# Barton Village, Inc. Orleans Village, Inc. Town of Barton

# **Special Joint Board of Trustees and Select Board Meeting**

Wednesday, November 29, 2023
6:00 pm
Mack Building
20 Church Street, Orleans, Vermont

Attendance: John Morley, III, Eric Lanou, Don Coburn, Marilyn Prue, Gina Lyon, Dee McDowell, Jeff Cota, Ryan Racine, Vera Laporte, Joanne Racine, and Ed Barber

### Agenda

- A. Call to Order: John Morley, III called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM
- B. Changes to the Agenda/Additions or Deletions: None.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

C. Local Law Enforcement Protection: The intent of this meeting was to discuss if and how each municipality would like to proceed with police protection for the Town, Villages and their communities, and how it would be budgeted/expensed. There was discussion around how this was previously handled in the past, with Barton Town holding the contract with, as well as budgeting the expense of, the Orleans County Sherriff Department. Each Municipality agreed they wanted to proceed with having police protection with the Orleans County Sherriff Department and that the Town Board was going to take this information to the Town Clerk to see how it could be budgeted through them and expensed/taxed to the Villages, as it had in the past. Gina Lyon will contact Sherriff Harlow to see what their availability would be as far as hours, and their hourly rate, to be able to proceed with the one contract with the Town of Barton to include coverage for the Town and the two Villages. Once this information is received, Gina will let Jeff Cota, John Morley, III, and Kristin Atwood know so that Kristin can then schedule a meeting with the board members and Sherriff Harlow to further discuss.

## **OTHER ITEMS**:

- D. Other Business: None.
- E. Adjourn: John Morley, III made the motion to adjourn the meeting, and Gina Lyon seconded. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 pm.

Date of Next Regular Barton Trustee Board Meeting: December 11, 2023 at 6pm

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