

TOWN OF BARRE BOARD MEETING January 10, 2026

Board Present Don Fruit, Chair; Bob Miller & John McGowan Supervisors

STAFF PRESENT Clerk Kristin Radde, Treasurer Meri McKinney

CALL TO ORDER - Chair Don Fruit called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was properly posted on the website and at the Town Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by John for a consensus approval of last month's meeting minutes, treasurer's report, and vouchers, seconded by Bob; minutes, treasurer's reports, and vouchers approved.

Meri shared information on her treasure's report about the CDs that are up for renewal on 1/14/26. John makes a motion to combine the CDs to a 12 month at 3.55%. Bob seconds. Motion passed.

Marcus Schmitz is requesting to rezone 13-acre parcel from Agricultural/Residential to commercial. Discussion between the board, town residents, and Marcus took place. Don makes a motion to deny the request. Bob seconds. Motion passed.

Don shared updates from the CTRIC (County Town Road Improvement Committee). He participated in reviewing grants submitted and ranked them on which should be passed along to the state. Drectrah Road projects was moved down the list as it better fits with a different program and timeframe. (ARIP)

Winter Road Maintenance Policy – Backup is to have another community member who is qualified, or to use the county. Don reached out to the county to see what the costs/availability would be.

Planning commission – Don reviewed the draft of an ordinance for a planning commission. Versions found in the town documents were incomplete. Planning committee members suggested they can review the draft ordinance and make suggestions.

Citizen concerns were brought up on the resident on the corner of O/OA with junk in his yard. He has been issued tickets. Don will continue to work with the county.

Bostwick mobile home park – garage built too close to the road. Don reached out to the legal department about vacating the road.

West Salem Fire District Protection Meeting - Don updated that the fire district is still looking into getting a new fire truck. Members of the district are asking the department to look into repairs on the current truck. Greg Hudson was reelected as fire chief. Feb 7 8a-11a they are hosting a pancake breakfast.

John motioned to adjourn, Bob seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Radde Clerk – Town of Barre