

Town of Barre
Board Meeting
April 10, 2024

Present: Supervisor Sean Pogue
Councilman Kirk Mathes
Councilman George McKenna
Councilman Margaret Swan
Councilman David Waters

Others present: Maureen Beach, Town Clerk; Dale Brooks, Highway Superintendent; Lee Preston, Bookkeeper, Bridget O'Toole, Town Attorney, Bill Eick, Orleans County Legislator; Alice Mathes, Gary Palmer, Iva McKenna.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Supervisor Pogue with the salute to the flag.

RESOLUTION #26 Meeting with Town Attorney
Sean Pogue made a motion for the Town Board to go into a meeting with the Town Attorney for an attorney/client discussion, motion seconded by Margaret Swan. Vote 5-0, passed.
Sean Pogue made a motion to resume the Town Board meeting, seconded by David Waters. Vote 5-0, passed.

Minutes

The minutes for the March, 2024 Town Board meeting were submitted and approved.

SUPERVISOR'S FINANCIAL REPORT

REVENUES: Major receipts were:

Town Clerk Fees	\$ 760.75
Justice Fees	5,026.00
Albion Cost Share (Q4)	3,406.86
T/Albion Water Usage (Q4)	47,031.18
T/Albion Maint Res. (Q4)	2,740.68
Metered Sales	4,666.61
Maintenance Fees	1,107.11
Water Penalty Fees	452.00
Interest & Earnings	9,601.40
Other Revenues	743.50

Total receipts for the month were: \$ 75,536.09

EXPENSES:

General Fund Townwide: Year to date expenses are \$184,961.82
Highway Townwide: Year to date expenses are \$178,389.68

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BILLS:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Voucher #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>AA - General</u>	Vouchers: 10544-10621	16,871.52
<u>DA - Highway</u>	Vouchers: 10555-10624	119,308.94
<u>HH - Capital Projects</u>	Voucher # 10576	4,027.50
<u>SW-Special District-Water</u>	Vouchers: 10557-10625	
001	449.83	
002	186.90	
003	159.85	
004	394.89	
005	202.31	
006	149.60	
007	60.65	
008	45.50	
009	108.18	
<u>SW Fund Total</u>		<u>1,757.71</u>
<u>Grand Total</u>		<u>141,965.67</u>

PAY BILLS

RESOLUTION #27

Pay Bills

Kirk Mathes made a motion to approve and pay the bills, seconded by David Waters. Vote 5-0, passed.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Received over 430 agricultural exemptions and renewals, 4 new applications. 11 new STAR Enhanced exemptions processed.

Current Homes on the market	<u>2</u>	
Total Assessed Value	<u>146,000</u>	
Total Listing Price	<u>264,000</u>	262% over Assessed Value
Quarter Report/Homes Sold	<u>3</u>	
Total Assessed Value	<u>219,000</u>	
Total Listing Price	<u>350,000</u>	45.2%over Assessed Value
Land Sold this Quarter	<u>3</u>	
Total Assessed Value	<u>134,000</u>	
Total Listing Price	<u>176,538</u>	61.5%over Assessed Value

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Attended Advocacy Day in Albany, Continue GPS locating of cross culverts, Town Hall - emergency light batteries replaced, survey mailbox installed. Equipment repairs and services, snow plow restorations, grading gravel roads, signs. Water reads and stake completed. Park Committee meeting, shared services with the Village of Albion and Town of Shelby. 10-wheel plow truck and equipment ordered.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The monthly report was submitted to Supervisor Pogue along with the check for the local share.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT

Jared Hicks has been enrolled in the classes required to be certified in the position.

ATTORNEY - Bridget will attend the Planning Board meeting on Monday April 15th to discuss sub-division law.

PLANNING BOARD

The meeting has been postponed until next week.

ZONING BOARD - No Report

OLD BUSINESS

Hemlock Ridge Solar - Not much has changed.

Barre Park Committee - The park committee met with Jason Foote, he discussed plans for the park.

Baird Solar - Supervisor Pogue receives reports on the progress twice a week.

Heritage Wind - the Town's comments were filed, Heritage Wind raised an issue on the timeliness of the submitted comments.

Comprehensive Plan - There will be an Open House on April 29th from 4-7pm to discuss the Comprehensive Plan with residents and a presentation will be shown at 4:15pm, 5:15pm and 6:15pm on the survey and the Comprehensive Plan process.

Water District #10 -

RESOLUTION #28 **Support & Authorization for Drinking Water Grant Application**
Sean Pogue made a motion to pass the following resolution, seconded by Kirk Mathes. Vote 5-0, passed.

WHEREAS, the Town of Barre, Orleans County, supports the submission of a New York State Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) application on behalf of the Town for a Water District No. 10 Project, hereinafter referred to as the "Project"; and **WHEREAS**, the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) administers grants to assist municipalities in funding water quality infrastructure projects that protect public health and improve water quality; and **WHEREAS**, an Engineering Report entitled "Preliminary Engineering Report for the Town of Barre Water District No. 10," recommends implementing the Project to help improve water quality and protect public health; and **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Town of Barre Board identifies the Town Supervisor as the authorized representative of the Town to submit such grant application on behalf of the Town and execute all associated documents relative to and as required for the grant application, financial application, and funding agreement, as applicable; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town may be obligated to provide local matching funds totaling at least 40% of the Project Costs in the form of in-kind services or cash contributions appropriated through State Revolving Fund (SRF) or other approved financing or funds, in accordance with the Bond Resolution; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Town Board of the Town of Barre fully supports the Project and submission of the 2024 WIIA grant application by MRB Group on behalf of the Town to improve water quality and protect public health.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #29 Request for Boards to Update Fees
Kirk Mathes made a motion to request the Town of Barre Planning Board and the Town of Barre Zoning Board to update the Town of Barre Planning and Zoning fees, the motion was seconded by David Waters. Vote 5-0, passed.

RESOLUTION #30 Highway/Hire PT Summer Help
Margaret Swan made a motion to hire a part time employee for the summer to assist the highway, the motion was seconded by David Waters. Vote 5-0, passed.

NEW BUSINESS, Con't

Sean Pogue made a motion to rescind Resolution #57 of 2023, motion was seconded by Margaret Swan. After discussion, the motion was withdrawn.

BOOKKEEPER'S REPORT

<u>Account</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
General Fund	\$184,099.85
NY CLASS	619,294.81
Highway Fund	154,603.06
NY CLASS	1,106,617.18
Water Dist. #1 Oper,	305,059.52
Water Dist. #2 Oper,	30,710.95
Water Dist. #3 Oper,	21,264.34
Water Dist. #4 Oper,	60,229.94
Water Dist. #5 Oper	51,204.89
Water Dist. #6 Oper.	44,109.82
Water Dist. #7 Oper.	11,872.01
Water Dist. #8 Oper.	33,674.72
Water Dist. #9 Oper.	17,734.80
Trust & Agency	45,187.82

ARPA Funds - The town needs to use the funds up by the end of 2024, George McKenna would like to see current figures to plan the use of the funds.

COMMENTS

Iva McKenna spoke about transparency for the workshops, and she thanked the Town Board for their time.

David Waters made a motion to adjourn the Town Board meeting, seconded by George McKenna.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30pm.
Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Beach, Town Clerk