

TOWN OF BARTON

DONALD FOSTER, SUPERVISOR

MINUTES – AUGUST 12, 2024 @ 6:30 PM

Via In-Person

Board Members Present: Supervisor Donald Foster, Councilperson Michael Rice, Councilperson Kevin Everly, Councilperson Jeffrey Coleman, Councilperson David Shipman

Board Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Dan Shay, Deputy Highway Superintendent; Arrah Richards-McCarty, Town Clerk

Guests:

Andy Aronstam, Village of Waverly
Nicole Lamberti, Morning Times

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Supervisor Donald Foster.

Pledge of Allegiance

Privilege of the Floor

Village of Waverly Mayor Andy Aronstam spoke on behalf of the Waverly Recreation Department. The Waverly Recreation Department services about 2,400 people/year. Any child that is within the Waverly school district is served by the Waverly Recreation Department. The Waverly Recreation Booster Club is putting together a fundraiser to support Waverly youth athletics. A flyer was handed to the town board.

Approval of Minutes: A **motion** to approve last month's regular board meeting minutes as submitted by the Town Clerk made by Councilperson Dave Shipman, seconded by Councilperson Kevin Everly.

5-Ayes, 0-Noes

Vouchers: A **motion** to approve the vouchers made by Councilperson Mike Rice, seconded by Councilperson Jeff Coleman.

- General Fund \$21,009.98
- Highway \$23,846.72
- Water/Sewer..... \$29,657.95

5-Ayes, 0-Noes

Personnel:

Town Clerk Arrah Richards-McCarty

- 1. **Electronics Drive** was a success. We filled up in the first two hours.
- 2. **Penelec** –Spoke with Andrew Onoratti, Customer Account Specialist with Penelec. The tariffs that Trustee Keith Correll was talking about are rates that are set by the state. All in all, when converting 12 or more lights that have 20-years of life or more, there are no hidden fees, only savings.
The board requested to table this matter for the time being.

Deputy Highway Superintendent Dan Shay

- 1. Got pretty lucky with the rain. A couple trees came down during the storm.
- 2. A wall came down on Old Route 34. The department started putting it back up and is hoping to have it completed by the end of this week.
- 3. A man took out the fence outside the highway building along with some trees and came down and struck the fuel tank. The Highway Department removed all the trees along the bank by the railroad tracks.

New Business

- 1. The town has accumulated costs with the abatement of 311 and 313 Norris Road. The town does not currently have a separate line item in the budget to track expenses on this matter. This proposed resolution modifies the town’s budget to create a new line item in the B-fund to track the costs and keep them separate.

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ADOPTED 08/12/2024

RESOLUTION NO 31-2024

ESTABLISH NEW BUDGET LINE ITEM B8510.4 –
COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION (EXPENDITURE)

WHEREAS, the Town of Barton deems it necessary to establish a new line in the Town Budget (B8510.4 – Community Beautification) for property nuisance abatements; and

WHEREAS, amending the Town of Barton’s fiscal budget requires town board approval; and

NOW THEREFORE upon a motion by Councilperson Dave Shipman, seconded by Councilperson Mike Rice and carried; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that on this day, August 12, 2024, the Town Board of the Town of Barton, County of Tioga, State of New York approves the establishment of a new budget line item B8510.4 – Community Beautification (Expenditure).

Roll Call Vote:

Mike Rice	Aye
Kevin Everly	Aye
Donald Foster	Aye
Jeffrey Coleman	Aye
Dave Shipman	Aye

2. This budget modification increases sales tax revenues by \$10,000. We are not taking this money out of existing budget revenue for the Highway in the DB account which will remain at \$700,000. We are projected to exceed \$700,000 by the end of the year and that is where this money is coming from. As stated before, we will hopefully get reimbursed at the beginning of next year [from the abatement of Norris Road] and if she doesn't pay on time, she would have to pay an additional 1% per month penalty up to a total of 5%. Anyone in the Village of Waverly is not going to be paying for this; only the area outside the village.

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ADOPTED 08/12/2024

RESOLUTION NO 32-2024

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

WHEREAS, the Town of Barton was presented with the budget modifications for the 2024 year; and

WHEREAS, budget modifications require town board approval; and

NOW THEREFORE upon a motion by Councilperson Jeff Coleman, seconded by Councilperson Dave Shipman and carried; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Town of Barton Town Board approves the following budget modifications:

INCREASE	B1120	SALES TAX	\$10,000	
INCREASE	B8510.4	COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION		\$10,000

Roll Call Vote:

Mike Rice	Aye
Kevin Everly	Aye
Donald Foster	Aye
Jeffrey Coleman	Aye
Dave Shipman	Aye

3. This agreement between the Waverly CSD and the Town of Barton has expired and is due for renewal. The person who benefits the most from this agreement would be the Town of Barton Code Officer. For security reasons, it helps track the gasoline usage.

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ADOPTED 08/12/2024
RESOLUTION NO 33-2024

RENEW FUELING STATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN
WAVERLY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE
TOWN OF BARTON

WHEREAS, The Town Board of the Town of Barton wishes to renew the fueling station agreement between the Town of Barton and the Waverly Central School District; and **NOW THEREFORE** upon a motion by Councilperson Mike Rice, seconded by Councilperson Dave Shipman and carried; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Barton wishes to renew the fueling station agreement between Waverly Central School District and the Town of Barton; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Barton Town Board grants the Town Supervisor the authority to sign any documentation necessary relating to the agreement.

Roll Call Vote:

Mike Rice	Aye
Kevin Everly	Aye
Donald Foster	Aye
Jeffrey Coleman	Aye
Dave Shipman	Aye

- The family was scheduled to have their pool delivered Saturday and paid the Village of Waverly \$70 for a pool fill. The pool came early, on Friday, and the outside spigot was used to fill about a foot of water to set the liner. The owners are asking for forgiveness on the water and sewer due to already paying for a pool fill.

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ADOPTED 08/12/2024
RESOLUTION NO 34-2024

WATER/SEWER BILL ADJUSTMENT DUE TO LEAK-
EMILY GEORGE

WHEREAS, Town of Barton water/sewer owner, Emily George, requested water/sewer forgiveness for the property located at 11 Dodge Ave., Waverly, New York due to a paid pool fill; and

WHEREAS, Village of Waverly Clerk's office confirmed the work order which was supposed to take place on Saturday, June 22, 2024 but came early and was setup on Friday, June 21, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the pool needed to have water in it in order to set the liner; and

WHEREAS, the garden hose was used to fill the pool about one foot up prior to the meter getting popped off; and

WHEREAS, the Water and Sewer Clerk calculated how many gallons it took to fill the 18-foot above-ground pool with one foot of water; and

NOW THEREFORE upon a motion by Councilperson Dave Shipman, seconded by Councilperson Mike Rice and carried; be it
RESOLVED, the Town of Barton Town Board, Tioga County, New York approves the owner's request to adjust the water and sewer portion of the recent water and sewer bill due to a paid work order; and be it
FURTHER RESOLVED, the water and sewer bill be reduced from \$572.17 to \$432.49, with an adjustment to the water portion totaling \$39.11 and an adjustment to the sewer portion totaling \$100.57, with a total adjustment totaling \$139.68; and be it
FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution be forwarded to the Village of Waverly.

Roll Call Vote:

Mike Rice	Aye
Kevin Everly	Aye
Donald Foster	Aye
Jeffrey Coleman	Aye
Dave Shipman	Aye

5. The Town Board received a letter from the Wbfd Fire Commissioners with an offer to convey the former Barton Fire Substation property to the Town of Barton. Due to acquiring real property, a public hearing must be set.

Motion to schedule public hearing for September 9, 2024, at 6:45pm made by Councilperson Dave Shipman, seconded by Councilperson Jeff Coleman.

Roll Call Vote:

Mike Rice	Aye
Kevin Everly	Aye
Donald Foster	Abstain
Jeffrey Coleman	Aye
Dave Shipman	Aye

Old Business

Councilperson Dave Shipman asked if the town is still getting the new truck that was approved. Supervisor Foster answered that Highway Superintendent still requested to put in the truck as soon as we can. So the purchase of the truck is still in effect, it's just the build date has been extended so we don't know when we're going to get it.

Motion to go into executive session at 6:58 pm regarding personnel matters made by Councilperson Kevin Everly, seconded by Councilperson Dave Shipman.

Motion to come out of executive session at 7:12 pm made by Councilperson Kevin Everly, seconded by Councilperson Dave Shipman.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:12 pm made by Councilperson Dave Shipman, seconded by Councilperson Jeff Coleman. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Arrah Richards-McCarty
Town of Barton Town Clerk