500' overlay on the Wind Turbines.

William Nacca - He asked that Supervisor Pogue read section 2.9, (Alternatives), (b) (1) from the Preliminary Scoping Statement that was submitted by Apex. Mr. Pogue did so.

George McKenna — he requested that the MET tower application be tabled, we need to learn more about Article 10. He is looking forward to the meeting on July 18, 2018. He has had no reply to his internet concerns. He wished all this could have been postponed until after the Bicentennial Celebration. The Town will not miss out on any opportunities by postponing. George McKenna is wondering if anyone from the Town Board has spoken to Supervisor Norton from Arkwright.

Iva McKenna — she asked why not do more research on Met towers for SEQR, and the Root Road application is in the Wetlands, this needs to be looked at.

Maryann Donnelly - Thanked the Town Board for their time that they have spent on this issue. She discussed the environmental impact of MET towers, defined the term "Environmental Justice", we must look at the bigger picture. She also discussed Mercy Flight not being able to fly through a Wind Turbine Farm.

John Metzler - he read from the April Town Board minutes, regarding conflicted people. He asked again for all conflicted people to be removed from office.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS Con't

Vinnie Michael - He listed other projects that were turned down here in the Town of Barre, why is this project going ahead?

Chris Moss — She would like a Town Board to move forward and pass the Resolution to allow the MET towers so we can find out more information.

Jane Michael - She asked at what cost? She questioned who on the Town Board has been asked to have a contract?

Ben Yazman — He answered some of the concerns that were raised at this meeting. The money that the Town of Arkwright received was a Bond, the Town of Barre has a \$10,000.00 Bond also. He discussed the data from the MET towers, and he stated that Apex has met with Mercy Flight regarding the Wind Towers.

William Nacca - He hopes that the Town Board votes no, and thinks of the residents that are not getting contracts.

John Metzler — He asked the Town Board for a cooling off period to settle the conflicted persons issues.

Iva McKenna - She read a letter from Jane Harper, a Tipton County, Indiana Commissioner, warning the Howard County officials about the many pitfalls of wind energy development. Ms. Harper now regrets voting pro-wind. Ms. McKenna also read a report from Dave McKinley from WGRZ regarding the Thruway windmills not working.

George McKenna - He made mention of the post card that he received in the mail, two years later. He said that he hopes the Town Board will be sending a survey to all residents about concerns, He agrees with John Metzler, the Town Board should not have vote if they are at all conflicted.

Kerri Richardson — she asked about the Town Board members forming a Wind Ordinance Committee, who would look at current Wind Ordinances, and discuss and purpose any changes. She would like this on the July agenda.

Iva McKenna - she stated that any concerns should be discussed now.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS Con't

John Metzler - He asked why this company, why Apex? There are many companies and Vortex Generator turbines have no blades.

RESOLUTION #34 Special Use Permit/MET Towers/Apex
Lynn Hill made a motion, and Richard Bennett seconded the motion,
to approve the Special Use Permit Applications submitted by
Apex/Heritage Wind for Meteorological Towers at 5140 Angevine Road
and on Root Road with the following conditions:

The Town of Barre Planning Board had 11 recommendations:

- 1. The applicant shall comply with rules, regulations, license, and permit requirements of all other agencies with authority over this project, including but not limited to the Federal Aviation Administration.
- 2. If lighting of the meteorological tower is not required by the FFA, the Barre Town Board may nevertheless exercise its own discretion to determine what lighting, if any is necessary in the interest of Public safety.
- 3. Would like a time line schedule for the project, update as necessary. (The time line should include erection of the MET tower to the time it will be removed.
- 4. Fence around the MET tower and/or guide wire markers as requested by property owner.
- 5. Maintenance, including mowing inside fence by landowner.
- 6. Summary of data collected (semi-annual).
- 7. Special Use Permit to be renewed yearly.
- 8. Town to obtain a copy of property deed.
- 9. Town to obtain wind/ice calculations from tower manufacturer.
- 10. Performance bond required.
- 11. Three year maximum duration on MET tower installation

Record of Vote: Sean Pogue - Aye

Lynn Hill - Aye Tom McCabe - Aye

Larry Gaylard - Abstains

Richard Bennett - Aye

Motion passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:35pm

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Beach, Town Clerk