



VILLAGE OF BARTLETT BOARD MINUTES JANUARY 6, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Gunsteen, called the regular meeting of January 6, 2026, of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bartlett to order on the above date at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustees Battermann, Deyne, Gandsey, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski, and President Gunsteen

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Village Administrator Paula Schumacher, Assistant Village Administrator Scott Skrycki, Finance Director Matt Coulter, Director of Public Works Dan Dinges, Assistant Public Works Director Tyler Isham, Civil Engineer Nick Talarico, Public Works Intern Sam Moran, Management Analyst Jacob Uhlmann, Planning & Development Director Kristy Stone, IT Director, John Peebles, Head Golf Professional Phil Lenz, Police Chief Ryan Conway, Deputy Chief Will Naydenoff, Deputy Chief Rob Sweeney, Village Attorney Kurt Asprooth, and Deputy Village Clerk Samuel Hughes.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. TOWN HALL

Matt and Mike BHP SA, 233 N. Chase Ave.

Mr. Mike Hogan was present on behalf of Bartlett Little League to discuss the utility issues going on with the Ruzicka field lease. He stated they are looking for some clarification on how to resolve this issue. Mr. Hogan provided a timeline of when they were last here to speak in November and were put in contact with the Raider's president in December. He stated that President Peter was empathetic but was unaware of the current financial structure or size along with the ongoing utility debt. He went on to say that in order to move forward they have mutually agreed to go back to zero and create a thorough and transparent breakdown of utility costs. Mr. Hogan stated that a detailed breakdown was provided to the Raider's with no response or payment. His calls and follow up calls were not returned. He stated that Bartlett Little League has made every reasonable effort to resolve this situation and has continued to pay the utility bills that are not theirs under the agreement, which is not sustainable for a volunteer run youth organization. He respectfully requested immediate village intervention to bring a resolution so that expectation and responsibility enforcements are clear. President Gunsteen stated that we would get something scheduled with both parties as well as the park district to get some general oversight. Trustee Gandsey asked to be kept in the loop as well regarding a meeting and resolution.

5. CONSENT AGENDA



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President Gunsteen 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 Battermann stated that he would like to add items D. 1, An Ordinance Amending Title 3, Chapter 3 of the Bartlett Municipal Code Regarding the Number of Class C Liquor Licenses to the Consent Agenda.

President Gunsteen 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 Amend the 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 LaPorte.

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

AYES: Trustees Battermann, Deyne, Gandsey, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION CARRIED

Trustee Deyne moved to Approve the Amended Consent Agenda and that motion was seconded by Trustee LaPorte.

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

AYES: Trustees Battermann, Deyne, Gandsey, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski
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



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9. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Chief Conway presented a lifesaving award to Mr. Anthony Mazzone, Officer Angelique Herrera, and Officer Brithany Garcia. Chief Conway stated that on October 16, 2025, officers were dispatched to Bartlett Hills for a report of a subject and cardiac arrest. He stated that it was later learned that it was a village employee who had collapsed while performing maintenance on one of the grounds in the Greens. Chief Conway went on to say that Mr. Mazzone immediately called emergency services and began performing CPR; stating that his actions in those critical first moments were absolutely vital in saving that individual's life. Officer Herrera was the first police officer to arrive on scene and after confirming the individual was in cardiac arrest, she immediately took over chest compressions while remaining calm and composed. Chief Conway stated that Officer Herrera provided directions to Mr. Mazzone while preparing the AED, upon the arrival of Officer Garcia. Officer Garcia seamlessly joined the effort taking over compressions until paramedics arrived. Chief Conway then presented each of them with a Life Savings Award.

10. QUESTION/ANSWER: PRESIDENT & TRUSTEES

Trustee Deyne wanted to recognize staff on their anniversaries as well as birthdays.

Trustee Hopkins wanted to address the issue brought up at Town Hall regarding Ruzicka Field stating that while he knows this isn't really a village issue and the two parties need to work this out, he is concerned regarding the upkeep of the field. He stated that he thinks it might be best to discuss terminating the lease and starting over. He went on to say that if this is not resolved before the next board meeting, he does think we should discuss terminating the lease due to a lack of maintaining it. President Gunsteen stated that they would work on scheduling a meeting and then move forward from there.

11. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. BUILDING & ZONING COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN HOPKINS

Trustee Hopkins stated that there was no report.

B. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN GANDSEY

Trustee Gandsey stated that there was no report.

C. FINANCE COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN LAPORTE



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Trustee LaPorte stated that there was no report.

D. LICENSE & ORDINANCE COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN BATTERMANN

Trustee Battermann stated that Ordinance 2026-01, An Ordinance Amending Title 3, Chapter 3 of the Bartlett Municipal Code Regarding the Number of Class C Liquor Licenses was covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.

E. POLICE & HEALTH COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN SUWANSKI

Trustee Suwanski stated that there was no report.

F. PUBLIC WORKS AND GOLF COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN DEYNE

Trustee Deyne stated that Ordinance 2026-02, An Ordinance Accepting the Public Improvements for the Graham Trucking Facility was covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.

13. NEW BUSINESS – None

14. QUESTION/ANSWER PRESIDENT & TRUSTEES – None

15. ADJOURNMENT

President Gunsteen stated the meeting will adjourn. There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Deyne moved to adjourn the meeting, that motion was seconded by Trustee Suwanski.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO ADJOURN

AYES: Trustees Battermann, Deyne, Gandsey, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Jackie Cardoza
Executive Assistant