

Bennington City Council  
Budget Hearing  
Regular Meeting  
August 13, 2018

The budget hearing was brought to order at 7:00 P.M. with a motion by Trudi Rathbun, second by David Galvan. Motion Carried. Motion by Judith Swagerty, second by Trudi Rathbun to approve the 2019 budget as presented to the council in July 2018. Motion Carried. Motion by Darcy Smith, second by Judith Swagerty to adjourn the budget hearing at 7:03 P.M. Motion Carried.

Motion by Trudi Rathbun, second by David Galvan to bring the regular meeting to order at 7:03 P.M. Motion Carried.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Ward Stockamp, David Galvan, Darcy Smith, Judith Swagerty, Trudi Rathbun, Dennis Kelley, City clerk, Adrienne Luthi, visitors David Swetson (left at 7:50 P.M.) and Joe Terick (left at 7:34 P.M.)

Additions to the agenda were Citicode Ordinance # 404, Betty Davis, Evaluations, Brian Davidson, NCKRPC Nuisance Abatement, Applications for Compliance Officer, Alleys, Pool Painting, Ambulance Bay Purchase.

Motion by David Galvan, second by Trudi Rathbun to approve the bills as printed and the minutes with the correction of adding Judith Swagerty as being absent at the meeting. Motion Carried.

Joe Terick with Black Hills Energy gave a short presentation on Natural Gas. Joe will be doing some research to see if it would be feasible to bring it to the City of Bennington.

There are no new violations. Council was updated on a vehicle removed from the city the week before, and on several building, permits being worked on by Brian Pratt.

Motion by David Galvan, second by Dennis Kelley to adopt ordinance #405 repealing chapter one article 10 effective October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 at noon. Motion Carried.

Alleys were discussed. No action taken.

Ambulance bay payment was discussed. Council would like to pay off the balance. Judith Swagerty and David Swetson will discuss this with the fire board and will report back to council how they would like it handled.

Betty Davis's absence in September and October was discussed. There is no problem with it.

Judith Swagerty asked to be updated on the evaluations done at the July 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting because she was absent.

Council asked if Brian Davidson had ever turned in his survey. Adrienne Luthi will find the paperwork and will forward it to the council via email.

North Central Regional Planning Commission nuisance abatement grants were discussed. Adrienne Luthi will invite them to come to a meeting to discuss this.

The Bennington Rec Commission was discussed. Judith Swagerty is meeting with surrounding towns to discuss options with them.

Ward Stockamp discussed that the pool needed some painting and spots fixed that have been wearing away. Council has no problem with this work being taken care of to insure the pool is kept in good shape.

Street work was discussed. Adrienne Luthi will ask Dustin Murk to check with several asphalt companies about their charges to cover streets with asphalt.

Motion by David Galvan, second by Darcy Smith to adjourn meeting at 8:35 p.m. Motion Carried.