

**VILLAGE OF BARODA**  
**Council Minutes**  
**Baroda Municipal Building**  
**August 9, 2010**  
**6:30 p.m.**

Members Present: Claudia Brister, Bob Getz, Larry Nye, Ed Rath (arrived at 6:48 p.m.), Milt Sluder, Mona Stankiewicz, Treasurer Hemphill and Clerk Mensinger

Members Absent: Don Turney

Guests Present: Chuck Eckenstahler, Audra Johnson, Stacey Stubblefield, Greta Hurst, Joan Nye, Bubber Krone, Brian Bavido, Pastor Holder, John Harner, Mr. & Mrs. John Chavila, Elmer Rudlaff, Kathy Hoge and Doug Ott

Meeting called to order by Village President Bob Getz at 6:30 p.m. Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. Chuck Eckenstahler, Public Consulting Team

Mr. Eckenstahler stated that the Village has received the agreement from the MEDC and that we would begin construction yet this year. The first thing Council needs to do is to accept the grant and authorize the president to sign the agreement. Council can turn down this grant but would probably never receive another grant for many years. Mr. Eckenstahler suggested that we go with two motions – 1) to accept the grant, authorize the president to sign and to proceed with the streetscape and 2) to determine what type of parking will be included.

II. Audience Comments – none

III. Streetscape

A. Motion by Milt Sluder, seconded by Mona Stankiewicz to accept the DDA’s recommendation to proceed with the streetscape project and to authorize the Village President to sign the MEDC agreement.

	YES	NO	ABSENT
Claudia Brister	X		
Bob Getz	X		
Larry Nye	X		
Ed Rath			X
Milt Sluder	X		
Mona Stankiewicz	X		
Don Turney			X

Motion carried.

B. Council Comments

1. Larry Nye – Read a letter from Marty Nye (placed on file in minute book).
2. Claudia Brister – Expressed that she was pleased to see that the Council members

attended the DDA’s open meeting last week to learn more about the issues. There were some things that she agreed with and some that she didn’t agree with. She doesn’t think it is in our best interest to not have trees and benches and is sad because she would have liked to have had parallel parking, but would now like to continue with the angle parking. She asked that the business owners and residents realize the Council listened to their concerns.

3. Milt Sluder – Thanked everyone for coming tonight and that he respects their opinions and hoped that they will respect the Council’s opinions and decisions. He stated that he would like to see wider sidewalks. It was his opinion that he hated to give up any sidewalk space.
4. Bob Getz – He stated that he agreed with Milt, but that we have a lot of forward momentum going and does not want to hold things up. He also stated that he was disappointed that the engineers didn’t get a chance to set up the samples on the street at last Thursday’s meeting. He still believes that parallel parking would be best, but with that said he will accept angle parking.
5. Mona Stankiewicz – no comment.

C. Parking Issue

Motion by Larry Nye, seconded by Claudia Brister to approve the DDA’s recommendation to the Village Council to go ahead with the streetscape plan but do not change the parking and keep the angle parking.

	YES	NO	ABSENT
Claudia Brister	X		
Bob Getz	X		
Larry Nye	X		
Ed Rath			X
Milt Sluder		X	
Mona Stankiewicz	X		
Don Turney			X

Motion carried.

IV. Unfinished Business

A. Concrete Work

1. Drain work by Baroda City Mill – Bubber Krone explained that Elmer Rudlaff would like to install a drain along the whole length of his property. The Village has a 6” clay drain and that will not handle the extra run off. Mr. Krone suggested that the Village will need to do approximately 80 feet of 24” concrete lines so that the Mill could tie into ours. This will also require the Village to install another manhole.  
Council instructed Mr. Krone to get another local bid on the job and to report back to Council.
2. Sidewalks – Mr. Krone stated that it would cost more to have concrete delivered than the concrete itself and suggested we wait until we have more sidewalk to be repaired.

Trustee Rath arrived at 6:48 p.m.

3. Milt Sluder suggested to Mr. Krone that he get the repair work done in front of the post office at the same time.

V. Audience Comments

- A. John Chavila stated that he went to St. Joe and took pictures of their stamped sidewalks and that they are eroded and don't look nice anymore. He suggested that Council think about more than a pretty streetscape and more about what is going to be economical and sturdy.
- B. Joan Nye – Stated that she sincerely thanked council for their consideration and time.
- C. Bob Getz – Stated that he hoped everyone will still be friends because we all care about Baroda just in different ways.

Meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Recorded by:

Diane Mensinger  
Village Clerk