

TOWN OF BARRE BOARD MEETING August 12, 2025

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.

Don reviewed a report showing what has been spent through July 2025. He wanted to focus on the Road Maintenance remaining budget. Kristin will send an updated report to the board to clarify categories.

Keri Stenger wishes to get a variance to add a 2nd driveway to access the shed on her property at W4045 Bostwick Lane. Driveway would include 2-14in culverts. John makes a motion to approve. Bob Seconds. Motion passed.

Tom and Nancy Schomberg are requesting a driveway permit for Meadow View Estates Lot 15. The board recommends the driveway be placed further from the drainage easement. John makes a motion to approve. Bob seconds. Motion passed.

Paul Bagstad is requesting a driveway permit for N3131 Two Creeks Ct. This would include an 18 inch culvert. Bob makes a motion to approve the driveway. John seconds. Motion passed.

Jessica Holdwich and John Szeklinski are requesting the board to approve a plan for a garage at the Bostwick Estates and to widen the driveway 15 feet. The building inspector has requested town approval before issuing the building permit. John states he has no objection as long as all county ordinances and trailer park rules are followed. Don seconds. Motion passed.

Don mentions the tanks at the park and town hall were both pumped. Both park alarms were not functioning.

Lime was spread on the park and around the town hall and cemetery. Some weed control work is still planned to work around rental schedules.

Concerns were brought up about the property off OA that is being used as a junkyard. Don has been working with the county, who has fined the owner.

Hwy M Bridge – on schedule to finish by the end of August.

Future Hwy M reconstruction HWY O to HWY I has been planned for 2029

Don purchased barricades to block roads when needed. These were purchased used from the county. He is working on getting lights and an additional roll up sign for the truck.

Culvert replacement – erosion on the culvert by W Miller Road. The tractor fell through the rusted culvert and needs to be replaced. Miller bid \$32,000 to repair the road and replace the culvert. John suggests working with the county to get recommendations.

Road work is scheduled for the week of August 25th Tamarack road starting after 8am and planned to be drivable by 2pm. Swamp road is planned for Wednesday August 27th. Letters will go out to homeowners so they are aware.

Gary is working with the county on doing some patch work on Russlan, Wolter and has plans to work on Drectrah Road, and Old M.

Concerns were brought up about turning from Swamp Road onto County M as trees are blocking the view of traffic, especially when making a left-hand turn. We will contact the county to see if they can bring back the tree line to improve visibility.

The garbage collection RFP was sent out July 31st.

John motioned to adjourn, Bob seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Radde Clerk – Town of Barre