



**VILLAGE OF BARTLETT**  
**BOARD MINUTES**  
**February 4, 2020**

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1. CALL TO ORDER

President Wallace called the regular meeting of February, 2020 of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bartlett to order on the above date at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustees Camerer, Carbonaro, Deyne, Gabrenya, Hopkins, Reinke and President Wallace

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Village Administrator Paula Schumacher, Assistant Village Administrator Scott Skrycki, Management Analyst Joey Dienberg, Finance Director Todd Dowden, Director of Public Works Dan Dinges, Public Works Engineer Bob Allen, Building Director Brian Goralski, Golf Professional Phil Lenz, Police Chief Patrick Ullrich, Deputy Chief Jim Durbin, Village Attorney Bryan Mraz and Village Clerk Lorna Gilles.

3. INVOCATION – Pastor Jim Dipalma from Encounter Church of Bartlett gave the invocation.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

5. CONSENT AGENDA

President Wallace stated that all items marked with an asterisk on the Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. He further stated that there will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member so requests, in which event, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered at the appropriate point on the Agenda. He asked if there were any items a Board member wished to remove from the Consent Agenda, or any items a Board member wished to add to the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Camerer stated that he would like to add Item 2 under Public Works, Ordinance 2020-11-R, a Resolution Approving of a Professional Services Agreement Between the Village of Bartlett and V3 Companies for Engineering and Design Services for the South Oak Avenue Parking Lot Project to the Consent Agenda.

President Wallace then recited each item that was on the Consent Agenda, including the nature of the matters being considered and other information to inform the public of matters being voted upon. He then stated that he would entertain a motion to approve



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the Amended Consent Agenda, and the items designated to be approved by consent therein.

Trustee Deyne moved to Amend the Consent Agenda and that motion was seconded by Trustee Carbonaro.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO AMEND THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSENT ITEMS THEREIN**

AYES: Trustees Camerer, Carbonaro, Deyne, Gabrenya, Hopkins, Reinke  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
**MOTION CARRIED**

Trustee Camerer moved to approve the Amended Consent Agenda and that motion was seconded by Trustee Deyne.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE AMENDED CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSENT ITEMS THEREIN**

AYES: Trustees Camerer, Carbonaro, Deyne, Gabrenya, Hopkins, Reinke  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
**MOTION CARRIED**

6. MINUTES – Covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.
7. BILL LIST – Covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.
8. TREASURER’S REPORT - None
9. PRESIDENT’S REPORT - None
10. QUESTION/ANSWER: PRESIDENT & TRUSTEES

Trustee Deyne recognized birthdays and anniversaries.

11. TOWN HALL – None
12. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS



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**A. BUILDING & ZONING COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN HOPKINS**

Trustee Hopkins stated that Ordinance 2020-12, an Ordinance Amending the Bartlett Municipal Code Title 10 Zoning to Add Regulations for the Establishment of Trailer and Semi-Trailer Storage Lots and Ordinance 2020-13, an Ordinance Amending the Bartlett Municipal Code Title 3 Business and License Regulations by Adding Chapter 33: Trailer and Semitrailer Storage Lot and Service Tax were covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.

**B. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN GABRENYA**

Trustee Gabrenya stated that there was no report.

**C. FINANCE & GOLF COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN DEYNE**

Trustee Deyne stated that Resolution 2020-14-R, a Resolution Approving of Certificate of Expenditure No. 5 in the Amount of \$663,300 for the Subordinate Lien Tax Increment Revenue Note, Series 2009, for the Bluff City Quarry Redevelopment Project was covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.

**D. LICENSE & ORDINANCE COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN REINKE**

Trustee Reinke stated that there was no report.

**E. POLICE & HEALTH COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN CARBONARO**

Trustee Carbonaro stated that there was no report.

**F. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN CAMERER**

Trustee Camerer stated that Resolution 2020-15-R, a Resolution Authorizing the Use of Motor Fuel Tax Funds in the Amount of \$2,950,000 for the FY2020/21 MFT Program and Resolution 2020-11-R, a Resolution Approving of a Professional Services Agreement Between the Village of Bartlett and V3 Companies for Engineering and Design Services for the South Oak Avenue Parking Lot Project were covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.

**13. NEW BUSINESS**

Trustee Carbonaro stated that last week he received an alarming e-mail from the village administrator regarding the discontinuing of negotiations with Metra on the platform realignment discussion. For seven years, Bartlett has been on a non-existing wait list to fix the serious dysfunctional split platform design in the downtown area. We cannot



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assure the safety of commuters that are taxpayers while they continue to walk directly in front of standing vehicles in the middle of Oak Avenue in the inclement weather. We most certainly cannot allow them to do that in a wheelchair. We have the option of deboarding them on the east side of Oak Avenue into the municipal parking lot to ensure their safety. We have the technology to fix this. Bartlett is one of two stops on the entire Metra circuit that has a split platform from a total of 241 train stops. There is a reason why no one wants this split setup. The history of negotiations with Metra have always ended in the same manner – no money. He was in attendance of a scheduled meeting on January 15, 2018, where the Metra contact (Dimitri) ended the one-hour meeting in the same manner as always – no money. However, there was a concession in our favor. Dimitri stated “we hear you – Bartlett has a lot of problems downtown, we just don’t have any money for these projects at this time”. Recently, Dimitri has reached out to see what our plans were for the downtown area, realigning the platforms, empty parking lot at Berteau, widening of sidewalks and a commuter crossing at Berteau were discussed. This information will most likely be discussed in engineering and budget meetings and a cost estimate will be prepared. Dimitri will return to further discuss these plans. At this time, the Board has removed the village administrator’s ability to further these talks. Now is not the time to walk away from the platform discussions. We are at the front of the line and this is not the time to say we changed our minds. With the doubling of the RTA tax, there are now extra funds for these projects. These increased RTA tax funds are not handouts, they are reinvestments on behalf of taxpayers into the community. Tax dollars were accumulated from DuPage, Kane, Boone and McHenry counties. At the same time, forty million dollars were used to construct two CTA platforms in the City of Chicago over the last four years. All the while, Bartlett received Metra’s standard answer – no money. He has been in communication with the U.S. Senator to investigate the possibility of an oversight committee to obtain approval of these distributions under RTA management to ensure equality. In his mind, that means that RTA taxes collected from DuPage County should be spent for the benefit of DuPage County taxpayers, primarily in DuPage County. In addition to the U.S. Senator, he has been in contact with two State Senators to assist in funding this project because he believes that Bartlett is in dire need of help. He thought that we need an overhaul. Without further discussion we may never know what the cost would be or what we could negotiate Metra to pay or what contributions Bartlett could negotiate not to pay, nor will we know if we are walking away from free money paid by the taxpayers and distributed on behalf of Metra. He moved to reopen the talks regarding the platform realignment for the aforementioned reasons.

President Wallace asked the village administrator if we had any chance to get any money.

Village Administrator Paula Schumacher stated that she thought they had some opportunity to get some money but not all of it. The estimate for the split platform was consistently two million dollars and they never committed to a specific dollar amount but she thought one million was in the offing. They are doing the pedestrian safety crossing changes that we requested at Oak Avenue. They are in the middle of putting that together



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for us and will do that without any financial participation from us. The split platform is a big-ticket item and one that she would need the board to tell her to work on.

President Wallace stated that he spoke with Trustee Carbonaro prior to this meeting and he made a good point. He didn't think that this board and staff would turn down any money.

Trustee Carbonaro stated that this is an important issue since we are trying to build a new apartment complex and these people have no way to get to the train other than walk a half a mile down the street in the middle of the street and through the parking lot to get to a staircase to get up. If we put a pedestrian crossing at Berteau, they could walk to that and get up onto the platform.

The board agreed to allow the staff to pursue conversations with Metra.

Trustee Camerer asked the public works director if he has ordered flowers for the spring.

Public Works Director Dan Dinges stated that they are still confirming using two colors – red and white. They are on order.

14. QUESTION/ANSWER PRESIDENT & TRUSTEES - None

15. ADJOURN TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

President Wallace stated that the Board will be going into the Committee of the Whole meeting immediately following the close of this meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Reinke moved to adjourn the regular Board meeting and that motion was seconded by Trustee Deyne.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO ADJOURN

AYES: Trustees Camerer, Carbonaro, Deyne, Gabrenya, Hopkins, Reinke

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Lorna Gilless  
Village Clerk