

**BARODA TOWNSHIP**  
Board Meeting Minutes  
November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Draft

The Baroda Township Board met on Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 9091 First St in the Municipal Buildings meeting room, Baroda. Present were Board Members Dennis Krotzer, Christina Price, William Hurst, Larry Klug and David Wolf. There were 7 audience members. The meeting was opened at 6:59pm with a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**GUEST-** Lolaus Lee owner of AMS Displays was present to speak with the Township Board about his company and to answer any questions that the Board may have for the 2024 Fireworks contract.

**GUEST-** Bob DeVries from REV Excavating, LLC was present to discuss the Ruggles Cemetery Project and to answer any questions the Township Board may have.

**Library Report**

The library report for October 2023 was reported by, Director Joelle Wake. Baroda Check out Counts for October, 2023 was reported at 692 based on the population 2,835. Upcoming Program Spotlight Tuesday Morning Book Group , Lego at the Library and Christmas Around the World.

**Police Report-** Dennis Krotzer read the Police Report from Chief Shawn Martin with a total of 310 calls for October 2023. Lake Twp. had 192, Baroda Twp. 79, Baroda Village 18 and 21 outside our jurisdiction.

**Fire Department Report**

- Fire Chief Chris Burch gave the Fire Department report. He reported total incidents for the month of October 2023 were 4 and year to date was 71. He reported the total hours of training for October were 121.5 hours, in House 71 and Offsite 50.5. Burn Permits requested 10, year to date total is 105. Accomplished Department Goals: New Gear Extractor has been installed, quote for \$20,000 to receive grant, New Hose reel Installed on Pickup Truck, New Hand Lights for Traffic Control, Fire Prevention Week, Department open House, Trick or Treating, Most current PPE Inventory has been inventoried and any needed PPE is added into the Grant Quote. New Goals Air Pack Grant, Region Grant, Fire Chief will be attended regional conference, station computer, all firefighter's signoff on engine 220 and moving to bigger apparatus, Fire Department fun Day 2024.
- Dinges Fire Quote to be paid for by grant that was applied for by Fire Department. After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to approve spending \$21,682.01 from the Fire Equipment Fund, supported by Larry Klug. By Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes; William Hurst, David Wolf, Dennis Krotzer, Larry Klug and Christina Price. Voting No, None. Motion Carried
- Fireworks 2024 – Dennis Krotzer made a motion to rescind the previous vote of hiring R&R Pyrotechnics for 2024 Fireworks display, seconded by David Wolf. Vote. All Yes. Motion Carried
- Fireworks 2024 – After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to hire AMS for \$25,000.00 to display the 2024 Baroda Fireworks, supported by William Hurst. By Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes; William Hurst, David Wolf, Dennis Krotzer, Larry Klug and Christina Price. Voting No, None. Motion Carried

**Fire Hydrant Rental with the Village- Postponed**

**Medic One** – Dennis Krotzer gave a brief report.

**Assessors Report-** Dennis Krotzer mentioned the Board of Review will be meeting in December.

### **Treasurers Report**

William Hurst presented the Treasurers report as of October 2023, Baroda Township Funds had cash balances as follows: All funds and CDs are with Honor Credit Union:

<b>General Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$377,186.86</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$250,000.00</b>
<b>Library Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$3,956.92</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$50.00</b>
<b>Road Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$7,970.06</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$45,000.00</b>
<b>Baroda Police Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$10,348.31</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$70,000.00</b>
<b>Fire Maintenance Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$43,938.53</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$140,000.00</b>
<b>Fire Equipment Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$16,470.97</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$90,000.00</b>
<b>Rubbish Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$49,019.77</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$100,000.00</b>
<b>Ambulance Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$7,971.38</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$30,000.00</b>
<b>Building Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$16,825.31</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$60,000.00</b>
<b>Water Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$8,047.95</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$135,000.00</b>
<b>Tax Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$81,855.71</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$50.00</b>

– Dennis Krotzer made a motion to approve the Treasurers report as presented, supported by David Wolf. Vote. All Yes. Motion Carried.

- William Hurst also reported that the Winter Tax bills will be coming out soon.

### **Ordinance Officer Report**

No Report

### **Clerks Report**

\*Christina Price reported that she was unable to attend the ICS 300/400 due to illness and will look forward to attending the next classes available.

\*Christina Price presented an itemized credit card report with copies of all receipts that will be stated in the bills report.

\* **Christina Price presented the Bills Report.** After discussion Dennis Krotzer moved to approve the bills report, seconded by Larry Klug. By Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes; William Hurst, David Wolf, Dennis Krotzer, Larry Klug and Christina Price. Voting No, None. Motion Carried

#### **\* Budget Amendments- Postponed**

\***Planning Commission-** The Planning Commissioners had a public hearing and approved a SLUP for a Tourist Home based on certain conditions for final approval, the Master Plan was not discussed as Wightman's was not present at the meeting and that there was discussion about having a total count of SLUP in Baroda.

\***Trail and Treat-** Christina Price mentioned that Trail and Treat was a huge success and that she appreciated everyone that stepped up to help her since she was not feeling well. Attendance was over 1200 adults and children, the traffic flow was better, but there are still concerns with people parking on both sides of the street, Dennis Krotzer had to make a candy run, things started to slow down around 4:00pm when the hotdogs ran out.

### **Maintenance Report**

Larger Vacuum for Leaves – Will be discussed at Budget time.

### **Unfinished Business –**

**Hess Lake Park 17acre Field** – The plan is to talk with Ben from Wightmans and see what the next steps are to the Grant Process.

**Ruggles Cemetery Project** – Two quotes were presented one from D'Agostino's for \$67,105.00 and the other REV Excavating, LLC for \$33,600.00. After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to approve the quote from REV Excavating, LLC with a finish date of May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 and with the possibility of removing the silk fence quote that would bring the total to \$28,275.00 roughly. Supported by Christina Price. By Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes; David Wolf, Dennis Krotzer, Larry Klug and Christina Price. Voting No, William Hurst. 4 to 1 Vote: Motion Carried

**Broadband Update** – William Hurst and Teri Freehling gave a brief report on coverage locations. William Hurst asked for Board approval to write a letter to the residents to inform them on what to expect with MEC and Broadband. The Board agreed.

**Lake Township Sewer Contract** – Postponed

**Cleveland Road Property-** Roger is working on getting the parcels split.

## **New Business –**

**Republic Services** – Christina Price mentioned that a sales rep. from Republic Service contacted her and wanted to know if we were open to receiving bids. After further discussion it was decided to send a copy of the contract with the amounts extracted to Republic Services.

**Veteran Parking Signs** - Dennis Krotzer mention that the Township is able to get free Veterans Parking signs, Board agreed to move forward with it and let Dennis and Christina choose the locations.

**Road Department-** This will be discussed at the December Meeting.

### **Minutes-**

After further discussion Larry Klug made a motion to approve 10/16/2023 minutes, seconded by David Wolf. Vote. All yes-Motion Carried.

After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to approve 11/6/2023 minutes, seconded by William Hurst. Vote. All yes-Motion Carried.

**Supervisors Comments** – Dennis Krotzer mentioned he will be talking to LRS about the current service issues.

**Audience Comments** –None

Dennis Krotzer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:48pm, supported by David Wolf, Vote- All Yes. Motion Carried.

Christina Price,  
Baroda Township Clerk