

Village of Baroda Council Meeting Minutes
Berrien County, Michigan
Special Meeting
February 12, 2026

The meeting was called to order by President Michael Price at 6:30 p.m. and began with the Pledge of Allegiance

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Michael Price, President, Katie Zordell, Robert “Bob” Feickert, Julie Elliott, Nikki Andrews, John “Jack” Lewis and Steven Hillhouse.

VILLAGE OF BARODA LEGAL COUNSEL

Jessica Fette of Banyon Fette Law Office

EMPLOYEES PRESENT

Gloria Payne, Clerk

AUDIENCE

Thirty visitors were present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Baroda Village President's Recommendation to serve on the Village of Baroda Dissolution Commission

President Price recommended Donna Ryan to serve on the Village of Baroda Dissolution Commission.

Donna Ryan gave a brief account of her background. She stated that she served on the Village of Baroda Council, and she currently serves as the Planning Commission Chair for the Village of Baroda.

Motion by John “Jack” Lewis seconded by Katie Zordell to appoint Donna Ryan to serve on the Village of Baroda Dissolution Commission.

Roll Call Vote: Michael Price Yes; Katie Zordell Yes; Robert “Bob” Feickert No; Julie Elliott No; Nikki Andrews No; Steve Hillhouse No; John “Jack” Lewis Yes. Motion failed.

President Price recommended Julie Elliott to serve on the Village of Baroda Dissolution Commission.

Julie Elliott gave her reasons for wanting to be on the Dissolution Commission. She is currently serving as a member of the Village of Baroda Council, and the Community Growth Alliance.

It was moved by Robert “Bob” Feickert, seconded by Steve Hillhouse to appoint Julie Elliott to the Village of Baroda Dissolution Commission. Roll Call Vote: All Yes. Motion carried.

President Price recommended himself, Michael Price, to serve on the Village of Baroda Dissolution Commission.

Robert “Bob” Feickert commented that he felt that appointing Michael Price would place him in a precarious position, since Christina Price is his wife. While this is not a legal conflict of interest, it might not bode well to remain impartial.

Motion by John “Jack” Lewis, seconded by Katie Zordell to appoint Michael Price to the Village of Baroda Dissolution Commission.

Roll Call Vote: Michael Price Yes; Katie Zordell Yes; Robert “Bob” Feickert No; Julie Elliott No; Nikki Andrews No; Steve Hillhouse No; John “Jack” Lewis Yes. Motion failed.

President Price called for nominations from the floor to the Disincorporation Commission. President Price recommended Nikki Andrews to serve on the Village of Baroda Dissolution Commission.

It was moved by Julie Elliott, seconded by Katie Zordell to appoint Nikki Andrews to the Disincorporation Commission.

Roll Call Vote: All Yes. Motion carried.

President Price nominated Bradley Mattner to serve on the Village of Baroda Dissolution Commission.

It was moved by Robert “Bob” Feickert, seconded by John “Jack” Lewis to appoint Bradley Mattner to the Disincorporation Commission.

Bradley Mattner reported he is a Village resident, a certified Zoning Administrator/Planner with the City of Bridgman.

Roll Call Vote: All Yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

William Hurst, Baroda Township Treasurer asked who is going to lead at the first meeting.

It was determined the President of the Village of Baroda, names the Chair. Further, the Village of Baroda Clerk serves as the secretary of the Disincorporation Commission.

A question was asked who is currently on the Disincorporation Commission from Baroda Township. Dennis Krotzer responded himself and Christina Price.

Dennis Krotzer commented that he plans on appointing a third representative at his next Baroda Township board meeting. He further commented that we need to be flexible and not use “thou shalt not...” attitudes.

Cindy Shepherd asked where these meetings will be held and where they be posted.

The meetings will be posted on the Baroda Village website and on the Village side of the municipal building that the Village and the Township share.

Robert “Bob” Feickert commented since the Village of Baroda is the funding source, the Village Treasurer will have to develop a budget, to find out what dollar amount we will need.

Bradley Mattner commented he would be willing not to be compensated for being on the Disincorporation Commission.

Donna Ryan commented that Bradley Mattner is an excellent choice to service on the Disincorporation Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further comment and no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Michael Price, President _____

Gloria A. Payne, Clerk _____