

**Minutes of Regular Town Board Meeting
February 13, 2023
Town of Baraboo**

1. Meeting was called to order by the town board chairperson, Bill Klemm, at 7:00 PM. Roll call was taken; present were chairperson Bill Klemm; supervisors Randy Puttkamer, Steve Hess, Paul Hasheider, and Mike Terry; and clerk Morgan Olson. Treasurer Mary Farrell-Stieve arrived at 8:20 PM.
2. Clerk Morgan Olson verified compliance with Wisconsin's Open Meeting Laws.
3. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. Motion was made by Mike Terry to adopt the meeting agenda. Motion was seconded by Steve Hess. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Motion was made by Randy Puttkamer to approve the minutes of the regular town board meeting held on January 9, 2023. Motion was seconded by Steve Hess. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Citizen's appearance; town patrolman Kory Cummings asked the town board about the possibility to hire a second part-time patrolman for emergency situations, and reminded the town board that the 2015 Western Star plow truck is nearing scheduled replacement.
7. Motion was made by Steve Hess to agree to terms with MBE CPA's to perform an annual review of the town's financial situation. Motion was seconded by Randy Puttkamer. Motion carried unanimously.
8. Motion was made by Steve Hess to approve a Conditional Use Permit and Tourist Rooming House Permit application for a residential structure from owners Tom and Theresa Johnson of TJJ Holdings, LLC on tax parcel 002-0333-00000, located at E12058 Steinke Road. Motion was seconded by Randy Puttkamer. Motion carried unanimously.
9. Motion was made by Steve Hess to approve a Conditional Use Permit and Tourist Rooming House Permit application for a converted barn from owners Tom and Theresa Johnson of TJJ Holdings, LLC on tax parcel 002-0333-10000, located adjacent to E12058 Steinke Road. Motion was seconded by Randy Puttkamer. Motion carried unanimously.
10. Discussion was held regarding annual review of the town's ATV/UTV routes. After discussion, the town board decided that no changes were necessary.
11. Discussion was held regarding allocation of funds granted to the town from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. A representative from Reedsburg Utility Company Lightspeed informed the town board, via email, that ARPA funds could help RUCL secure a grant from the State of Wisconsin to install broadband in an underserved portion of the town. After discussion, the town board decided to discuss this further at a special town board meeting, to be set during item 13 of this agenda.
12. Discussion was held regarding replacement of contractors for internet and landline telephone services to the town hall. After discussion, the town board tasked town clerk Morgan Olson to research the issue further.
13. Town board chairperson Bill Klemm called for a special town board meeting to be held at 7:00 PM on Monday, February 20, 2023 for the purposes of accepting bids for the 2023 South Shore Road Ditching & Road Reconstruction Projects, discussing allocation of ARPA funds, and discussing employment of a second part-time patrolman.
14. Discussion was held regarding appointment of Town of Baraboo resident Tom Clark to the newly formed Baraboo Area Fire & EMS District Personnel Board. After discussion, town board chairperson Bill Klemm appointed Mr. Clark to the personnel board.
15. Discussion was held regarding appointment of a Town of Baraboo Sanitary Sewer District member to fill the vacant seat of resigned term holder Fred Gasner. No new information to report.
16. Discussion was held regarding machinery and contractors for trash and recycling services at the town recycling center. No new information to report.
17. Correspondence, communications, and committee reports were given.

- 18. Due to a minor technical issue, treasurer Mary Farrell-Stieve could not reconcile the Treasurer's Report for the month of January. Town board chairperson Bill Klemm added the issue to the agenda for the special town board meeting on February 20, 2023.**
- 19. Motion was made by Paul Hasheider to approve the vouchers and checks as presented. Motion was seconded by Randy Puttkamer. Motion carried unanimously.**
- 20. Motion was made by Paul Hasheider to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Mike Terry. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:09 PM.**

Morgan K. Olson, Town Clerk