

BARODA TOWNSHIP
Board Meeting Minutes
December 15th, 2025
Draft Minutes

The Baroda Township Board met on Monday December 15th, 2025 at 9091 First St., in the Municipal Buildings meeting room, Baroda. Present were Board Members William Hurst, Dennis Krotzer, Larry Klug, and Christina Price. David Wolf was joined in the meeting by Phone and no voting. There were 4 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 November 2025 report. Baroda had a total of 841 check outs for November 2025, Participants 37. Upcoming Programs were discussed.

Police Report- Dennis Krotzer gave the Police Department report for November 2025. Total calls for November 2025 for Baroda Township were 84 and Village of Baroda 17.

Police Millage Renewal – There was brief discussion on the 2026 Police Millage renewal and Increase. Currently the Township is under paying for Baroda-Lake Police Services per current agreement. It was reported that Baroda currently has 24'7 police coverage.

Police Budget- The corrected Baroda-Lake Police budget was given to the Board Members.

Police Additional Funds – After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to give additional funds to the Baroda-Lake Police Department in the amount of \$52,000, supported by Larry Klug. By Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes; William Hurst, Dennis Krotzer, Larry Klug and Christina Price. Voting No, None. Motion Carried.

Fire Department -

- **Fire Report** - Fire Chief, Chris Burch gave the Fire Department report. He reported total incidents for the month of November 2025 were 7, with a total of 84 YTD.
- **Joint Fire Department Training Schedule** - A joint Fire Department training schedule was presented for future reference.
- **Berrien County Fire Chiefs Association Mutual Aid Agreement** – After further discussion Larry Klug made a motion to approve the Fire Chief to sign the contract, seconded by Dennis Krotzer. Vote All-Yes. Motion Carried.
- **Memorandum of Understanding Between Berrien County Information Systems and Baroda Fire Department.** After further discussion more information is needed on full pricing, who pays for tablets, data needs to be reviewed.
- **Fire Station Property Update-**
 - William Hurst reported that Wightman's Needs & Cost Analysis will approximately take 3 months to complete.

Medic One – None

Assessors Report- BOR met last week and future training will be required for BOR members.

Treasurers Report

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

General Fund =	Cash Balance, \$20,578.67	CD Balance, \$294,791.57
Library Fund =	Cash Balance, \$146.34	CD Balance, \$3,947.79
Road Fund =	Cash Balance, \$13,377.47	CD Balance, \$40,273.05
Baroda Police Fund =	Cash Balance, \$5,173.89	CD Balance, \$151,299.68
Fire Maintenance Fund =	Cash Balance, \$12,920.14	CD Balance, \$234,509.02
Fire Equipment Fund =	Cash Balance, \$25,718.63	CD Balance, \$289,548.52
Rubbish Fund =	Cash Balance, \$6,313.07	CD Balance, \$142,648.79
Ambulance Fund =	Cash Balance, \$2,447.84	CD Balance, \$73,242.00
Building Fund =	Cash Balance, \$13,423.96	CD Balance, \$46,831.23
Water Fund =	Cash Balance, \$1,283.63	CD Balance, \$150,699.83
Tax Fund =	Cash Balance, \$14,017.04	CD Balance, \$46,488.19

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

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 November 2025. Dennis Krotzer made a motion to approve the bills report as presented, seconded by William Hurst. By Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes; William Hurst, Dennis Krotzer, Larry Klug and Christina Price. Voting No, None. Motion Carried
- **Budget Amendment** – The Budget Report and Budget Amendments were presented. After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to approve the Budget Amendments as presented, seconded by Larry Klug. By Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes; William Hurst, Dennis Krotzer, Larry Klug and Christina Price. Voting No, None. Motion Carried
- **Balance Sheets** – The Balance Sheets for all funds were presented for discussion.
- **Planning Commission** – None
- **End of the year payroll reported** – Christina Price reported that she plans to use Heather for the end of the year reporting again.

Maintenance Report

- It was reported that the regular maintenance on the Township pickup truck to take place soon, along with breaks. It was also reported that in spring Co-Alliance will change out the larger propane tank for the 2 120 gallon tanks.

Building Department

- **None**

Unfinished Business –

- **Hess Lake Park Vegetation Removal** – Postponed
- **Berrien County Road Department Project Summary** – After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to approve the 2026 Road Project Summary of \$144,428 for Jayme Dr. to Cleveland Ave, Gray Road to Lemon Creek, Cleveland to Marlene Dr. and Amy Dr., supported by William Hurst. By Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes; William Hurst, Dennis Krotzer, Larry Klug and Christina Price. Voting No, None. Motion Carried
- **Millage Renewals for Police and Fire Equipment**- There was discussion about holding a May Election for the Townships Millage renewals, with the understanding that the Township would have to pay for the entire election. Christina Price also mentioned that she sent the Township's Attorney a draft of the Police renewal and increase and will send the Fire Equipment soon. There will be further discussion on what millage increase will be proposed for the Police Fund.

New Business –

- **CGA-** William Hurst reported that there could be an MEMC matching grant opportunity. After further discussion Christina Price will get a list of projects for review.

Minutes-

After further discussion Dennis Krotzer made a motion to approve the minutes from 11/24/2025 as written, supported by Larry Klug. Vote- All Yes. Motion Carried.

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Audience Comments –

- None

Supervisors Comments – None

Dennis Krotzer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:03pm, supported by Larry Klug Vote - All Yes. Motion Carried.

Christina Price,
Baroda Township Clerk