

BARTON VILLAGE INC.  
MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES  
DRAFT MINUTES  
August 13, 2018 6 PM

PRESENT: Nate Sicard, Cathy Swain, Tin (Justin) Barton-Caplin, Evan Riordan

- A. Call to Order: Called to order by NS at 6:00 p.m.
- B. Changes to Agenda / Additions or Deletions
  - a. CS motioned to add EMS Meeting Overview & Fluoridation of Barton Village Water, JBC seconded. Unanimous approval.
- C. Meeting Minutes July 23, 2018
  - a. JBC motioned to approve July 23rd, 2018 minutes, CS seconded. Unanimous approval.
- D. Privilege of the Floor
  - i. None
- E. Old Business
  - a. Speed Limit Reduction Petition Follow Up
    - i. NS indicated that according to 2012 Setting Speed Limits – A Guide for Vermont Towns (published by Vermont Local Roads), municipalities cannot set speed limits lower than 25 miles per hour.
    - ii. Trustees discussed the need to reduce the speed limit on smaller side streets. NS indicated he wouldn't have capacity to do the required study to reduce the speed limits and that CS and JBC would need to do so. CS and JBC agreed.
    - iii. The guide was silent on how to enact school zones with speed limits lower than 25 miles per hour. NS agreed to reach out to NVDA to get more information
    - iv. Discussion of whether Rt 16/Rt 5 needed to be dropped to 25 mph. If a school zone were implemented on Rt 16, Trustees didn't feel strongly that an overall change in speed was needed
    - v. Discussion of whether more visible crosswalks and/or traffic calming measures might be helpful.
    - vi. Discussion of need for enforcement.
    - vii. Trustees agreed that next steps should include:
      - 1. Traffic Study for side streets (to change 30 to 25 mph)
      - 2. Explore school zones
      - 3. Explore blinking "your speed is" lights
      - 4. Explore increased enforcement
  - b. ATV Ordinance – Final review following waiting period
    - i. CS motioned to execute final copy of ATV Ordinance, JBC seconded. Unanimous approval.
  - c. Consider Class 1 highway winter maintenance agreement with VTrans
    - i. Discussion that the agreement required modifications to the winter parking ban currently implemented by the Village

- ii. CS motioned to approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Emergency Winter Maintenance Agreement between the State of Vermont and the Village of Barton that would go into effect November 1, 2018 to April 1, 2019, JBC seconded. Unanimous approval.

#### New Business

- d. Consider amending Parking Ordinance
  - i. NS presented a draft revision to the parking ordinance to comply with the Emergency Winter Maintenance Agreement with the State of Vermont.
  - ii. CS motioned to adopt the Parking Ordinance as amended with edits from the Trustee Meeting, JBC seconded. Unanimous approval.
    - 1. Edits from Meeting include:
      - a. Clarification of Section 4 in regards to 24 vs 12 hour parking ban in sub-sections A and B
        - i. Add the following exceptions to sub-section A: “ A 24-hour ban except for Village Sq., 200 feet on the easterly termination of Elm St. and 400 feet on the Westerly termination of Water St.”
      - b. Add back in “In addition to towing, a penalty of \$35.00 shall be assessed for each violation” in Section 6.
      - c. Correction of spelling of Ordinance in Section 8
      - d. Correction of spelling of Barton-Caplin
- e. Access Permit – 553 Eastern Ave
  - i. Presentation of a request for an access permit for 553 Eastern Ave.
    - 1. Paul Sicard is seeking a subdivision on this parcel and requesting a new access permit / curb cut.
    - 2. Discussion of having both parcels resulting from sub-division to use the same access.
    - 3. JBC motioned to approve the access permit and a new curb cut contingent on the existing curb cut is removed, CS seconded. Unanimous approval.
- f. EMS Meeting
  - i. JBC provided an overview of the EMS meeting that resulted with the Barton Ambulance Service closing. Key points:
    - 1. Orleans and West Glover are providing ambulance service to Barton
    - 2. Overtime, ambulance services will need to address the dwindling number of volunteers for EMS and may need to consider paid staff to ensure services.
    - 3. Town will need to explore whether EMS is critical infrastructure
- g. Fluoridation of Barton Village
  - i. JBC broached the topic of fluoridation of the Barton Village water supply and asked whether Trustees would support inviting Vermont Department of Health

staff and contractors out to provide an overview of the fluoridation process and implications for the municipal water system.

- ii. Trustees supportive but requested JBC to meet and work with Utility Partners prior to extending an invitation to VDH.

F. Other

- a. Approval of Bills, Warrants, and previous Warrants signed.
  - i. JBC motioned to approve bills, warrants, and previous warrants signed, CS seconded. Unanimous approval.
- b. Trustee Mail
  - i. None
- c. Office / Facilities
  - i. Fish Elbow installed at the hydroelectric plant!

G. Executive Session:

- a. None

H. Adjourn: JBC motioned to adjourn at 9:00 p.m., CS seconded. Unanimous approval.

Date of Next Meeting: August 27th, 2018

Submitted by Tin (Justin) Barton-Caplin | Board Clerk

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Attested by Shelia Martin | Village Clerk