

VILLAGE OF BARODA MEETING MINUTES

Berrien County, Michigan
Board of Trustees Meeting
Regular Meeting
August 4, 2025

President, Michael Price called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Michael Price, Katie Zordell, Robert Feickert, Nikki Andrews, Julie Elliott, Steve Hillhouse, Jack Lewis.

Employees Present: Debbie Wishart, Gloria Payne, Tony Cochran.

There were guests signed in.

Audience Comment: Audience comments were heard.

1. Approved August 4, 2025, Agenda with updates. Michael Price made a motion to approve 2nd by Robert Feickert, all ayes, motion carried.
2. Approved July 7, 2025, Meeting Minutes as amended. Michael Price made a motion to approve 2nd by Katie Zordell, all ayes, motion carried.
3. Approved paying bills- \$42,405.04. Motion made by Robert Feickert 2nd by Jack Lewis. Roll Call Vote: Robert Feickert, Katie Zordell, Michael Price, Steve Hillhouse, Nikki Andrews, Julie Elliott, Jack Lewis, All Ayes motion carried.
4. Approved payroll \$23,434.86. Motion made by Michel Price 2nd by Robert Feickert. Roll Call Vote: Robert Feickert, Katie Zordell, Michael Price, Steve Hillhouse, Nikki Andrews, Julie Elliott, Jack Lewis. All ayes motion carried.

Reports

1. Treasurer's Report – Fund balances were provided
2. Clerk's Report – No comments heard
3. DPW Report- Not present
4. CGA- Will provide report next month after next CGA meeting.

New Business:

1. Wightman- WRS Water Reliability Study -Steve Carlisle from was present to review the WRS proposal answering questions and providing insight on the WRS. Robert Feickert made a motion to accept the \$19,000 WRS and General Plan and the \$3,900 Asset Management Plan if required by EGLE. The motion was 2nd by Jack Lewis. Roll Call Vote: Robert Feickert, Katie Zordell, Michael Price, Steve Hillhouse, Nikki Andrews, Julie Elliott, Jack Lewis. All ayes motion carried.
2. Bridge/Sidewalk repair- Steve Carlisle gave insight and options for repairs.

Unfinished Business:

1. Park Sign- Tigmaster needs names for completion.
2. Recorder- To date they have not been ordered.

Committees:

1. Finance Committee – Nothing Heard
2. Personnel Committee-

- Gloria Payne 60-day review was completed. A motion to for a \$2.00 increase was made by Robert Feickert and 2nd by Jack Lewis. Roll Call Vote: Robert Feickert, Katie Zordell, Michael Price, Steve Hillhouse, Nikki Andrews, Jack Lewis, were Ayes Julie Elliott was a no vote, motion carried.
 - Andrew Spitzke- Discussion on Andrew being a full-time employee was heard. Monthly hours will be provided to trustees for review.
 - Nick Skorupa – Discussion on Nick obtaining a CDL. The Personnel Committee will construct a certification expense agreement.
3. Planning Committee- Donna Ryan, Planning Chair, will be discussing lowering the number of members on the Planning Committee at the next planning meeting
4. Policy & Procedure: Nothing heard.

Council Comments:

Robert Feickert – Questions on sewer funds

Nikki Andrews -Fire Station movie night

Julie Elliott – Ask attorney about dissolution of the Village

Katie Zordell –Asked for updates on the park sign, who has donation list for the park, requested status of slide at park, recorders need to be ordered.

Steve Hillhouse –Surf Air issues

Jack Lewis – Questioned if Pitbull's are allowed in the village and we have no ordinance against it.

President's – Nothing heard

Audience Comments were taken

Meeting adjourned at: 8:13 PM

Debbie Wishart, Clerk

Michael Price, President