

**BARODA TOWNSHIP**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
**Draft Minutes**

The Baroda Township Board met on Monday August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 9091 First St., in the Municipal Buildings meeting room, Baroda. Present were Board Members William Hurst, Dennis Krotzer, Larry Klug, David Wolf and Christina Price. There were 17 audience members. The meeting was opened at 7:00pm with a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Library Report**

Joelle Wake, director of Lincoln Township Library was present to give the library report. Collection/Circulation for July 2025 Baroda was 811.

**Police Report-** Dennis Krotzer gave the Police Department report for August 2025. Total calls for July 2025 were 286; Baroda Village 30, Baroda Township 80.

**Fire Department -**

- **Fire Report** - Fire Chief, Chris Burch gave the Fire Department report. He reported total incidents for the month of July 2025 were 8, with a total of 58 YTD. A congratulations was given to Thomas Giudice for being promoted to the Rank Captain and Matthew Johnson for being promoted to Engineer and Equipment Specialist.
  - Class A Uniforms were discussed. After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to spend up to \$2,000 for new Class A Uniforms, seconded 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.
  - New fire station symposium is being held near Detroit it was requested that 4 members be sent. After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to spend up to \$2,000.00 on hotel and travel, seconded 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.
  - Nuisance call billing- More information is needed.
- **DNR Mutual Aide Agreement Form** – After further discussion David Wolf made a motion to approve the Fire Department signing a contract with DNR to receive another DNR Vehicle for the Fire Department.
- **Cameras on Fire Trucks** – After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to approve getting cameras on all Fire Department Trucks and to spend up to \$1,000., seconded by David Wolf. By Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes; William Hurst, David Wolf, Dennis Krotzer, Larry Klug and Christina Price. Voting No, None. Motion Carried
- **Movie Night at Hess Lake Park-** August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025 is movie night for the children at Hess Lake Park, there will be a raffle and all donations go to the Fire Departments donations.
- **Berrien County Suicide Prevention 5k run/walk September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025** – Baroda Lions will be doing a pancake breakfast and the Fire Department will help with traffic control.
- **Fire Station Property Update-**
  - New Building Schematic – The Fire Department introduce a new layout for the Fire Station.
  - Proposed Next Steps – There will be more discussion at the September meeting after the fire department conference. There was discussion on possibly creating a Building Committee.

**Medic One** – None

**Assessors Report-** None

### Treasurers Report

William Hurst presented the Treasurers report as of July 2025 Baroda Township Funds had cash balances as follows: All funds and CDs are with Honor Credit Union:

<b>General Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$20,564.33</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$330,816.86</b>
<b>Library Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$4,310.55</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$16,354.29</b>
<b>Road Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$7,113.99</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$46,758.76</b>
<b>Baroda Police Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$4,032.34</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$246,645.97</b>
<b>Fire Maintenance Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$21,096.79</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$286,298.16</b>
<b>Fire Equipment Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$26,315.69</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$285,906.92</b>
<b>Rubbish Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$9,299.61</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$226,340.83</b>
<b>Ambulance Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$7,354.86</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$77,783.93</b>
<b>Building Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$11,281.15</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$46,242.27</b>
<b>Water Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$1,220.46</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$148,804.52</b>
<b>Tax Fund =</b>	<b>Cash Balance, \$52,465.34</b>	<b>CD Balance, \$47,292.88</b>

– Dennis Krotzer made a motion to approve the Treasurers report as amended for the General Fund from \$54,054.37 to \$54,045.37 from the July 2025 meeting and approving the current report as presented, supported by David Wolf. Vote. All Yes. Motion Carried.

### Ordinance Officer Report

No Report

### Clerks Report

- **Christina Price has the Credit Card packets available for review on the table** with copies of all receipts that will be stated in the bills report.
- **Bills Report** - Christina Price presented the bills report for July 21st, August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Dennis Krotzer made a motion to approve the bills report as presented, seconded by David Wolf. By Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes; William Hurst, David Wolf, Dennis Krotzer, Larry Klug and Christina Price. Voting No, None. Motion Carried
- **Update on Budget Amendments, Budget and JE from Audit.** The Clerk reported that she is finishing up with JE entries from the Audit and will have Budget Amendments, Budget Report and Balance Sheet reports at the September meeting.
- **Planning Commission** – Planning Commission will be meeting August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025
- **Trail and Treat** – It was reported that the planning is underway and collections have started, a report will be presented at the September meeting.
- **Accounting Training** - Christina Price presented information from Plante Moran for a Government Finance and Accounting Education class that is offered over the 2026 year. The program will allow two individuals to attend. After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to pay \$3,000 for Christina Price and William Hurst to do the year class starting in January 2026, seconded by David Wolf.
- **Victorian Tea September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025** – Christina Price reported that Victorian Tea will be held at Ruggles Cemetery on September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025 from 2-3pm.

### Maintenance Report

- None

### Building Department

- **Solar Panel Ordinance** – Postponed

## **Unfinished Business –**

- **Hess Lake Park Vegetation Removal** – Postponed
- **Park WIFI-** Tubing was installed, waiting on MEC to run the fiber optic lines.
- **CGA Update** – Bobs Jones is the new CGA employee and will be meeting with all the Municipalities.
- **Quote for tree removal and trimming at Hess Lake Park and Ruggles Cemetery-** After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to hire Tactical Tree Service for Hess Lake Park and Ruggles Cemetery for \$8,350.00, seconded by David Wolf. By Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes; William Hurst, David Wolf, Dennis Krotzer, Larry Klug and Christina Price. Voting No, None. Motion Carried

## **New Business –**

- **Drain Notice Johns #263** – Was reviewed and discussed
- Library additional contributions – After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to approve contributing additional funds to the library, with leaving \$4,000 in the bank, seconded 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

## **Minutes-**

After further discussion David Wolf made a motion to approve the minutes from 7/21/2025 as amended with treasurer's report correction on the General Fund Cash in Bank Balance as listed above, supported by William Hurst. Vote- All Yes. Motion Carried.

## **Audience Comments –**

- Cindy Shepard and Greta Hurst had comments.

## **Supervisors Comments – None**

Dennis Krotzer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:59pm, supported by David Wolf Vote - All Yes. Motion Carried.

Christina Price,  
Baroda Township Clerk