

Bennington City Council  
Regular Meeting  
07/23/2018

Meeting was brought to order at 7:00 P.M. with a motion by Trudi Rathbun, seconded by David Galvan. Motion Carried.

Additions were Executive Session for non-elected personnel and Black Hills Energy.

Motion by David Galvan, seconded by Dennis Kelley to approve bills as printed and minutes with corrections of changing the spelling of Rodriquez to Rodriguez in second paragraph, changing pick-up to city truck in paragraph 13 and adding that David Galvan was a Nay when voting for chip sealing the alley behind the city office in paragraph 15.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Ward Stockamp, David Galvan, Darcy Smith, Trudi Rathbun, Dennis Kelley, and Adrienne Luthi. There were no visitors.

Violations were discussed. Council was updated on Brian and Kendra Pratt hanging door hangers and putting violation stickers on many cars in town. 27 cars were removed from the city with this round of stickers according to Brian Pratt.

Aaron Martin is in the process of preparing an ordinance to repeal the ordinance we have with the EMS. It will be ready for the August 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. Speaking with Brandon Cochran about this is tabled until the August 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Motion by Dennis Kelley seconded by Darcy Smith to accept the CVA propane pre-buy contract for \$3989.30 for 2870 gallons.

Motion by David Galvan seconded by Dennis Kelley to pass ordinance #403 making the biannual tax for a liquor license \$200.00 Motion Carried. Trudi Rathbun voted Nay.

An executive session to discuss non-elected personnel from 7:40 P.M. to 7:50 P.M. was called with a motion by David Galvan, seconded by Trudi Rathbun. Motion Carried. Motion by Dennis Kelley, seconded by David Galvan to come out of executive session at 7:50 P.M. Motion Carried. Motion by Dennis Kelley, seconded by David Galvan to go back into executive session at 7:50 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. Motion Carried. Motion by Dennis Kelley, seconded by David Galvan to come out of executive session at 8:00 P.M. No Action Taken.

Motion by David Galvan, seconded by Trudi Rathbun to raise Dustin Murk's hourly wage from \$16.50 to \$18.00 per hour and to leave his health benefit at \$600.00 per month, and to raise Adrienne Luthi's hourly wage from \$14.50 per hour to \$15.50 per hour and increase her health benefit from \$300.00 per month to \$600.00 per month. Motion Carried.

Black Hills Energy, a natural gas company sent a folder expressing interest in speaking with the council about the possibility of bringing natural gas to Bennington. Adrienne Luthi will invite a representative to come and speak to the council at the next meeting on August 13, 2018.

Motion by Darcy Smith, seconded by Trudi Rathbun to adjourn meeting at 8:25 P.M. Motion Carried.