**TOWN OF BARRE BOARD MEETING April 11th, 2023**

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Chairman Ron Reed, Supervisors Bob Miller and John McGowan

**STAFF PRESENT** Clerk Ann Schlimgen, Treasurer Dawn Hemker, and Patrolman Todd Solberg

**CALL TO ORDER** - Chair Ron Reed called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. the meeting was properly posted.

**MINUTES, TREASURER'S REPORT & VOUCHERS -** Motion by Bob for a consensus approval of last month’s meeting minutes, treasurer's report and vouchers and seconded by John. Minutes, treasurer’s reports, and vouchers approved.

**Election Update –** Ann shared the results of the Spring Election. She also thanked the Election Ladies that worked. Our Barre Ladies are Awesome!

**Kent Gabrielsen –** N2825 Demlow Road. Kent wants to build a detached garage. The garage he would like to build is 28.4 feet high. Because his lot size is less than 10 acres (his is 9.6) he needs a variance to build this. Kent stated garage could not be seen from the road. After discussion, Bob made a motion to let County know we approve the garage. John wanted to make sure neighbors were ok with it. John was informed that neighbors are sent the notice for the County board meeting on the 17th and that they can come to that meeting if they have any concerns. John then seconded the motion. Motion approved.

**La Crosse County Broadband –** La Crosse County has a new Community Development Specialist. He is looking for someone in Barre to be a contact person as they work to bring broadband to areas that are underserved. Don Fruit has volunteered for this position. Ann will get info to the County. Thanks Don!

**La Crosse County Bridge information -** County is requesting info on all bridge-like structures 6 - 20 feet. Todd will work on this project and bring info to the May meeting.

**No Mow May** - Barre does not have a mowing ordinance at this time so residents are welcome to join no mow May if they choose. However, the Town of Barre, due to safety on the roadsides, will not be participating in this.

**Road Report** – Todd was working on Drectrah Rd. He also brought up changing the fence at the cemetery. For now, he will leave it and together with the board they will look at it during the road tour, which we scheduled for April 21st at 10:00 am. April 28 & 29 is big dump weekend.

**CITIZEN/PARK CONCERNS** – Dave Bohnsack said the park would open on the 28th and is rented on the 30th. Brickl is currently there doing the addition work and should be done around the end of the month.

Dean Lee is building a detached garage on his land. No variance is needed and has a permit. Gave town our copy and Ann will forward a copy to Bud Raymer.

**Board Concerns –**There is currently a Burning Ban on. Ann will check with Joe on Drogseth Bridge right of way. Ann told the board about upcoming BOR training and WTA workshops. She said if they'd like to go fill out paperwork and give it to me so I can send in with a check.

John motioned to adjourn the meeting; Bob seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Ann Schlimgen Clerk – Town of Barre