

TOWN OF BARRE BOARD MEETING September 9, 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 shared the public participation plan for the Planning Committee to be adopted and approved by the Town Board. John makes a motion to approve the public participation plan. Bob seconds. Motion passed.

Don shared the proposal provided by Harter's, Hilltoppers, and Big Hook for garbage and recycling services. The representative from Big Hook confirmed the Town of Barre will receive the full 9% rebate provided by La Crosse county. John makes a motion to award the contract to Big Hook for April 1, 2026 – March 31, 2031. Bob seconds. Motion passed.

Don shared a proposal from Jewell Associates Engineers who provides assistance with grant writing and submissions. He received bids to assist with grant writing for W Miller Road and Drectrah Road projects. John makes a motion to hire Jewell to write the grants. Bob seconds. Motion carries.

W Miller road update – discussions on culvert replacement. John motions to hire Miller Earthworks to repair W Miller Road with a single 50ft culvert. Bob seconds. Motion passed.

Swamp and Tamarack Road update – Culverts and road repair was completed. Ditches need reshaping to improve water flow. Don confirmed with the county that no permit is needed.

Kari Stenger is requesting a change in the variance for her driveway culvert to have 2 12in culverts instead of 14inch. Don moves to modify the variance to allow to modify the shape and number of culverts so that the overall capacity is equal to or greater than 18 inch culverts. Culverts should not be less than 12 inches. John seconds. Motion passed.

Park Concerns – Residents have noticed dog waste in the park not being cleaned up. Gary suggests a notice go out with tax bills as a reminder.

John motioned to adjourn, Bob seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Radde Clerk – Town of Barre