

Bennington City Council
Regular Minutes
01/10/2022

Meeting was brought to order at 7:00 PM with a motion from Brian Davidson, second by Dennis Kelley. Motion Carried.

Additions to the agenda were Housing, CMB Question, Northview addition, Software license, City Attorney.

Motion by Judith Swagerty, second by Laura Bowers to approve the printed list of bills and the minutes as written. Motion carried.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Ward Stockamp, Judith Swagerty, Brian Davidson, Laura Bowers, and Dennis Kelley. Adrienne Luthi was also present. David Galvan was absent. Visitors included Dustin Murk and Chris Rose.

Chris Rose updated the council on the basketball games coming up for the Rec. It will be on January 22nd, it is one day, 14 games and they are using 2 gyms. The rec is in need of volunteers to keep score, ref games etc.. 4-h is handling the concessions. Chris is reaching out all over to try and find enough help.

Chris is also going to be eventually stepping down as Rec Director. He is not giving a firm date at this time and will help find a replacement.

2022 appointments were discussed. Motion by Judith Swagerty, second by Dennis Kelley to approve all listed appointments with the change of John Earl filling the unexpired term of Steve Williams and not including Aaron Martin as city attorney at this time. Motion Carried.

2022 Resolutions were discussed. Motion by Dennis Kelley, second by Laura Bowers to approve Resolutions 2022-1, 2022-2, 2022-3, and 2022-4. Motion Carried.

Motion by Judith Swagerty, second by Dennis Kelley, to approve as signers for 2022, Adrienne Guillory-Luthi, Ward Stockamp, David Galvan, Amy Stevens and Betty Davis. Motion Carried. Betty Davis will be removed when she quits on March 1st.

Laura Bowers discussed wanting the zoning board to be more available to monitor the new home builds going on around town. There was discussion about finding anyone interested in even being on the zoning board. We are still having trouble finding a fifth person to serve. Phil Windhorst will be contacted and asked if he would be interested in coming to a meeting and discussing with the council the possibility of taking over as zoning administrator.

Dustin Murk discussed the bids for a new grapple bucket with the council. John Deere's bid was for \$4250.00 and Kan-equip was \$3828.80. Motion by Brian Davidson, second by Dennis Kelley to approve purchase of a grapple bucket from Kan-equip for \$3,828.80. Motion Carried.

A new generator for the lift station was discussed. Motion by Laura Bowers, second by Brian Davidson to approve purchase of a generator for \$34,000 from Caterpillar to be installed by Precision Electric. Motion Carried.

Motion by Dennis Kelley, second by Judith Swagerty to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m. Motion Carried.