

Bennington City Council
Regular Meeting
June 28, 2021

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: Chicken Permit (Trish Mack), Limb Pile, Blocking Burlington between Parker and Lincoln Streets, Executive session.

Motion by David Galvan, second by Brian Davidson to approve printed list of bills and the minutes as written. Motion Carried.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Ward Stockamp, David Galvan, Brian Davidson, Judith Swagerty and Dennis Kelley. Cord Gwennap was absent. Adrienne Luthi was also present. Visitors were Laura Bowers, Chris Rose, Debra Scheibler (left at 7:25), Clinton Katt (arrived at 7:13).

Chris Rose passed out the results of a survey he created to find out some community interests and opinions regarding the Recreation department. Chris discussed many possibilities and ideas for the Recreation Department in the future. Chris would also like someone hired to work part time help with Recreation events and other things that need to be done. Council told Chris to look for someone he thought would be a good fit for the Rec Department. Chris asked if he needed to physically be at every event put on by the Rec Department. There was a motion by Judith Swagerty, second by Brian Davidson that the Rec Director does not have to be physically present at all events. Motion Carried.

The spray park was discussed. Ward Stockamp is still gathering more information.

The sand filter Mandy Gantenbein needs for the pool was discussed. Motion by David Galvan, second by Brian Davidson to approve purchase of the sand filter for the pool. Motion Carried.

Debra and Michael Scheibler's property located at 113 E. Bennington was discussed. Debra Scheibler brought her tax statement for the property and accepted the City's offer of \$2500.00 to purchase the property from her. Motion by Brian Davidson, second by David Galvan to pay Debra Scheibler \$2500.00 to purchase the house and building at 113 E. Bennington Street. Motion Carried.

Robert and Lynne Hagmeiers property at 108 N. Stark was tabled until the next meeting.

NO Parking signs for the alley behind the city office were discussed. There are several people parking in or partially in the alley and are causing some issues for vehicles needing to use the alley to service businesses along it. Motion by Judith Swagerty, second by Dennis Kelley to purchase four signs for the ends and middle of the alley behind the city office. Motion Carried.

Trish Mack's chicken permit was discussed. Council wants permission from several more people than Trish had listed. Tabled until next meeting.

Brian Davidson asked the council for approval to block Burlington Street between Lincoln and Parker from Noon to 10:00 p.m. on the Fourth of July for a block party. Motion by David Galvan, second by Judith Swagerty to allow Burlington street between Lincoln and Parker to be closed from Noon until 10:00 p.m. on the Fourth of July. Motion Carried. Brian Davidson abstained.

Mayor Ward Stockamp appointed Clinton Katt to fill the vacant seat of Cord Gwennap effective July 1st. Motion by David Galvan, second by Judith Swagerty to accept Ward Stockamp's appointment. Motion Carried.

Motion by Brian Davidson, second by David Galvan to go into executive session from 8:17 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. to discuss legal matters. Motion Carried.

Motion by Dennis Kelley, second by David Galvan to come out of executive session at 8:30 p.m. Motion Carried. No Action Taken.

Motion by David Galvan, second by Dennis Kelley to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. Motion Carried.