

To be approved at the next Barre City Council Meeting

**Special Meeting of the Barre City Council -Draft
Held June 23th, 2026, at 430pm
Council Chambers-Barre City Hall**

Call to Order – 4:30PM

2. Adjustments to and Approval of the Agenda

Executive session at the end – collective bargaining

Motion to approve the 06/23/2026 agenda was moved by Councilor Deering, and seconded by Councilor Spaulding, approved.

2-a. Executive session – real estate (Joining-Manager Nicolas Storrellicastro, Planning & Zoning Director Janet Shatney, Josh Jerome, Pat Moulton, Council members

Motion for finding for executive session moved by Councilor Bergeron, Seconded by Councilor Spaulding, approved

Motion to enter executive session moved by Councilor Spaulding, Seconded by Councilor Bergeron, approved

Motion to exit executive session moved by Councilor Spaulding, Seconded by Councilor Gustin, approved

3. Visitors & Communications –6:10 PM

Poa Mutino came to the table to promote the added dates for the Pancakes for the People event. The original event served approximately 35 people.

Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes

i. Meeting of 6/16/26

B. Clerk's Office Licenses & Permits – Pancakes for the People

C. Approve purchase option for infill development of Merchant/Cleary St lots

D. Authorize the Manager to execute contract(s)

• Annual Supply Bid: Various vendors and various costs based on a competitive bid for the Department of Public Works annual supplies.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda for 06/23/2026 was moved by Councilor Deering, seconded by Councilor Spaulding, approved.

4-a. Approve City Warrants

- i. Approve week of 6/24//26 -payroll only

Motion to approve city warrants moved by Councilor Spaulding, seconded by Councilor Bergeron– approved.

City Clerk & Treasurer Report –

The ballots for the Aug Primary were mailed out on Monday, June 22nd. 397 voters should be receiving their absentee ballots they requested. The full packet contains (3) ballots, (one for each party) a certificate envelope, an unvoted ballot envelope and a return envelope.

For this election you will receive (3) ballots in your packet, one for each political party. You are to vote only one ballot and return the other (2) unmarked.

Please follow **the directions** that the Secretary of States office has put on the **Certified Envelope** to help you navigate on how to return your voted ballot and the (2) unvoted ballots in separate designated envelopes and then for all to be placed in the return envelope.

Liquor/Cannabis Boards-

Ladder 1- 1st Class

The Elks Lodge - 1st class, 3rd Class and tobacco

The Quarry - 3rd class & OCP

Sarky's BBQ (in the old Foxy's building) 1st class, 3rd class and OCP

Motion to approve Liquor/Cannabis licensures moved by Councilor Bergeron, seconded by Councilor Spaulding, approved

Managers' Report-

- Recreation Dept still has some opening for some of the camps this summer
- Pool is still on schedule to open June 26th from 1230pm to 7pm with a Dive In movie to end the night.
- The Assessors will be sending the final mailing this week.
- DPW will continue the repairs and upgrades for streets and infrastructure sign up for ReGroup to stay in the loop for street closures or detours.
- The AFSME contract has been agreed by all negotiating parties

New Business;

- A. Flood Resiliency Plan update - Hydrology model briefing (Gustin/SLR)

Roy & Alex from SLR present a 2D model depicting the water levels during large storms and how bridges, and analysis of how redesigning the bridges, would affect or alter the water levels and pathways.

B. 143 N Main St campaign financial report (BADC)

Steve MacKenzie, Carl Rinker and Josh Jerome shared a final report on the successful step by step process of the purchase of the property. The campaign had some remaining funds of \$16,932.03, which were donated to the City.

C. Approve gap financing plan for DPW garage project

The Manager Nicolas Storellicastro and DPW Director Brian Baker outlined the past and current funding for the purchase and remodeling of the new Department of Public Works campus. Coming to the table to ask for funding to close the funding gap. Suggesting using the Cozzi Trust funding or another avenue the Council may suggest. The project has experienced delays due to an appeal by an abutter, and general costs of construction.

Resident Bern Rose asked for clarification on funding.

The motion to Approve gap financing plan for DPW garage project was moved by Councilor Gustin, and seconded by Councilor Spaulding, approved.

D. Select Prospect Heights developer

Two developer proposals from DEW Properties and Elliotte LLC were received in response to an RFP to build the homes as part of the Prospect Heights project. As part of the City's CDBG-DR award, will choose the developer for the housing project. The teams presented proposals during an executive session earlier in the evening and based on those presentations the City chose to use DEW Properties, noting the history and experience with past projects gave the Council the confidence to make this decision.

The motion to approve the selection of the Prospect Heights developer was moved by Councilor Bergeron, seconded by Councilor Deering, approved.

Up Coming

Mayor Lauzon – North End Updates

Councilor Spaulding- Create a place card for past items left unaddressed for the new manager.

Round Table

Mayor Lauzon- Have a happy safe Independence Day

Councilor Gustin- 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence.

Councilor Hilgartner – Ward 1 Garden Tour-Sunday, June 28th 12-3pm with refreshments following.

Councilor Spaulding- Thankful for the faithful attendees to the Council meetings, and the Council as well.

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Executive Session- Collective Bargaining – personnel - Entered 8:10pm

Motion for finding for executive session moved by Councilor Gustin, Seconded by Councilor Hilgartner , approved.

Motion to enter executive session moved by Councilor Bergeron, Seconded by Councilor Gustin, approved

Motion to exit executive session moved by Councilor Spaulding, Seconded by Councilor Bergeron, approved.

*Motion to adjourn was made by Councilor Gustin , seconded by Councilor Hilgartner, approved.
Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm*

Next regular meeting is scheduled for July 14th, 2026, at 6pm.

The open portions of the meeting were recorded on the video platform.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Metivier, City Clerk