

# VILLAGE OF BARODA REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the Village of Baroda Council Meeting held on Monday, February 5, 2024, at 6:30pm.

## Roll Call Completed

**Present:** Michael Price, Katie Strefling, Bob Feickert, Jack Lewis, Mel Tollas, Jodi Mattner, Katie Zordell

**Employees Present:** Amber Osha, Paula Bryan, Anthony Cochran, Andrew Spitzke, Grant Bly, Terry Lear

**Also Present:** Doreen Schultz, Christina Price, Kathy Kissane, Andre P., Kelly Clark, Doug Anderson

**Audience Comments:** Andrew Spitzke- has concerns about the DPW plowing. There was discussion about it.

## Approve/Amend Agenda

**Motioned** by Mel Tollas, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Katie Strefling to DPW Foreman to top of agenda above reports and to add park equipment under Park Committee. Ayes-7 Nays-0 **Motion Carried**

## Approve Minutes for January 9, 2024

**Motion** by Jodi Mattner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mel Tollas to approve the minutes with the amendment to add “Motion Carried” where needed. **Motion Carried.**

## Approve paying of the bills in the amount of \$32,372.95.

**Motion** made by Bob Feickert, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jack Lewis. **Motion Carried**

### Roll Call Vote:

Michael Price-Yes  
Mel Tollas- Yes  
Katie Strefling- Yes  
Jodi Mattner- Yes  
Bob Feickert- Yes  
Jack Lewis-Yes  
Katie Zordell-Yes

## Approve payroll in the amount of \$27,937.62.

**Motion** by Bob Feickert, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jodi Mattner

### Roll Call Vote:

Michael Price-Yes  
Mel Tollas- Yes

Katie Strefling- Yes  
Jodi Mattner- Yes  
Bob Feickert- Yes  
Jack Lewis-Yes  
Katie Zordell-Yes

**DPW Foreman- Motion** made by Mel Tollas, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Katie Strefling to accept the job description for Department of Public Works Foreman. **Motion Carried.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Michael Price-Yes  
Mel Tollas- Yes  
Katie Strefling- Yes  
Jodi Mattner- Yes  
Bob Feickert- No  
Jack Lewis-Yes  
Katie Zordell-Yes

**Motion** made by Mel Tollas, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Katie Zordell to offer Terry Lear the Foreman position with a \$2.00 an hour raise starting Tuesday, February 6, 2024. He is still eligible for his one-year review with possible raise and a possible raise after he obtains his licensing for water and sewer. **Motion Carried.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Michael Price-Yes  
Mel Tollas- Yes  
Katie Strefling- Yes  
Jodi Mattner- Yes  
Bob Feickert- Yes  
Jack Lewis-Yes  
Katie Zordell-Yes

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer, Paula Bryan, presented the Board with Preliminary Budget for 2024/2025. There was discussion on it.

**Clerk's Report:** The Clerk, Amber Osha, advised the Council that musicians and food trucks are being scheduled for Music in the Park. **Motion** made by Katie Strefling, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Katie Zordell to have Mel Tollas fill- in for the Clerk when she is at training. **Motion NOT Carried.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Michael Price-No  
Mel Tollas- Abstain  
Katie Strefling- Yes  
Jodi Mattner- No  
Bob Feickert- No  
Jack Lewis-Yes

Katie Zordell-Yes

**Park Committee: Motion** made by Bob Feickert, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mel Tollas, to purchase the Revolutionary Spinner and slide with installation from quote number 3230 from Great Lakes Recreation Co. up to \$24,000, being funded out of the \$12,000 allocated for Park equipment, \$2500 from the Honor Credit Union donation, and the balance from the reserve fund. **Motion Carried.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Michael Price-Yes  
Mel Tollas- Yes  
Katie Strefling- Yes  
Jodi Mattner- Yes  
Bob Feickert- Yes  
Jack Lewis-Yes  
Katie Zordell-Yes

**Finance Committee:** Nothing

**Review Committee:** Andrew Spitzke and Grant Bly are due for yearly reviews.

**Planning Commission:** Surveys have been picked up by Wightman and are being reviewed.

**New Business:**

- 1) **Working Holiday vs. Pad Holidays-** the Clerk had some concern that if the office is closed for a holiday, but it is not paid off, can employees come in and work even if the office is closed to the public. There was some discussion, and it was determined yes.
- 2) **Water Tower Contract-** There was discussion that the contract with Leary Construction has expired. Michael Price had gotten a quote from Dixon Engineering & Inspection Services. It was tabled until the fall.
- 3) **AJ Mottl Contract- Motion** made by Bob Feickert, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Michael Price to accept the new contract with the change of Watervliet and to add an ending date. **Motion Carried.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Michael Price-Yes  
Mel Tollas- No  
Katie Strefling- Yes  
Jodi Mattner- Yes  
Bob Feickert- Yes  
Jack Lewis-Yes  
Katie Zordell-Yes

**Council Comments:**

**Bob Feickert-** Thanked Michael Price for emailing the proposed budget out on time. Asked the clerk if she could work on sending out all exhibits with the agenda. He thanked the Trustees involved in getting the estimates for the park. Bob also asked about the status of the generator, it should be here Wednesday or Thursday.

**Katie Zordell-**Nothing

**Katie Strefling-** Is there something with Round Barn's sewer that we need to do something with? Yes, this will be addressed with Anthony Cockran to see what needs to be done. Katie also questioned if there is a local company that we could hire to grade the ground level in the alley behind 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.

**Jodi Mattner-** Nothing

**Jack Lewis:** Would like to see job descriptions for all Village positions.

**Mel Tollas-** would like to reiterate that if members of committees should be at all Committee meetings. Questioned there being a Permits & Fees Committee. She would like another copy of the fees for the local municipalities. Mel also announced that she was running for President of the Village.

**Michael Price-** Stated that the review committee needs to set up the reviews that are due. He thanked Paula Bryan for all the work she did on the budget.

Audience Comments:

**Kelly Clark-** is concerned that the Village does not have an ordinance for peddler's going door to door and would like to see the Village change that.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:12pm.**

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**Amber Osha**  
**Village Clerk**

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**Michael Price**  
**Village President**