

Bennington City Council
Regular Meeting
November 12, 2018

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

Addition to the agenda was Phil Aumick

Motion by David Galvan, second by Dennis Kelley to approve payment of the printed list of bills and the minutes as written. Motion Carried.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Ward Stockamp, David Galvan, Judith Swagerty, Trudi Rathbun, Dennis Kelley. City treasurer Betty Davis was also present. Darcy Smith was absent.

There were no visitors, Phil Aumick did not come to the meeting.

Violations were discussed, Ward Stockamp advised the council he has spoken to Kendra and Brian Pratt about the new code.

The town hall meeting being held on Wednesday the 14th of November was discussed. Sandwich boards will be put in the street on Tuesday and Wednesday to remind everyone of the meeting.

Motion by David Galvan, seconded by Dennis Kelly to approve the real estate agreement for the free North View addition lots prepared by Aaron Martin with one correction on the front page, first paragraph- "with" with be changed to "within". Motion Carried.

The Free lots in the North View addition were discussed. The City of Bennington will pay Scheibler's fee to take care of transferring the title to the new owner after the contract is signed, and all permits are approved.

The Brush Hog was discussed. There were no sealed bids received as a result of the ad in the November Newsletter. Council wants it listed on a buy-sell-trade site for \$300.00.

The regularly scheduled council meeting at 7:00 P.M. on December 24th, 2018 has been moved to December 26th 2018 at 7:00 P.M. Council decided the office can be closed on December 24th and are aware that Adrienne Luthi is taking her floating holiday on December 26th. Betty Davis is not available to work that day.

Motion by Trudi Rathbun, second by Dennis Kelley to approve the purchase of eight loads of rock for maintaining the alleys. Motion Carried.

There was discussion on whether to spend \$300.00 to fix the old salt spreader for winter or to purchase a new one for \$2000.00. It was decided that Dustin Murk can get the old one repaired for \$300.00.

Dustin Murk sent information to the council about a slurry seal instead of chip seal for the streets. Council said they would re-visit this in the spring.

The generator in the ambulance bay was discussed. It is a 5-kilowatt generator on a trailer and Adrienne will put it in the next newsletter for

The brush hog was discussed. No sealed bids were turned in. Adrienne Luthi will list it on a buy sell trade site for \$300.00.

Twin valley franchise fees were discussed. Motion by David Galvan, second by Trudi Rathbun to ask Aaron Martin to prepare a franchise agreement with the same rates as Eagle Communications which is the state standard 5%.

Council discussed that not all the franchise agreements are in the city code book. Larry Kleeman will be contacted to get them in. The twin valley agreement is the only one in the book. Eagle Communications, Nex-tech wireless and Westar Energy all need to be added.

Motion by David Galvan, seconded by Trudi Rathbun to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 P.M. Motion Carried.