

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF BARNES  
MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING  
June 16, 2015 at 6:30PM**

**(Unapproved)**

At 6:32PM Chairman Tom Krob called the Monthly Town Board Meeting to order. Roll call was taken with Christine Webb, Donna Porter, Julie Bohl, and Tom Emerson present representing the Board establishing a quorum. Also present were Brenda Bakke, Clerk-Treasurer and Bob Lang Roads & Property Foreman. Bakke verified public notice. The pledge of allegiance to the flag was then said by all.

**Motion made (Porter/Bohl) to approve the agenda and the minutes of the 05/19/2015, 05/27/2015 and 6/9/2015 Board Meetings, and to dispense with the reading of those minutes. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

**Public Comment Session – 5 minute limit for those not on agenda**

Matthew Wyatt – spoke regarding his application for an Operator License

Zachary Derosiers – expressed his desire to further serve the town by doing seasonal mowing

**Vouchers Approval –**

**Motion made (Emerson/Webb) to approve the May vouchers. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

**Clerk/Treasurer Report: Brenda Bakke**

Treasurer's Report - Krob stated we have two CD's coming due for renewal July 11, 2015. Two additional CD's are up for renewal in August 2015. Krob suggested we check into the interest rates at other financial institutions and recommended Bremer Bank because they give towns grants. The Board discussed HCCU savings account and whether funds should be transferred to reimburse the remaining balance of new office building expenses paid from General Fund Checking as previously planned. No fund transfer is to be made at this time.

**Motion made (Webb/Porter) to authorize the Chairman and Treasurer to renew the two CD's at HCCU, or wherever we can find the best rates, that are up for renewal July 11, 2015. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Bohl/Porter) to approve the May Treasurer's Report. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

Clerk Correspondence

Approval of Liquor License applications -

**Motion made (Webb/Bohl) to approve the liquor license application for Backwoods Resort. Roll call vote taken with Porter and Emerson voting yes. Motion carried. Krob abstained.**

**Motion made (Porter/Bohl) to approve the liquor license applications for Barnes Trading Post, Barnes VFW Post 8329, Cedar Lodge Steakhouse & Grille, R-C's Decoy Inn, Doorn's Inn, Enchanted Inn, Jim's Bait, Mike Sportsman Saloon, PJ's Cabin Store, Traut's Resort, and The Windsor. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Krob/Webb) to approve liquor license application for the Buck-n-Bass Resort contingent on past due liquor bill being paid prior to July 1, 2015. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

Approval of Operator License applications –

**Motion made (Webb/Bohl) to approve the operator license one year renewal application for Kelsey McNaughton. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Bohl/Porter) to approve the operator license two year renewal applications for Angela Arseneau, Brenda Bakke, James Frint, Nancy Gohde, Colleen Ruhman, Scott Ruhman, Lynn Skandel, and Amanda VanDoorn. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Webb/Bohl) to approve the new one year operator license application for Mary Bollman. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Porter/Emerson) to approve the new one year operator license application for Robert Brennan. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Porter/Emerson) to approve the new one year operator license application for Matthew Wyatt. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

#### **TOB Department Head Reports:**

Highway Department – Monthly Roads Report was presented by Bob Lang.

The Board extends a thank you to our Roads & Properties crew for the work they have done in the park, around the town hall and town office areas, and for the help they've given the Garden Club.

The Town Board also extends a special thank you to the Gordon-Barnes Garden Club for all the work they have done at the town office and town hall planting beautiful new gardens and cleaning up the old ones.

Discussion ensued regarding expanding the duties of town employee Zachary Derosiers duties to have him do the summer roadside mowing.

**Motion made (Webb/Porter) to allow Zachary Derosier to work part time with the highway maintenance crew.**

**Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

Lake Road Chip Seal – Flexpatch crack sealing work planned for Lake Rd. in 2015 will be done by Fahrner Asphalt at the price quoted for 2014. Krob suggested chip sealing be done following the flexpatch to protect the road.

**Motion made (Emerson/Bohl) to have the chip sealing done this year on Lake Rd. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

Fire & Ambulance Departments – Monthly BES Reports were presented by Krob for Tom Renz.

Constable – Monthly Report from Mike O'Keefe was read by Krob.

#### **TOB Committee and Commission Reports:**

Parks & Rec Committee – Donna Porter/Tom Krob

Tennis Court Updates – Krob reports quotes for sealing and re-painting tennis courts should be in soon.

Tourism Committee – Julie Bohl

Bohl made a request to add two new regular committee members, Dana Hodowanic and Melissa Scully.

**Motion made (Krob/Webb) to increase the Tourism Committee from 5 members to 7 members, and approve Dana Hodowanic and Melissa Scully as full-time Tourism Committee members. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

Transfer Site Committee – Tom Emerson requests to table the review of the recycling list and pricing at this time.

#### **New Business**

WI Historical Society is requesting the Barnes Board of Health/Medical Records from 1937-1957. The Board discussed whether we would want to allow the WI Historical Society to place the records at the Ashland Visitor Center or keep the records.

**Motion made (Webb/Emerson) to table for further discussion at a later date. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

Town Committees – The Board reviewed the function of committees and their activity. A suggestion was made to combine the Tourism Committee and Parks & Recreation Committee at a future date. Emerson stated the Transfer Site Committee could become inactive until needed again also.

**Motion made (Krob/Bohl) that all committees re-evaluate their anticipated need based on their mission statement and needs for active status. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

**Last Month's Meeting Follow-up –**

Land Use Planning Commission –

- 1) Fred & Diane Weier – request withdrawn by property owner
- 2) Michael Haroldson & Yvonne Sorenson – request withdrawn by property owner
- 3) Darrin & Kristen Schmitz – request withdrawn by property owner

**Motion made (Emerson/Porter) that we decline the above zoning requests based on the applicants withdrawal of their applications with the Bayfield County Zoning Department. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

Town Board Issues Timeline Log - Review & Update

Renz to meet with Dr. Stolie to form Ambulance Committee.

**Motion made (Webb/Bohl) to adjourn the Monthly Town Board Meeting. Roll call vote taken with all voting yes. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:47PM.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Brenda Bakke, Clerk-Treasurer

June 18, 2015