**TOWN OF BARRE BOARD MEETING August 8th, 2023**

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Chairman Curt Berg, Supervisors Bob Miller and John McGowan

**STAFF PRESENT** Clerk Ann Schlimgen, Treasurer Meri McKinney, and Patrolman Todd Solberg

**CALL TO ORDER** - Chair Curt Berg called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. the meeting was properly posted. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**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.

Joe Jakusz spoke on behalf of Debbie Cade. She has 35.04 acres of land on West Miller Road that is currently zoned agriculture but is listed as future residential on the Barre and County comprehensive plan. They would like to divide this land into three lots. Then she plans to sell lot #2 to Joe Jakusz. Discussion was had by the board, including questions about the shared driveway. Debbie and Joe have a signed agreement that also needs to be approved if rezoning is approved. Bob made a motion to recommend approval to the county of the rezoning, John seconded. Motion approved and his rezoning application was signed. Bob then made a motion to approve the easement for the shared driveway and John seconded that also. Motion for shared driveway easement was approved and his CMS was signed.

Next on the agenda was to talk about whether to continue with the large article day or look for other solutions for our community. Gary Hougom from Hilltoppers was in attendance. He stated that most surrounding areas that offer curbside pickup have done away with the large dump days. He told the board of options of having Hilltoppers or even another service pickup articles or articles could be brought to the county for a fee. He will get the township some numbers and we will table further discussion until then.

The bridge over Bostwick Creek (Drogseth) is getting closer to construction. Barre is 100% liable for the acquisition of land needed. The person facilitating the negotiations, Beth is wondering if Curt has authority to make decision on amount as this is a timely matter. John made a motion for Curt to be able to work with Beth as they negotiate price for land, Bob seconded. Motion approved.

Mark Gulickson appeared before the board. The land he is acquiring from his wife’s family has been rezoned and he had three acres surveyed and he needed the survey approved. He hopes to build a house there in spring. According to the county, 32 acres of the Tausher farm will automatically be deed restricted so the 35 acres needed to build will be achieved. John made a motion to approve the survey and Bob seconded it. Motion approved and signed.

Ann gave board a copy of what she could find on a patrolman job description. They looked over it. Some major differences but mostly the same jobs Todd is doing. Copy was given to Todd to go over after he looks at board will readdress.

Road Report – Todd is getting roads ready for school. Continues to mow. John said Cave Road culvert is finished. He thought it needed some ¾ inch rock yet. Todd will get a load for it.

Ken Schlimgen, County Supervisor gave an update on the UTV/ATV committee. Also said the county is asking townships to review their town comprehensive maps to see if what is there is what we want.

Dave gave an update on the park. He painted pickleball lines on the BB court. Todd had looked into automatic faucets but seemed quite expensive at Menards. Terry Loging will try and see if commercial ones are cheaper.

Mary Heyroth talked to the board about her family plots at the town cemetery. She told some history and also asked to have the tree trimmed that her father planted. She was also thankful for the pipes Rollie Grosskopf put in the ground for flowers.

Ann reminded board of the WTA meeting on August 24th at the Town of Greenfield.

John made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bob seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:36.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Schlimgen Clerk – Town of Barre