

Bennington City Council
Regular Meeting
September 24, 2018

Meeting was brought to order at 7:00 P.M. with a motion by David Galvan, second by Dennis Kelley. Motion Carried.

Additions to the Agenda were Dumpsters, Renting Rodeo Arena, Rec Commission, Welcome to Bennington Booklet, Siren Problem, elected officials meeting, Alleys, Misc. Maintenance.

Motion by David Galvan, second by Trudi Rathbun to approve the printed list of bills and minutes with the correction of adding Dennis Kelley as present, and Trudi Rathbun as absent at the September 10th, 2018 meeting. Motion Carried.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Ward Stockamp, David Galvan, Judith Swagerty, Trudi Rathbun, Dennis Kelley, and city clerk Adrienne Luthi. Darcy Smith was absent. Visitors were Janet Beemer (left at 7:09 P.M.) and Judy Alexander (left at 7:25 P.M.)

Violations were discussed: Many building permits, Brian wrote up another car at Todd Burt property.

Motion by Judith Swagerty, second by David Galvan to pay off the Ambulance Bay out of the general fund for a total of \$19,833.33. Motion Carried. Adrienne will get a check ready and Janet Beemer or Brandon Cochran will pick up the check on September 25th, 2018.

Judy Alexander brought concerns to the council regarding her sidewalk being driven on by motor cycles and barking dogs. Her concerns were addressed by the council.

Motion by Trudi Rathbun, second by Judith Swagerty to approve paying Rocking M Media a total of \$1500.00 for one month of radio spots on several stations to try and generate interest on the 10 lots available in North View Addition. Motion Carried.

Dumpsters will be located at the city shop from Friday, September 28th to Saturday, October 8th for free dump days.

Judith Swagerty announced the elected officials meeting would be held in Bennington on the 24th of October at 7:00 P.M. Judith Swagerty is going to reserve the Senior Center because the fire station has meetings there the same day. Adrienne Luthi will get refreshments and have them at the meeting place.

Twin Valley franchise fees were discussed. Aaron Martin is still waiting on an answer from Twin Valley. This is tabled until the next meeting.

The corner of k18 and Nelson was discussed. Michelle Johnson and the 4-H club are willing to do some of the work. Dustin Murk will get bids from Adam Soukup, Bob Davis and Brian Levendofsky. The tree in

the middle needs to be left there, but everything else needs to be concrete. Adrienne Luthi will discuss the ideas that were presented with Dustin Murk.

Motion by David Galvan, second by Trudi Rathbun to approve the Bennington High School homecoming parade on Wednesday, September 26th. Dustin Murk will block off the appropriate streets along the parade route as normal. Motion Carried.

Motion by Trudi Rathbun, seconded by Dennis Kelley to waive the \$50.00 per day fee to rent the rodeo arena on November 17th from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. for the 4-H group led by Dea Malmburg because they will need no water or lights and are a non-profit group. If anyone decides to have a festival, or any other activity at the arena including the grassy area, the \$50.00 a day fee will still apply. Motion Carried.

The Rec Commission was discussed. Motion was made by Judith Swagerty, second by David Galvan to appoint Candi Gwenapp to the Rec Vacancy. Motion Carried.

Alleys were discussed. Dustin Murk is spraying the weeds in the alley ways.

Ward Stockamp updated the council on all maintenance Dustin Murk is working on regarding the Well house. The council agreed Dustin should buy a door and supplies he needs to finish the job. Motion by Judith Swagerty, second by Trudi Rathbun to approve buying 5 bundles of shingles Dustin Murk paid \$17.00 a bundle for and had left over from his personal roof at a discounted price of \$10.00 a bundle to re-roof the well house and to purchase any other supplies needed to finish the job. Motion carried.

Dustin Murk asked the council if the city would take sealed bids on the old brush hog sitting in front of the city shop. Council agreed this can be put in the city newsletter. Adrienne will discuss with Dustin.

Motion by David Galvan, seconded by Trudi Rathbun to adjourn meeting at 8:16 P.M. Motion Carried.