

**TOWN OF GLOVER**  
**Special Selectboard Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, February 12, 2026 – Glover Public Library**

Present: Anne Eldridge, Adam Heuslein, Jack Sumberg, Nick Ecker-Racz and Cindy Epinette.  
Zoom: Participation was available but at some point crashed during the meeting.

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:07pm.
2. **Additions or deletions to the agenda:** none
3. **Public Comment:** none
4. **Sewer Discussion:**
  - a. **Review/Debrief Barton Village Inc Informational Meeting (2/10/26):** Barton Village Inc (BVI) is scheduled to have a bond vote on February 12, 2026 to fund capital improvements and expansion of their sewer system, as mandated by the State. They have calculated the cost to be \$10,870,000.00. They are expecting to receive a loan from the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) for 50% of the expenses. The loan is scheduled for 30 years at a 3.125% interest rate. They may be eligible for 75% funding from USDA. They are in the process of searching for grant funding to offset the expenses as well. If the bond passes, they expect Glover to contribute 15% of these costs over the next 30 years. The improvements/expansion are expected to begin in 2026 with the loan payments beginning in 2029. BVI indicated Glover does not own a portion of the sewer plant, they believe the agreement between BVI and Glover is a landlord/renter type agreement. Aldrich & Elliott are available to work with BVI and Glover to develop a new agreement. It was noted BVI indicated they have spoken to Monaghan & Safar to represent Barton in any wastewater issues that may arise.
  - b. Introduction of Sewer Commissioners – Share their thoughts/concerns/input: Jack Sumberg and Nick Ecker-Racz accepted the position as Sewer Commissioners, along with Adam Heuslein.
  - c. Review how calculations are made by Barton Village: The flows, formulas and expenses were reviewed for the last eight years. There is concern about where some numbers came from, which expense figures are included and why the method of calculating the amount Glover owed was changed three times.
  - d. Review proposed attorney, Create a List of Questions: BVI indicated they have been speaking with the law firm Monaghan & Safar regarding legal issues related to the sewer treatment plant. The Selectboard are concerned about this situation because Monaghan & Safar represent Glover in another legal matter. Adam approached attorney Jim Barlow to see if he was interested/available to counsel Glover in legal matters. Mr Barlow indicated he did not have any conflict of interest situations that would exclude him from representing Glover.
  - e. Draft Letter to Users with an Update on what is happening: Adam would like to inform the Glover sewer users of the status regarding the improvements to the Barton sewer system and how it affects them. No date has been set. Nick was asked to draft a letter to a Glover sewer user, reminding them of repairs/maintenance the town is responsible for versus the homeowner, on behalf of the Sewer Commissioners.
  - f. Set meeting date to meet with Barton Village to discuss questions/concerns: The Board requested Jack draft a letter to BVI, requesting clarification on their calculations and a better understanding of what expenses should be included in those calculations. The Board agreed that Anne could sign the letter when completed.

5. **Executive Session:** Anne made a motion, seconded by Adam, to enter executive session at 2:47pm to discuss a contract/legal matter, per VSA 1 §313 (a)(f).
6. **Executive Session was concluded at 2:57 pm. Adam made a motion, seconded by Anne, to hire Jim Barlow to represent Glover in matters concerning Glover versus Barton Village, Inc, and other matters where legal counsel is needed. The motion carried.**
7. **Adjourn:** Anne made a motion, seconded by Adam to adjourn the meeting at 2:58pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Cynthia Epinette  
Transcriber

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Anne Eldridge, Chair

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Justin Mason

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Adam Heuslein

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