Barton Village, Inc.

**Regular Trustees Meeting** 

Tuesday, November 25, 2025 – 6:00 PM

Barton Village Memorial Building - Back Office

Meeting will be moved downstairs in the event of any access issues for attendees. To request relocation prior to the scheduled meeting, please call 802-525-4747, Monday–Friday, 7:30 AM–4:00 PM.

### Attendance

- Present: Gina Lyon (Chair, Business Manager), Marilyn Prue (Trustee), Jacqueline Laurion (Clerk)
- Absent: Ellis Merchant

### Agenda

### Call to Order

Chair Gina Lyon called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

## Changes to the Agenda

None.

### Privilege of the Floor

Jacqueline Laurion inquired about holiday music for the Village Square. The Village intends to provide music again this year, as it is a well-received seasonal feature.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

## 1. Approval of Minutes - November 11, 2025, Regular Meeting

Gina Lyon made a motion to approve the minutes of November 11, 2025, as presented. Marilyn Prue seconded.

Motion carried.

### 2. Bills and Warrants

Marilyn Prue made a motion to approve the Bills and Warrants as presented. Gina Lyon seconded.

### Motion carried.

# 3. Adoption of Board of Abatement Rules of Procedure

Gina Lyon reported that formal abatement procedures had not previously been established. She and Sheila Martin developed a formalized procedure for Trustee review. One abatement hearing will be scheduled once the procedure is adopted.

Following review, Marilyn Prue made a motion to adopt the Village of Barton Abatement Rules of Procedure.

Gina Lyon seconded.

### Motion carried.

## 4. Approval of CNB Hydro Line of Credit

Community National Bank's line of credit for the Hydro Project required Trustee approval for renewal.

Marilyn Prue made a motion to approve the CNB Hydro Line of Credit. Gina Lyon seconded.

Motion carried.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

## **Department Operations Updates**

### Office

- It is our goal that in January, Water Sewer and Electric billing will be sent together to reduce postage costs and improve operational efficiency.
- Gina Lyon has begun obtaining quotes for mail sorting equipment. Current outsourcing is causing mail delays and is an extra expense.
- MERP project work has commenced at the Memorial Building, with contractors onsite beginning rehabilitation tasks.

### Public Works (DPW)

 Delivery and installation of the Salt/Sand Shed, scheduled for November 25, did not occur as of the meeting. Gina Lyon left a message with Engineer Tyler Billingsley on November 24 and is awaiting a response. The Village Backhoe was sent to Beauregard Equipment for repairs on November 19.

### **Water Treatment**

- Generator work is scheduled for December 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025.
- Stan Welch of Tailwater Engineering will attend the December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Trustee Meeting to discuss the well water project.

#### Wastewater

• Mike Mainer of Aldrich & Elliott will join the December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025, meeting to discuss the Wastewater Project and bond vote. The Glover Select Board will also be invited to attend.

#### Electric

• PUC approved rate increase is expected to be slightly lower than requested. Original request: 5.61%; anticipated approval: 4.21%. Official confirmation is pending.

## **Hydro Plant**

- The project continues to progress:
  - o Troy Boiler has begun penstock fabrication but is behind schedule, shifting delivery from December 1st, 2025, to December 15th, 2025.
  - With this delay, the HYDRO project completion is expected to extend into the New Year.
  - o Concrete saddles are continuing to be poured for the new penstock.

#### **Other Business**

None.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. Legal Action - 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(E)

Not needed.

2. Personnel - 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(3)

Gina Lyon made a motion to enter Executive Session at 6:31 PM.

Marilyn Prue seconded.

### Motion carried.

Gina Lyon made a motion to come out of Executive Session and adjourn at 7:13 PM with no action taken.

Marilyn Prue Seconded.

Motion carried.

## Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 PM

# **Upcoming Meetings**

- Regular Board Meeting: December 9, 2025
- Regular Board Meeting: December 23, 2025

Regina Lyon, Trustee, Board Chair