**TOWN OF BARRE BOARD MEETING July 12, 2022**

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Chairperson Ron Reed, Supervisor Bob Miller, Absent Supervisor John McGowan

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

CALL TO ORDER - Chair Ron Reed called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. 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 Ron. Motion approved.

**Matt Berg** - Matt came before the board with application for a Conditional use Variance to build a hunting shed on his land. The County board has approved it, pending the Towns approval. Schweirs were present and wanted the brush, stumps etc cleaned up first before this was approved. The board saw this as two different concerns. Ron made a motion to approve the Variance and Bob seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The board then addressed the concern over the brush etc., as it was not listed as a separate agenda item because it was all thought to originally be one topic. This dispute over fence has been brought to board last year along with the downed trees. The board has agreed to go out and look at the fence/trees. This will be done on Wednesday July 20th at 4:00 pm. Ann will post.

**Appointed Clerk/Treasurer Ordinance -** As discussed in the June meeting, Ann brought before the board an Ordinance to appoint both the Town Clerk and Town Treasurer to their positions. Bob made a motion to approve the ordinance, Ron seconded. Motion approved and signed. Ann will post and send to the County to get as a referendum question on the November ballot.

**Road Report** – Todd is continuing to mow. New tractor has capability to cut back trees. He is doing this at the time of mowing so it slows down the process. Todd cleaned up more down trees and filled in a sink hole by Drechtrah Rd.

**CITIZEN/PARK CONCERNS** – County Supervisor Ken Schlimgen told about 2 County programs. The first is a grant for up to $50,000 for homeowners or $100,000 on a multi unit property, to knock down an old building and rebuild as needed. The second are grants available for rural La Crosse communities to make storm water improvements. This may be beneficial to Barre to apply for the Drectrah Coulee culvert or other areas as well. These grant applications will be on-line on the County website after their July meeting.

**BOARD CONCERNS – Ann** Let board know she would be out of town for vacation July 22 - 30. She will be available through email and doing absentee ballots as needed. Ann inquired about the WTA quarterly meeting to be held at our Town hall. It will be the 3 or 4th Thursday of August. We will talk more as we have a monthly board meeting in August before this WTA meeting. Ann may be out of town for the WTA meeting and Dawn will be gone for the August board meeting.

Bob received a quote from Simmons Construction on the park shelter addition. The estimate was $72,690. He is still waiting on two more quotes.

**\*\*Reminder -** Both the August 9th & November 8th board meetings conflict with Elections this year. Both of these meetings will be moved to Wednesdays. (August 10th & November 9th).

Bob Miller motioned to adjourn meeting; Ron Reed seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 7:39.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Schlimgen Clerk – Town of Barre