

Bennington City Council

Regular Meeting

December 26, 2018

The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 p.m. with a motion by David Galvan, seconded by Dennis Kelley. Motion carried. David Galvan, Dennis Kelley, Mayor Ward Stockamp and Judith Swagerty were present. Trudi Rathbun and Darcy Smith were absent.

Additions to the agenda: Accept resignation, curbside leaf vacuum, Alley Committee and transfers.

Motion by Dennis Kelley, seconded by David Galvan, to approve the printed list of bills and December 10, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes with these corrections: Jaxson Kidd, not Cole Casper was present; Brian Levendofsky left at 7:28 p.m.; paragraph beginning with "Ward Stockamp discussed the audit... 2nd sentence "insured" should be "assured"; add " Brian asked about the area east of the old fire station. Discussion followed."; CMB vote was 4-1, Trudi Rathbun voted no; 1st vote on Christmas bonuses, Motion carried 4-1".

Violations – none presented. Dennis mentioned the trailers on the SE corner of Lincoln/Washington Streets. Water heater door is off on one of them. David mentioned the Rodriguez house, looks like work is being done on it. Ward will ask Code Enforcement to check on the trailers.

Lynn Sickler is living in an RV in the Scheibler building at the SW corner of Bennington/Struble Streets. The meter will be moved outside the building. Discussed how best to address this situation. Application for a Special Use Permit may be the best way to take care of it.

Westside Ventures applications for Cereal Malt Beverage (CMB) licenses for consumption on premises and in unopened containers to carry out were discussed. Motion by Judith Swagerty, seconded by Dennis Kelley, to approve Cereal Malt Beverage (CMB) licenses for consumption on premises and in unopened containers to carry out. Motion carried.

Motion by David Galvan, seconded by Judith Swagerty, to accept Dan Johnson's resignation from the Bennington Recreation Commission effective December 26, 2018. Motion carried.

Curbside Collector Vacuum Wagon was discussed. Will ask Dustin to look for leaf vacuums that are self-propelled.

Alley Committee – David asked about cutting the alley maintenance fee in half. Discussion. Alley Committee is to meet and discuss this and report back at the January 14, 2019 Regular Meeting.

Motion by Judith Swagerty, seconded by Dennis Kelley, to approve End of Year transfers of \$30,000.00 from General Fund to Capital Improvements Reserve Fund and \$30,000.00 from General Fund to Capital Equipment Reserve Fund. Motion carried.

Discussed salaries and overtime of City Employees.

Motion by David Galvan, seconded by Dennis Kelley, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.