

Barton Village, Inc.
Regular Trustees Meeting

Monday, October 28, 2024

6:00 PM

Barton Village Memorial Hall

Agenda

- A. Call to Order
- B. Changes to the Agenda/Additions or Deletions
- C. Privilege of the Floor

ACTION ITEMS:

- D. Minutes from the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting October 14, 2024
- E. Bills and Warrants
- F. Property Liens for Water/Sewer/Electric Services
- G. Warrant to the Delinquent Tax Collector for Water/Sewer/Electric Accounts
- H. Truck Sander Purchase

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- I. 2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund
- J. Flood Update
- K. Department Operations Updates

OTHER ITEMS:

- L. Other Business

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

- M. Executive Session - Legal Action: 1 V.S.A. § 313 (a)(1)(E)
- N. Executive Session - Personnel: 1 V.S.A. § 313 (a)(3)

- O. Adjourn

Upcoming Meetings:

Regular Board Meeting: 11/11/2024

Regular Board Meeting: 11/27/2024

Barton Village, Inc.
Regular Trustees Meeting

Monday, October 14, 2024

6:00 PM

Barton Village Memorial Hall

Attendance: Gina Lyon (Chair), Marilyn Prue (Trustee), Ellis Merchant (Trustee), Vera LaPorte (Business Manager), Patrick Hurley (Memphremagog Watershed Association), Mark Bannon (Bannon Engineering), Cindy Delano (Barton Community Giving Garden), Pam Kennedy (Barton Community Giving Garden)

Agenda

Full agenda with additional details can be found at <https://bartonvt.com/agenda-minutes/>

Audio recording of the meeting can be found for 30 days following the official approval of these minutes at the next Regular Board of Trustees Meeting on November 11, 2024 at

<https://bartonvt.com/agenda-minutes/>

- A. **Call to Order** – Gina Lyon called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.
- B. **Changes to the Agenda/Additions or Deletions** – None.
- C. **Privilege of the Floor** – None.

ACTION ITEMS:

- D. **Minutes from the Special Informational Meeting September 19, 2024** – After review, Gina Lyon made a motion to approve the Minutes from the Special Informational Meeting September 19, 2024 as presented. Ellis Merchant seconded. All approved and the motion carried.
- E. **Minutes from the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting September 23, 2024** – After review, Gina Lyon made a motion to approve the Minutes from the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting September 23, 2024 as presented. Ellis Merchant seconded. All approved and the motion carried.
- F. **Bills and Warrants** – Gina Lyon made a motion to continue reviewing the bills and warrants throughout the meeting and approve at the end. Marilyn Prue seconded. All approved and the motion carried.
- G. **[The Memphremagog Watershed Association](#)** – Patrick Hurley from the Memphremagog Watershed Association (MWA) and Mark Bannon from Bannon Engineering presented to the Board of Trustees the final designs, draft operations and management plan, draft easement from

Solid Rock Assembly of God, site access agreement/license, and letter of support regarding the clean water project in Barton Village.

The plan is to tap into an existing catch basin at the corner of School Street and Church Street, install an underground hydrodynamic separating unit behind the Solid Rock Assembly of God church, and level spreader infiltration trench near the community garden to remove debris and allow for the treatment of stormwater runoff from approximately 7 acres within the Village before it reaches the Barton River and eventually Lake Memphremagog. The MWA will be responsible for all maintenance and cleaning of the project's appurtenances and paid for through grants, at no cost to the Village.

Construction for this project likely won't begin until summer of 2025.

After discussion, Gina Lyon made a motion to approve the letter of support for the MWA clean water project as presented. Ellis Merchant seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

- H. **Driveway Access Permit Application** – After discussion, Marilyn Prue made a motion to approve the driveway access permit application for access to 83 Redfield Road via Eastern Avenue. Ellis Merchant seconded. All approved and the motion carried.
- I. **Financial Reports for Period Ending 09/30/2024** – After review, Marilyn Prue made a motion to approve the Financial Reports for Period Ending 09/30/2024 as presented. Gina Lyon seconded. All approved and the motion carried.
- J. **ATV Ordinance** – At the Regular Meeting on 07/08/2024 the Trustees expressed a desire to amend the Ordinance Establishing Transit Zones for All-Terrain Vehicles on Certain Village Roads to make all public highways within Barton Village available to ATV travel 365 days a year. Whether an ordinance is adopted, amended, or repealed, the same statutorily prescribed process (24 V.S.A. § 1971) must be followed. According to this process, Gina Lyon entered the amendment into the meeting minutes by reading it aloud:

Under the authority granted in 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59, 24 V.S.A. § 2291 (4), and 23 V.S.A. § 3506 and § 3510, the Trustees of Barton Village hereby amend Section IV (A) and Section IV (B) of the Ordinance Establishing Transit Zones for All-Terrain Vehicles on Certain Village Roads by striking the same in its entirety, and replacing the same with the following:

- (A) All-terrain vehicles fully conforming to the requirements of 23 V.S.A. Chapter 31 may, in accordance with the provisions of 23 V.S.A. § 3506(b)(1) of the Vermont Statutes Annotated, be operated on all public highways within the Village of Barton, in accordance with the requirements of 23 V.S.A. Chapter 31 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated as well as the requirements set forth in subparagraph (c) of this Section.

(B) All-terrain vehicles may operate from 7:00am to 9:00pm, 365 days a year.

In all other respects, said Ordinance is hereby ratified and confirmed.

The full text of the ordinance will be published in the Chronicle on 10/23/2024 and posted at the Barton Village Office, Post Office, Barton Public Library, C&C Supermarket, Community National Bank, and on bartonvt.com. Voters have 44 days to submit a petition to protest the amendment. If no petition is submitted, the amendment will take effect on 12/13/2024.

After review, Gina Lyon made a motion to approve the amendment to the Ordinance Establishing Transit Zones for All-Terrain Vehicles on Certain Village Roads as presented. Ellis Merchant seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

- K. **Truck Sander Purchase** – Due to concerns about how the salt will affect the utility bed of the 2024 GMC, this item has been tabled until 10/28/2024 when DPW Foreman Andy Sicard will be available to answer questions.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- L. **Barton Community Giving Garden** – Cindy Delano provided the Board with a brief update on the Barton Community Giving Garden’s activities for 2024. Some projects have been put on hold pending the start of the MWA project. They also reported that they had several new volunteers and requested guidance on whether it would be better to pay a local teen for mowing as a contractor or as a Village employee. Business Manager Vera LaPorte or Crystal Currier will look into it.

M. Flood Update

- 09/24/2024 – Received RIVER project recommendation from Stantec Engineering and NVDA. The only recommendation made was buying/elevating homes on Glover Road. FEMA is already aiding interested homeowners in this regard.
- 10/03/2024 – “Kickoff” call with VEM consultant.
- 10/09/2024 – Exploratory call with VEM/FEMA to go over Disaster Inventory. Recovery Scoping Meeting will be held approximately two weeks after.
- Aqueduct – Initial research by VT State Rail & Aviation Bureau indicates that it is not owned by the railroad. Stantec Engineering to send information on their findings/suggestions soon.
- Ball Field – More backfilling needed. Will involve the softball association about how they would like everything laid out.
- High Street – Currently accepting bids on guard rail replacement. None received at the time of the meeting. Will consider jersey barriers as temporary solution.
- Pageant Park Road – Currently accepting bids on culvert installation and will inform residents when work will take place.

- N. **Department Operations Update (Highlights)** – Full memo with additional details can be found at <https://bartonvt.com/agenda-minutes/>

- Electric Department
 - After-hours on-call service will be changed to New England Call Center.
 - Tariff rider is pending review with the PUC.
 - VPPSA General Manager Ken Nolan will attend the Regular Trustees Meeting on 11/11/2024 to continue discussion on AMI.
- Wastewater Department
 - Operating well and all reporting deadlines are being met.
- Water Department
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- Highway Department
 - Paving continues between flood recovery projects.
 - DPW Utility Worker Garrett Heath has been accepted to linemen school and will attend in May 2025.
- Village Department
 - Still shopping for school crossing signs.
 - Working on easement and final report in the Washington Terrace matter.
 - Municipal tickets have been received from the VT Judiciary and ordinance enforcement may continue.
 - Interviews for Lead Finance/HR position have concluded, and a decision on an offer is expected to be made after discussion.

OTHER ITEMS:

O. Other Business

- Gina Lyon asked about the status of the salt/sand shed project. Vera LaPorte informed her that it may be time to apply for the remaining funding required and send out requests for proposals (RFPs). Salt and sand deliveries have already been scheduled and will occur more frequently than they had in the past because the Village is now responsible for maintaining all its roads. The temporary salt/sand shed built by the Highway Department will have to be removed so the new permanent structure can be built. This likely won't take place until 2025.
- Gina Lyon stated that the sinking culvert on Eastern Avenue is rapidly getting worse. She expressed concern that ditching done on private property in the area may be contributing to its decline. Vera LaPorte will have DPW Foreman Andy Sicard investigate further.
- Gina Lyon asked about the repair status of Bethany Ford's property (damage resulting from water main leak/repair on Lincoln Avenue). Andy Sicard was supposed to have already cleaned and seeded the area. Vera LaPorte will confirm with him that the work was done.
- Gina Lyon reminded the Board that Representative Katherine Sims organized a tour of Barton with various state officials for the purpose of identifying areas/projects in need of funding. The tour is scheduled to begin at 9:00am on 10/18/2024. The full agenda for the tour can be found at <https://bartonvt.com/agenda-minutes/>.

- Gina Lyon asked the Board to consider possible dates for a simple public celebration acknowledging the 150th anniversary of the Village's incorporation. 11/16/2024 and 11/23/2024 were suggested as possibilities.

Gina Lyon made a motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing Legan Action – 1 V.S.A. § 313 (a)(1)(E) and Personnel – 1 V.S.A. § 313 (a)(3) at 8:05pm. Ellis Merchant seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

The Board came out of executive session at 9:43pm with the following action taken:

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

- P. **Executive Session - Legal Action: 1 V.S.A. § 313 (a)(1)(E)** – In the matter of *Paul Sicard and Marsha Sicard, as Trustees of the Family Trust v. Dennis Hendy, Diana Davis, Dennis Hayden, Nathan Sicard, Nicholas Lussier, Stephanie Lussier, Craig Fowler, Betty Jane Fowler, Ramona Lisa McCarthy, Ian Waters, Deborah Waters, David Snedeker, Johanna Snedeker, Duane Prue, Marilyn Prue and Village of Barton, Inc.*, Vermont Superior Court, Orleans Unit, Case No. 23-CV-03070.

On September 30, 2024, a Mediation Settlement Agreement was reached by the parties in the above-referenced matter. The Mediation Settlement Agreement was signed by all parties on September 30, 2024 and was signed on behalf of the Village of Barton by Regina Lyon, subject to the condition that the said Mediation Settlement Agreement be ratified by this Board. The Board hereby ratifies the Mediation Settlement Agreement, executed by Regina Lyon on September 30, 2024.

Gina Lyon noted that Marilyn Prue recused herself in the ratification process as a trustee as she was also named as a defendant in this case.

Gina Lyon made a motion to approve the Ratification of the Mediation Settlement Agreement as presented. Ellis Merchant seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

- Q. **Executive Session - Personnel: 1 V.S.A. § 313 (a)(3)** – Gina Lyon made a motion to direct Vera LaPorte to extend an offer of employment to the preferred candidate for the Lead Finance/HR position. Ellis Merchant seconded. All approved and the motion carried.
- R. **Adjourn** – Gina Lyon made a motion to adjourn. Ellis Merchant seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45pm.

Upcoming Meetings:

Regular Board Meeting: 10/28/2024

Regular Board Meeting: 11/11/2024

Regina Lyon, Board of Trustees Chair

Barton Village, Inc.
PO Box 519
Barton, Vermont 05822
(802) 525-4747

Memorandum

To: Barton Village Board of Trustees
From: Vera LaPorte
Date: October 28, 2024
Subject: Property Liens for Water/Sewer/Electric Accounts
Agenda: Agenda Item "F"

The following Village properties have overdue water, sewer, and/or electric balances totaling \$5,356.82 and should be liened.

Service Location	Water	Sewer	Electric	Total
100 Glover Road*	\$165.62	\$272.01	\$110.64	\$548.27
6 Park Street*	\$220.43	\$379.18		\$599.61
3 Lake Street*	\$326.73	\$506.94		\$833.67
271 Elm Street*	\$326.73	\$506.94		\$833.67
165 Water Street*	\$272.04	\$430.69		\$702.73
184 Glover Road	\$354.46	\$545.57		\$900.03
103 Lakefront Lane*	\$187.88	\$174.08	\$361.35	\$723.31
			TOTAL	\$5,356.82

* Previously turned over to Delinquent Tax Collector

Proposed Motion: Motion to approve placing liens for delinquent water, sewer, and electric accounts on the properties as presented.

BARTON VILLAGE, INC.
LIEN FOR MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER/ELECTRIC SERVICES

KNOW ALL PERSONS that Barton Village, Inc., owner and operator of a duly organized Municipal Water/Sewer/Electric Department, acting by and through a majority of its Trustees, by the filing of this document, imposes a lien, in the amount of \$548.27, upon premises, in Barton, Vermont described as and owned by:

Wayne Amey – 100 Glover Road, Barton, VT

This lien imposed for the following services rendered to the above described property

Amount due for Water/Sewer/Electric services

PURSUANT TO Section of the Charter of the Village of Barton, as amended by Municipal Act No., Laws of Vermont 1939, and such lien:

“...shall be a lien in the nature of a tax upon any real estate so supplied with the same, wherever located,... and may be collected in the same manner as any tax assessed by said Village.”

FURTHER, PURSANT TO 32 V>S>A. #5061, such lien, as a lien in the nature of a municipal tax,

“...shall be a first lien thereon, underlying all mortgages, attachments, liens, or other encumbrances thereon...”

Dated on October 28th, 2024 at Barton, Vermont.

BARTON VILLAGE TRUSTEES:

Regina Lyon

Marilyn Prue

Ellis Merchant

BARTON VILLAGE, INC.
LIEN FOR MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER SERVICES

KNOW ALL PERSONS that Barton Village, Inc., owner and operator of a duly organized Municipal Water/Sewer Department, acting by and through a majority of its Trustees, by the filing of this document, imposes a lien, in the amount of \$599.61, upon premises, in Barton, Vermont described as and owned by:

Gordon Barber – 6 Park Street, Barton, VT

This lien imposed for the following services rendered to the above described property

Amount due for Water/Sewer services

PURSUANT TO Section of the Charter of the Village of Barton, as amended by Municipal Act No., Laws of Vermont 1939, and such lien:

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BARTON VILLAGE, INC.
LIEN FOR MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER SERVICES

KNOW ALL PERSONS that Barton Village, Inc., owner and operator of a duly organized Municipal Water/Sewer Department, acting by and through a majority of its Trustees, by the filing of this document, imposes a lien, in the amount of \$833.67, upon premises, in Barton, Vermont described as and owned by:

Will Gordon – 3 Lake Street, Barton, VT

This lien imposed for the following services rendered to the above described property

Amount due for Water/Sewer services

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LIEN FOR MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER SERVICES

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Will Gordon – 271 Elm Street, Barton, VT

This lien imposed for the following services rendered to the above described property

Amount due for Water/Sewer services

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Dated on October 28th, 2024 at Barton, Vermont.

BARTON VILLAGE TRUSTEES:

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Ellis Merchant

BARTON VILLAGE, INC.
LIEN FOR MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER SERVICES

KNOW ALL PERSONS that Barton Village, Inc., owner and operator of a duly organized Municipal Water/Sewer Department, acting by and through a majority of its Trustees, by the filing of this document, imposes a lien, in the amount of \$702.73, upon premises, in Barton, Vermont described as and owned by:

James McAnulty – 165 Water Street, Barton, VT

This lien imposed for the following services rendered to the above described property

Amount due for Water/Sewer services

PURSUANT TO Section of the Charter of the Village of Barton, as amended by Municipal Act No., Laws of Vermont 1939, and such lien:

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BARTON VILLAGE, INC.
LIEN FOR MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER SERVICES

KNOW ALL PERSONS that Barton Village, Inc., owner and operator of a duly organized Municipal Water/Sewer Department, acting by and through a majority of its Trustees, by the filing of this document, imposes a lien, in the amount of \$900.03, upon premises, in Barton, Vermont described as and owned by:

Paul Shamon – 184 Glover Road, Barton, VT

This lien imposed for the following services rendered to the above described property

Amount due for Water/Sewer services

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Dated on October 28th, 2024 at Barton, Vermont.

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BARTON VILLAGE, INC.
LIEN FOR MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER/ELECTRIC SERVICES

KNOW ALL PERSONS that Barton Village, Inc., owner and operator of a duly organized Municipal Water/Sewer/Electric Department, acting by and through a majority of its Trustees, by the filing of this document, imposes a lien, in the amount of \$723.31, upon premises, in Barton, Vermont described as and owned by:

Robert Souliere – 103 Lakefront Lane, Barton, VT

This lien imposed for the following services rendered to the above described property

Amount due for Water/Sewer/Electric services

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Dated on October 28th, 2024 at Barton, Vermont.

BARTON VILLAGE TRUSTEES:

Regina Lyon

Marilyn Prue

Ellis Merchant

Barton Village, Inc.
 PO Box 519
 Barton, Vermont 05822
 (802) 525-4747

Memorandum

To: Barton Village Board of Trustees
 From: Vera LaPorte
 Date: October 28, 2024
 Subject: Warrant to the Delinquent Tax Collector for Water/Sewer/Electric Accounts
 Agenda: Agenda Item "G"

Seven (7) water/sewer/electric accounts are delinquent by over six (6) months and should be turned over to the Delinquent Tax Collector for collection. The total delinquency is \$5,356.82.

Service Location	Water	Sewer	Electric	Total
100 Glover Road*	\$165.62	\$272.01	\$110.64	\$548.27
6 Park Street*	\$220.43	\$379.18		\$599.61
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			TOTAL	\$5,356.82

* Previously turned over to the Delinquent Tax Collector

Proposed Motion: Motion to approve the Warrant to the Delinquent Tax Collector for collection of delinquent water/sewer/electric accounts as presented.

Date 10/28/2024

Warrant to the Delinquent Tax Collector
Incorporated Village of Barton
STATE OF VERMONT
ORLEANS COUNTY

Greetings: Shelia Martin

Attached herewith is a list of delinquent water/sewer/electric bills for The Incorporated Village of Barton, Water/Sewer/Electric Department, unpaid as of 4:00PM, Monday, October 28, 2024.

Said listing incorporates Name and Address and delinquent amounts; a total of \$5,356.82.

BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF VERMONT, you are hereby commanded to levy and collect of the several persons named in the foregoing list herewith committed to you, the sum of money annexed to the name of each person, respectively, with your own fees, and pay the same to the Treasurer of the Incorporated Village of Barton, on or before sixty days from the date here of: October 28, 2024, any person neglects or refuses to pay such sums with your fees, you are hereby commanded to distrain the goods and chattels of such delinquent person, and the same dispose of according to law for the satisfying of the such sum, together with your own fees; and for want thereof you are hereby commanded either to extend this warrant for the collection of such sum so assessed against such delinquent person with costs upon any land in this State belonging to such delinquent, according to law, or to take the body of such delinquent person and him commit to the keeper of the jail in the County of Orleans (or such other jail as the law directs), within such jail, who is hereby commanded to receive such person, and him safely keep until he pays such sum so assessed with legal costs, together with your own fees, or is released according to law. Fail not, but service and return make according to law.

Dated at Barton Village in the County of Orleans, Vermont this 28th day of October, 2024.

Incorporated Village of Barton Trustees:

Regina Lyon

Marilyn Prue

Ellis Merchant

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Memorandum

To: Barton Village Board of Trustees
From: Vera LaPorte
Date: October 28, 2024
Subject: Truck Sander Purchase
Agenda: Agenda Item "H"

Tabled from 10/14/2024 so that DPW Foreman Andy Sicard can be present to answer questions.

As the Board is aware, the Village no longer receives plowing assistance from the State and will take over the maintenance of those roads this winter. The 2024 GMC purchased this year has already been outfitted with a plow, but now needs a sander. The following are two quotes obtained for the same make and model of sander that the village already owns:

Fisher Tempest 2.2 CY Sander with Auger

- Champlain Valley Equipment - \$9,552.00
- New Hydraulics - \$10,984.00

DPW Foreman Andy Sicard would like to keep the make/model consistent for ease of use and repair.

Proposed Motion: Motion to approve the purchase of the Fisher Tempest 2.2 CY Sander from Champlain Valley Equipment for \$9,552.00.



CHAMPLAIN VALLEY EQUIPMENT

QUOTE

P.O. Box 522
 453 Exchange St.
 Middlebury, VT 05753
 P: 802-388-4967
 F: 802-388-9656

337 Franklin Park West
 St. Albans, VT 05478
 P: 802-524-6782

P.O. Box 535
 2108 Route 5
 Derby, VT 05829
 P: 802-766-2400

72 Kubota Drive
 Berlin, VT 05602
 P: 802-223-0021

157 Pearl St
 Essex Junction, VT 05452
 P: 802-879-0767

champlainvalleyequipment.com

SOLD TO
 BARTVI BARTON VILLAGE, INC.
 PO BOX 519
 BARTON, VT 05822

SHIP TO

Sold By: BE PO #: 2.2 TEMPEST POLY Date 8/22/24 QUOTE QD07427
 Ship By: Tax #: ON FILE 17:35:49 PRT: 1 Open

Tax	D	Qty	Description	Price	Amount
Group: 01					
FISHER 2.2 CUBIC YARD TEMPEST POLYCASTER 8' MODEL SPREADER					
PARTS COUNTER					
00000		1	FSE 97520 POLY 2.2YAR OUTSIDE	8325.00	8325.00
00000		1	FSE 99505-1 PRI WORK LI 2P4	159.00	159.00
00000		1	FSE 99732-1 LIGHT, SECON 2P5	121.00	121.00
00000		1	FSE 90555 VIBRATOR KI 2X3	573.00	573.00
00000		4	MIS 512784 TIE DOWNS DISPLAY	24.00	96.00
** TOTAL PARTS COUNTER					9274.00
LABOR OUTSIDE					
00000		1	LABOR -INSTALLATION	625.00	625.00
00000		1	LABOR- ACCESSORIES	185.00	185.00
** TOTAL LABOR OUTSIDE					810.00
PARTS MISC					
00000Z		1	MUNICIPAL DISCOUNT	532.00	532.00

INSTALLED IN 8' PICKUP BED

Your QUOTE has been completed by Ben Hamilton. Thank-you!



I agree to pay the total amount of this invoice in accordance with the cardholder agreement.

This invoice must accompany all claims and returned goods within 30 days of sale. A 25% restocking fee applies. No returns on electrical parts, parts without resalable packaging and parts under \$5. Parts between \$5 to \$15 have 65% restocking fee. Accounts are due the 20th of the month following the date of purchase. A 1.5% per month (18% annually) service charge will be added on all overdue accounts. The undersigned agrees to pay all costs of collection, including but not limited to, court costs, attorney's fees, and collection agency fees.

** SUBTOTAL 9552.00

X _____ Charge Sale

Phone: (802) 525-4747

PAY THIS AMOUNT



\$9552.00

SHIPPING SPECIAL - discounted shipping on ALL Western® Snowplows and Salt Spreaders (shipping will be discounted by 5% of total purchase)



All Search for



Home > Fisher® Spreader, TEMPEST™ Poly Hopper Spreader



1 / 4

SKU: 97420

20% off

Fisher® Spreader, TEMPEST™ Poly Hopper Spreader

\$10,984.80 ~~\$13,731.00~~

Capacity

- 1.5 cu yd
- 2.2 cu yd

Drive System

- Chain
- Auger

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Add to cart

Chat

Buy with

Barton Village, Inc.
PO Box 519
Barton, Vermont 05822
(802) 525-4747

Memorandum

To: Barton Village Board of Trustees
From: Vera LaPorte
Date: October 28, 2024
Subject: 2025 Land and Water Conservation Fund
Agenda: Agenda Item "I"

[The Land & Water Conservation Fund](#) (LWCF) supports the development of public outdoor recreation opportunities across Vermont, with a focus on creating parks and open spaces, enhancing recreation areas and facilities, and protecting wilderness areas and forests.

Funds are apportioned to federal agencies, and to the 50 states and 6 territories through the U.S. Department of the Interior National Park Service (NPS). In Vermont, LWCF is administered by the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation.

- Acquisition of land for parks and public outdoor recreation
- Development of new outdoor recreation facilities
- Renovation of existing facilities for outdoor recreation

Eligible applicants include municipal entities and state agencies only (e.g. towns, cities, school districts, water districts, park districts, etc.). Recommended request range is \$25,000-\$1,000,000 with 50% match required.











Pre-applications are due December 13, 2024.

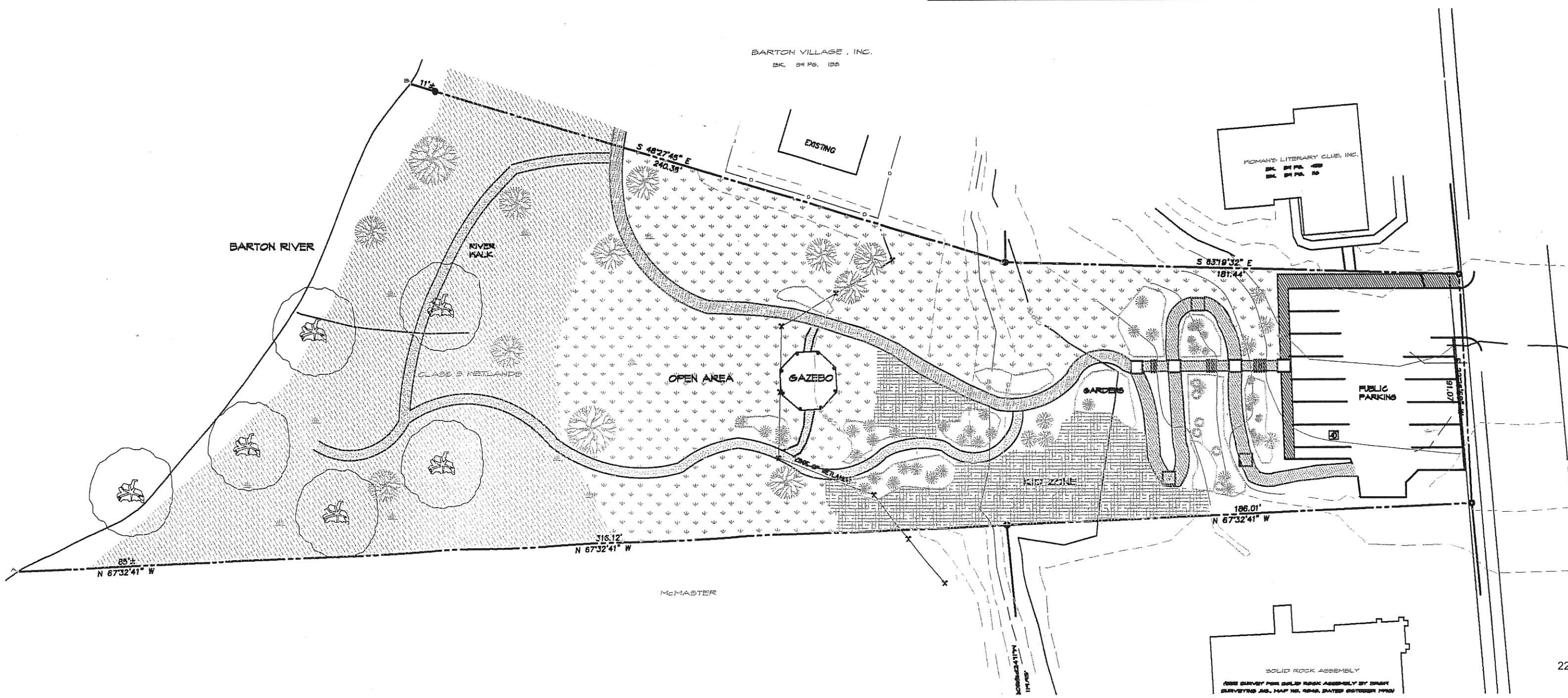
Proposed Motion: None.

BARTON COMMUNITY PARK

STERLING DESIGN ARCHITECTS, INC.
LYNDONVILLE, VERMONT

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LEGEND			
	RAPIAN ZONE		WOODCHIPPED PATH
	PICNIC AREA		NEW TREE/PLANTINGS
	OPEN AREA		NEW SHRUBBERY
	KID ZONE		WETLAND SYMBOL
	ASPHALT WALKWAY		
	STONE WALKWAY		



SOLID ROCK ASSEMBLY
THIS SURVEY FOR SOLID ROCK ASSEMBLY BY ERIC
SURVEYING INC. MAP NO. 0046, DATED OCTOBER 1990

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Memorandum

To: Barton Village Board of Trustees
From: Vera LaPorte
Date: October 28, 2024
Subject: Flood Update
Agenda: Item "J"

Timeline of Events

- 07/10/2024 – Hurricane Beryl flood event.
- 08/02/2024 – Governor Scott requested assistance.
- 08/15/2024 – Shortfall in FEMA Public Assistance announced and Immediate Needs Funding (INF) implemented.
- 08/20/2024 – FEMA DR-4810 declared.
- 08/23/2024 – Assistance applicant briefing with Vermont Emergency Management (VEM).
- 08/27/2024 – NVDA and STANTEC inspection.
- 09/04/2024 – FEMA/VEM Environmental Planning and Historic Compliance During Disaster Recovery “green sheet” received.
- 09/20/2024 – News Release with important information on how to apply for FEMA assistance for DR-4810:
 - Go online to DisasterAssistance.gov
 - Call the FEMA Helpline at **800-621-3362**
 - Download [FEMA’s Mobile App](#)
 - Visit a Disaster Recovery Center. For location and hours, visit fema.gov/drc
 - The application deadline is October 21, 2024 – **DEADLINE HAS PASSED**
- 09/20/2024 – News Release with important information on how to apply for Physical Disaster Loans through the Small Business Administration (SBA) for DR-4810:
 - Schedule an in-person appointment at the [SBA Disaster Recovery Center](#) in advance
 - Go online to sba.gov/disaster
 - Call the SBA’s Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov
 - The application deadline is October 21, 2024 – **DEADLINE HAS PASSED**
- 09/27/2024 – Received STANTEC/NVDA RIVER project recommendation to buyout/elevate homes on Glover Road and Elm Street. “Due to the steep topography, and the use restrictions on the only open parcel where flood

storage could occur, the best solution to mitigate flooding here is to buyout the parcels/homes that are experiencing flooding. Recommend structure elevation or mitigation reconstruction as an alternative.” Subsequent meetings have determined that no projects in Barton Village will be recommended at this time.

- 10/03/2024 – “Kickoff” call with VEM consultant.
- 10/09/2024 – Exploratory call with VEM/FEMA PDMG to go over Disaster Inventory. Recovery Scoping Meeting will be held in approximately 2 weeks.
- 10/25/2024 – Disaster Inventory submitted.

Buyouts

- Grant awards for DR-4720 buyouts cannot be made until after FEMA’s INF is lifted.
- Two property owners have completed the buyout paperwork.
- One property owner interested in the elevation program has since withdrawn interest.
- The deadline for submitting buyouts/elevations for DR-4720 has passed. Anyone interested in a buyout/elevation will need to apply under DR-4810.
- Email from VEM on 09/19/2024 requested that municipalities update the property owners on FEMA’s funding issues. Both property owners updated on 09/19/2024.

DPW

- Lincoln Avenue
 - Initial research by VT State Rail and Aviation Bureau indicates the aqueduct is not owned by the railroad. STANTEC has no information to provide at this time, however David Snedeker with NVDA has offered to assist with applying for grant funding for legal/surveying fees if the Village wishes to take ownership.
- Ball Field
 - The softball association has moved to Glover and will not be able to assist with cleanup and guidance. DPW Foreman Andy Sicard will be in touch with someone in the area from the minor league who can possibly help.
- High Street/St. Paul’s Cemetery Access Road
 - Culvert/road is currently stable and will be addressed with FEMA Hazard Mitigation.
 - Guard rail will be installed the week of 11/11/2024.
- Pageant Park Road Culvert
 - Replacement culvert is ordered and should arrive the week of 10/28/2024. Currently working with contractor to determine the best method of installation and scheduling.

No other updates at this time.

Proposed Motion: None.

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Memorandum

To: Barton Village Board of Trustees
From: Vera LaPorte
Date: October 28, 2024
Subject: Department Operations Updates
Agenda: Agenda Item "K"

Electric Department

- After-hours on-call answering service will be changed to New England Call Center ASAP.
- Tariff rider has been submitted to the PUC and is pending review.
- Electric sales to Pageant Park's seasonal campers totaled \$3,538.31.
- Vera LaPorte attended a meeting with Steve Farman (VPPSA), Scott Johnstone (Morrisville Water & Light) and a State contractor regarding the electrification of the RCT fleet and possible locations for storage and EV charging stations. The charging stations would require three-phase service and several locations throughout the Village were identified as possibilities. This project is currently in the study phase.
- Ken Nolan (VPPSA) will be attending the Regular BOT Meeting on 11/11/2024 to continue discussions about Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI).

Wastewater Department

- Glover agreement – Since the Glover agreement is based mainly on flow and BOD/TSS, Mike Mainer with Aldritch & Elliott has advised against updating it until it can be determined with 100% certainty that the high strength wastewater originates from Glover's users. He has been given some data to make the determination, but more sampling may need to be done.
- Facility upgrade – Mike Mainer would like to submit the final report to the State by the end of the year. He also suggested visiting Hardwick's wastewater facility as it is very similar to the upgrade option that the Trustees are considering.
- The wastewater treatment facility continues to operate well and all reporting deadlines are being met.

Water Department

- [The Vermont Bond Bank Small System Capacity and Resiliency Program](#) (SCR) Tier II grant applications are currently being accepted. Backup generators unfortunately do not meet the criteria but refurbishing the carbon filters may, as well as the previously purchased chlorine analyzer. Applications are due 12/02/2024.
- A recent audit of water/sewer accounts produced several meters that are underperforming or may not be reading at all. DPW Foreman Andy Sicard and DPW Utility Worker Garrett Heath are working on testing/replacing them.
- The water treatment facility continues to operate well and all reporting deadlines are being met.

Highway Department

- Paving is complete for the season. The potholes on School Street, Church Street, and Pageant Park Road have all been filled.
- The failing culvert on Eastern Avenue has apparently been a known issue since 2021. Andy Sicard and Garrett Heath have shored up the area with riprap and ditching. This project may be eligible for grant funding through the [2026 Vermont Better Roads Program](#) (20% grant match if project is \$60,000 or less). Applications are due 12/27/2024.
- Bethany Ford's property has been cleaned up and re-seeded.
- Salt/sand shed – Tyler Billingsly is working on the RFP and hopes to have it in place by the end of the year and bids accepted for construction in spring of 2025. Community National Bank and Passumpsic Bank have both shown interest in financing the remaining amount required.
- Ditching around the Village has begun with Roaring Brook Road, Glover Road, Vigario Lane, and High Street in particular focus.
- See Flood Update for additional information.

Village Department

- School crossing signs – All the prep work has been done to install the signs but they are more expensive than originally anticipated (over \$5,000). Currently getting more quotes from suppliers.
- The Village received \$20,000 of the promised \$80,000 flood recovery funds from the FY24 Budget Adjustment Act. Marilyn Prue has provided some helpful insight on the intended use of these funds.
- The BOT inspected Washington Terrace (TH422) on 08/21/2024 as part of the process of discontinuing the road. Vera LaPorte working on easement with Kevin Henry at Primmer & Piper and the final report.
- Offer of employment for the Lead Finance/HR position was extended to Amy Braun and she accepted. Her first day was 10/21/2024.
- Crystal Currier (VPPSA) has offered to stay on one day per week after retirement to wrap up some projects and continue training her replacement.

- The ATV Ordinance amendment was published in the Chronicle on 10/23/2024 and posted at the Village office, C&C Supermarket, Post Office, Community National Bank, and the Barton Public Library.
- See Flood update for additional information.

Proposed Motion: None.