



# Village of Bangor

## Joint Review Board Minutes

August 4, 2022

Gary Althoff called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Those present were Gary Althoff- Village President, Jeri Wittmershaus-Village Administrator, David Brokoff- Bangor School District Superintendent, Dave Rasmussen- MSA, Brian Fukuda- La Crosse County Community Development Specialist, Dan Hesse, Sandy Johnson, John McCue, Mike Pfaff, Carolyn Hoeth- Deputy Clerk-Treasurer. Jill Grennan arrived shortly after the meeting began.

Motion to appoint Gary Althoff as Board Chairperson made by Brian Fukuda and seconded by Sandy Johnson. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to appoint Sandy Johnson as the Citizen member made by David Brokoff and seconded by Brian Fukuda. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Dave Rasmussen reviewed the Tax Incremental District (TID) annual reports with the Board:

TID #1 has a 27 year life expectancy, thru 2025, and an expenditure period thru 2030. The district has gone down in value since it was created, so it is not creating any tax increment at the present time. It had a fund deficit at the end of 2021.

TID #2 is a mixed use district, with the same life expectancy and expenditure period.

Dave stated that he is asking the Joint Review Board to extend the TID #1 by the three year Standard Extension and the three year Tech College Extension, for a total of six years. These are extensions allowed in the State Statutes.

Motion to approve Joint Review Board Resolution Approving Extension (Standard Extension) to Tax Incremental Finance District No.1 made by Brian Fukuda and seconded by Sandy Johnson. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to approve Joint Review Board Resolution Approving Extension (Technical College Extension) to Tax Incremental Finance District No. 1 made by Brian Fukuda and seconded by Sandy Johnson. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

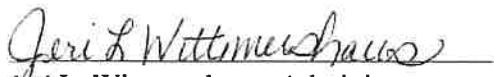
Dan Rasmussen explained that the Department of Revenue has contacted the Village. As a result of the TID lost value, it is eligible to reduce the base value from 2022 to 2021 amounts. The Joint Review Board reviewed the proposed amendment. The Plan Commission will also review this and make a recommendation to the Village Board. If the Village Board approves, The Joint Review Board will meet again.

Brian stated that he will soon be leaving his position, so will no longer be able to be part of this board. Gary thanked him for his excellent service to the Village. Gary also thanked Sandy for volunteering to be a part of this board.

Motion to adjourn made by David Brokoff and seconded by Brian Fukuda. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Minutes prepared by Carolyn Hoeth

Minutes reviewed by:

  
Jeri L. Wittmershaus, Administrator



# Village of Bangor

## Plan Commission Minutes

August 4, 2022

Gary Althoff called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Roll Call: Gary Althoff-present, Dan Hesse-present, John McCue-present, Mike Pfaff-present, Rod Plenge-present, Josh Reynolds-excused absence, Tammy Hansen-unexcused absence.

Others present: Jeri Wittmershaus-Administrator, Jill Grennan, Mike DeWall, Todd Brownell, Dave Rasmussen-MSA, Carolyn Hoeth-Deputy Clerk-Treasurer.

Jeri Wittmershaus attested to the posting of the agenda at three locations, as well as being published in the Monroe County Herald.

Dave Rasmussen gave an overview of the proposed amendment for the Commission. The Tax Incremental District (TID) No.1 has lost value in the last year. This resolution would allow the base value to be re-determined to last year's amount. It was suggested by the Department of Revenue. The Joint Review Board has met to review the annual reports, as well as, to approve the Standard and Tech College extensions of three years each. If this proposed resolution is passed by the Plan Commission and the Village Board, it will go back to the Joint Review Board at a later date.

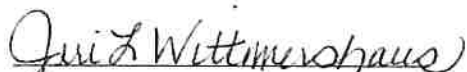
It was pointed out that there was an incorrect meeting date in the resolution. It should read the date of August 4, 2022.

Motion to approve Resolution 2022-06 Plan Commission resolution approving the amendment of Tax Incremental Finance District No.1, with the meeting date correction, made by Dan Hesse and seconded by Rod Plenge. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Dan Hesse and seconded by Rod Plenge. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Minutes prepared by Carolyn Hoeth

Minutes reviewed by:

  
Jeri L. Wittmershaus, Administrator

**Village President**  
Gary J. Althoff

**Village Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer**  
Jeri L. Wittmershaus

**Director of Public Works**  
Josh Reynolds

**Electric Utility Manager**  
Patrick Reilley

# Village of Bangor



**Trustees**  
Jeff Radtke  
John Mc Cue  
Jill Grennan  
Mike DeWall  
Todd Brownell  
Mike Pfaff

## Village and Utility Board Minutes

**August 4, 2022**

Gary Althoff called the meeting to order at 5:47 PM following the close of the Plan Commission meeting/public hearing.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Jill Grennan-present, Mike DeWall-present, Todd Brownell-present, Mike Pfaff-present, Gary Althoff-present, John McCue-present. Jeff Radtke-excused absence.

Others present: Jeri Wittmershaus-Administrator, Scott Alo-Police Chief, Carolyn Hoeth-Deputy Clerk-Treasurer. Arriving shortly after the start of the meeting: Angela Sagen -TRICOR Insurance, Pat Reilley-Electric Utility Manager, Ryan Walters -Augie's Bar & Grill.

Jeri Wittmershaus attested to the posting of the agenda at three locations, as well as being emailed to the Monroe County Herald.

Motion to approve the agenda made by Jill Grennan and seconded by Mike DeWall. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to approve the Village/Utility Board minutes of July 12, 2022 made by Mike Pfaff and seconded by Todd Brownell. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Resolution No. 2022-06 approving the amendment of Tax Incremental Financial District No. 1 was reviewed. The Plan Commission has approved this resolution unanimously. Motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-06 Approving the Amendment of Tax Incremental Financial District No. 1 as per the Plan Commission's recommendation made by Todd Brownell and seconded by Mike DeWall. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-07 Approving the Amendment of Tax Incremental Financial District No. 1 made by Mike Pfaff and seconded by Mike DeWall. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Scott Alo, Police Chief, presented the monthly Police Report. He stated that both of the officers are doing really well. He has received no complaints. Motion to approve the Police Report as presented made by John McCue and seconded by Jill Grennan. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Scott also stated that he would like to discuss the alcohol ordinance with the police committee in the near future.

Angela Sagen, TRICOR Insurance presented the health insurance renewal options to the Board. The current Quartz plan renewal would increase by 14%. Upon request from Jeri, Angela also presented an alternative plan with significant savings in premium costs at approximately \$36,000 annually. Deductibles would increase, however employees would not see any increase. The Village's potential liability could increase but historically the HRA has been very manageable for the Village. Jeri stated that this year as of July the HRA had paid out \$1,200.

Plans from other carriers were reviewed, but there would have been significant increases in premiums so were not seriously considered.

Motion to approve the proposed new Quartz plan made by John McCue and seconded by Jill Grennan. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Ryan Walters, of Augie's Bar & Grill, spoke regarding their Special Event Street Use Permit application. They are asking to shut down Commercial Street, between 16<sup>th</sup> Ave. and 17<sup>th</sup> Ave. on August 27<sup>th</sup> for a street dance. The stage and bag tournament will be in the parking lot. The area will be fenced, with the entrance being directly in front of the bar. Motion to approve a Special Event Permit for Augie's Bar & Grill Street Dance on August 27, 2022, made by Mike DeWall and seconded by Todd Brownell. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Operator License Applications were reviewed. Motion to approve Operator's Licenses for Trenton Bloomquist, Austin Swaney, and Alexia Bergh made by Mike DeWall and seconded by Mike Pfaff. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Public Works Director Josh Reynolds was not in attendance to speak regarding his monthly report. Jeri informed the Board that she had received a message from MSA stating that progress is being made with the railroad project. The pre-con meeting will be scheduled around the week of August 22, with the project completion to be by mid-October. Motion to approve the Public Works Report made by Mike Pfaff and seconded by Jill Grennan. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Pat Reilley, Electric Utility Manager, presented his monthly report. The temporary digger truck has arrived. There are two regulators down in the substation. He is investigating replacements. The school has been tied into the new feed from 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Later this month the three phase feed to Lincoln Street will be converted to single phase and tied into this same line. There have been some applications received for the open lineman position. Interviews will take place later this month. Motion to approve the Electric Utility Report made by Mike DeWall and seconded by Todd Brownell. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

The library service agreement renewal was reviewed. Jeri pointed out that the library phones will now be paid through La Crosse County. The meeting room procedures have been added to the agreement. After the Village Board approval, the agreement will move on to the county library board for approval. Motion to approve the renewal of the Library Services Agreement with La Crosse County made by John McCue and seconded by Mike DeWall. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Voucher list was presented. Additions were discussed. Motion to approve the voucher listing, with the additions, made by Mike Pfaff and seconded by Todd Brownell. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Jeri shared with the Board that Steve O'Malley, La Crosse County Administrator, is retiring.

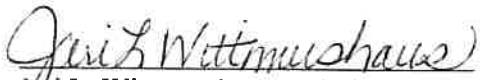
The Partisan Primary Election will be Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>. Polls are open 7:00 am until 8:00 pm, at the old high school gym.

The November General Election will also fall on a normal Board meeting night. The board meeting will need to be moved.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 pm made by Todd Brownell and seconded by Mike DeWall. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Minutes prepared by Carolyn Hoeth

Minutes reviewed by:

  
Jeri L. Wittmershaus, Administrator