

# **TOWN OF BARTON**

**DONALD FOSTER, SUPERVISOR**

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**AGENDA – MARCH 9, 2026 @ 6:30 PM**

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**Via In-Person**

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

**3. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**4. APPROVE VOUCHERS FOR GENERAL, HIGHWAY, SEWER AND WATER FUNDS**

**5. PERSONNEL**

- a. Town Clerk
- b. Highway Superintendent

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Standard Workday and Reporting Resolution
- b. Approve Annual Accounting for Town Clerk
- c. Approve Annual Accounting for Tax Collecting Officer
- d. Audit of 2025 Justice Court Records and Dockets
- e. Approve Purchase of a Variable Frequency Drive 50 HP Well Pump from Triple V Electric Inc.
- f. Establishment of a Combined Water and Sewer Repair Reserve Fund to Finance a Type of Equipment Repair or Replacement for Water and Sewer Infrastructure in Water and Sewer Improvement Areas 1 and 2.
- g. Resolution Calling on New York Governor Cathy Hochul to Declare an Energy State of Emergency Due to Escalating Electricity costs.

**7. OLD BUSINESS**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE BARTON TOWN BOARD

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO 3a-2026

STANDARD WORKDAY AND REPORTING  
RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, The New York State Retirement System created new reporting regulations in 2009 that require establishment of terms and work hours for elected and appointed officials and a resolution stating such at the onset of each term;

**NOW THEREFORE** upon a motion by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, and carried; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Town of Barton hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials, and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by the following officials to the Clerk of this body;

Name	Social Security Number	NYSLRS ID	Title	Current Term Begin & End Dates	Standard Work Day	Record of Activities Result	Not Submitted	Pay Frequency	Tier 1
<b>Elected Officials:</b>									
							<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
							<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
							<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Appointed Officials:</b>									
MELANIE SINSABAUGH	██████	R10603521	BOOKKEEPER	01/01/2026-12/31/2026	6.00	3.57	<input type="checkbox"/>	BIWEEKLY	<input type="checkbox"/>
CATHERINE KOZEMKO	██████	R13233994	ASSESSOR	10/01/2025-09/30/2031	7.00	9.09	<input type="checkbox"/>	BIWEEKLY	<input type="checkbox"/>
NANCY PERRY	██████	R10675975	COURT CLERK	01/01/2026-12/31/2026	6.00	2.53	<input type="checkbox"/>	BIWEEKLY	<input type="checkbox"/>

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ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO 3b-2026

APPROVE 2025 ANNUAL ACCOUNTING FOR  
TOWN CLERK

**WHEREAS**, Town Law Section 123 requires annual accounting and the submission of books and records by all town officers and employees to the town board; and

**WHEREAS** Supervisor Donald Foster performed a review of the Town Clerk's records on February 23, 2026, using Appendix D – General Recordkeeping Requirements for Town Clerks; and

**WHEREAS**, a copy of said findings to the checklist was given to each Town of Barton Board Member for review and approval; and

**NOW THEREFORE** upon a motion by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, and carried; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Town of Barton Town Board did hereby review and approve the aforementioned annual accounting requirements performed by Supervisor Donald Foster.

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ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO 3c-2026

APPROVE 2025 ANNUAL ACCOUNTING FOR  
TAX COLLECTING OFFICERS

**WHEREAS**, Town Law Section 123 requires annual accounting and the submission of books and records by all town officers and employees to the town board; and

**WHEREAS** Supervisor Donald Foster performed a review of the Tax Collector's records on February 23, 2026, using Appendix E – General Recordkeeping Requirements for Tax Collecting Officers; and

**WHEREAS**, a copy of said findings to the checklist was given to each Town of Barton Board Member for review and approval; and

**NOW THEREFORE** upon a motion by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, and carried; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Town of Barton Town Board did hereby review and approve the aforementioned annual accounting requirements performed by Supervisor Donald Foster.

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ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO 3d-2026

APPROVE AUDIT OF 2025 JUSTICE COURT  
RECORDS

**WHEREAS**, Bookkeeper Melanie Sinsabaugh performed a review of the Justice's records on \_\_\_\_\_ using Appendix 10 Annual Checklist; and

**WHEREAS**, a copy of said findings to the checklist was given to each Town of Barton Board Member for review and approval; and

**NOW THEREFORE** upon a motion by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, and carried; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Town of Barton Town Board did hereby review and approve the aforementioned audit of records performed by Melanie Sinsabaugh; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, a copy of said findings to the checklist and approved resolution be forwarded to the Town Justice.

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ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO 3e-2026

APPROVE PURCHASE OF A VARIABLE  
FREQUENCY DRIVE 50 HP WELL PUMP FROM  
TRIPLE V ELECTRIC, INC

**WHEREAS**, Pat Roney, Chief Plant Operator for the Village of Waverly Water Department has alerted the Town of Barton of the need to replace a Town of Barton well pump; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Barton procurement policy specifies that all estimated purchases of less than \$20,000 but greater than \$5,000 require a written request for proposal (R.F.P.) and written/faxed quotes from three vendors; and

**WHEREAS**, these quotes are as follows:

Aqua Logics Systems, Inc .....	\$9,883.00
Triple V Electric, Inc.....	\$8,000.00
Boulie Electric.....	(No quote by Deadline) \$0.00

And

**WHEREAS**, Triple V Electric, Inc has the lowest R.F.P.; and

**NOW THEREFORE** upon a motion by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, and carried; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that on this day, March 9, 2026, the Town Board of the Town of Barton, County of Tioga, State of New York, approves the purchase of a Variable Frequency Drive 50 HP well pump from Triple V Electric, Inc. for a total of \$8,000.00; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

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ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO 3f-2026

ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMBINED WATER AND  
SEWER REPAIR RESERVE FUND TO FINANCE A  
TYPE OF EQUIPMENT REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT  
FOR WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE IN  
WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENT AREAS 1  
AND 2

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Barton is charged with maintaining and repairing the Town of Barton Water and Sewer Improvement Areas; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Barton has in the past been presented with difficulty budgeting for the repair and replacement of water and sewer infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Barton would be greatly assisted in its long-term budgetary planning for the repair and replacement of water and sewer infrastructure within the Water and Sewer Improvement Areas 1 and 2 by establishing a combined water and sewer repair reserve fund to finance a type of equipment repair or replacement; and

**NOW THEREFORE** upon a motion by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, and carried; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that on this day, \_\_\_\_\_, the Town Board of the Town of Barton, County of Tioga, State of New York, pursuant to Section 6-D of the General Municipal Law, as amended, there is hereby established a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as the "Combined Water and Sewer Repair Reserve Fund" to finance a type of equipment repair or replacement for water and sewer infrastructure, (herein after called "Reserve Fund"). The purpose of this reserve fund is to accumulate moneys to finance the costs of a type of repair or replacement in the sewer and water improvement areas 1 and 2. The type of repair or replacement to be financed from the reserve fund is the combined water and sewer infrastructure. The Chief Fiscal Officer is hereby directed to deposit and secure the moneys of this reserve fund in the manner provided by Section 10 of the General Municipal Law. The Town of Barton Town Supervisor may invest the moneys in the reserve fund in the manner provided by Section 11 of the General Municipal Law, and consistent with the investment policy of the Town of Barton. Any interest earned or capital gains realized on the moneys so deposited or invested shall secure to and become part of the reserve fund. The Chief Fiscal Officer shall account for the reserve fund in a manner, which maintains a separate identity of the reserve fund and shows the amount of each sum paid into the fund, interest earned by the fund, the amount of each withdrawal from the fund, and the total assets of the fund; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, except as otherwise provided by law, expenditures from this reserve fund shall be made only for the purpose for which the reserve fund is established. No expenditures shall be made from this reserve fund without the approval of this Governing Board and such additional actions or proceedings as may be required by Section 6-D of the General Municipal Law or any other law including a permissive referendum if required, and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a reserve parent fund to hold the cash and accounting entries shall be located under the (F)-WATER FUND, and shall be titled "**WATER AND SEWER REPAIR RESERVE**"; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

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CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE BARTON TOWN BOARD

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ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO 3g-2026

A RESOLUTION CALLING ON NEW YORK  
GOVERNOR CATHY HOCHUL TO DECLARE AN  
"ENERGY STATE OF EMERGENCY" DUE TO  
ESCALATING ELECTRICITY COSTS

**WHEREAS**, New York State's utility costs are among the highest in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, New York State residents have been facing escalating electricity delivery charges, supply costs, and regulatory mandates for several months contributing to an all-time high and unsustainable electricity costs causing financial hardship for our residents, businesses, farmers, and manufacturers; and

**WHEREAS**, New York State's lack of electric generation is putting the electrical power grid under significant stress which will only continue without change; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 2, 2025, the Town Board of the Town of Barton adopted resolution #49 of the year 2025 in support of Congressman Nick Langworthy's Energy Choice Act (H.R. 3699) which safeguards households, small businesses, farmers, and manufacturers from harmful government overreach and preserves access to an "all-of-the-above" energy strategy that strengthens reliability and affordability and allowing consumer choice; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Barton's request to declare an "Energy State of Emergency" would allow immediate action to lower bills, place safeguards on utility bills to protect our consumers from extreme price spikes; initiate suspension of taxes, fees, and surcharges on energy bills; and expediate the construction of base load generation; and

**NOW THEREFORE** upon a motion by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, and carried; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that on this day, March 9, 2026, the Town Board of the Town of Barton, County of Tioga, State of New York, urges the New York Governor to declare an "Energy State of Emergency" to protect Town of Barton residents and all New York State ratepayers from extreme and unsustainable price spikes, promote stabilization of the power grid, and to promote affordable energy; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Governor Cathy Hochul, Senator Thomas F. O'Mara, Assemblyman Christopher S. Friend, and Roy M. Christian, Chair and Chief Executive Officer of the New York State Public Service Commission.