

Bennington City Council
Regular Minutes
February 14, 2022

The Bennington City Council meeting held on February 14, 2022 was brought to order at 7:00 p.m. with a motion by David Galvan, seconded by Dennis Kelley. Motion carried.

Mayor Ward Stockamp; Council Members Laura Bowers, Brian Davidson (arrived at 7:02 p.m.), David Galvan, Dennis Kelley, Judith Swagerty and Rec Commission Director Chris Rose were present.

Additions to the Agenda: Contractor's Licenses.

Motion by David Galvan, seconded by Laura Bowers, to approve the January 24, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented and payment of the printed list of bills. Motion carried.

Recreation Director Chris Rose informed the council that there have been no applications for the Director's position. Discussion. Motion by Judith Swagerty, seconded by Laura Bowers, to run one ad each in the Minneapolis Messenger and the Salina Journal. Motion carried. \$5.00 per ad is the cost to boost an item on Facebook. What do we want to do regarding soccer? Ward stated that if Chris continues to do things to keep moving forward, people probably won't step up. Chris will advertise that if we don't have a director, we won't have soccer. Chris will also talk with Dalton McDowell to see if he would be interested in the position. (Dalton is either a junior or senior this year). Chris will talk with school staff also.

Mayor Stockamp stated that Dustin has been cleaning up the tree burn site. He also reported that Amy is getting up to speed on the Treasurer's position. Betty is anxious to retire. (Betty tested positive for Covid today).

Need to replace the computer in Betty's office. Sun computer with Windows 10, Office 2019 for \$434.00. Monitor would be \$128.00. Consumer class computer versus Business class computer. Adrienne's computer backs itself up each time you save. Discussion. Motion by David Galvan, seconded by Dennis Kelley, to purchase the computer and monitor. Motion carried.

South Central Sealing (from Wichita KS) proposal for 2022 street sealing is \$48,849.05 (16,559 sq yds @ \$2,95 per sq yd). Lincoln – Watters to Bennington, Princeton – Nelson to Putnam, Washington – Parker to Stark, Lexington – Lincoln to Putnam. Motion by David Galvan, seconded by Dennis Kelley, to approve the proposal for 2022 Street Sealing. Motion carried.

Generator – need a bid for the generator pad. 20' x 12' slab, 6" thick. Tabled to next meeting.

The website needs to be updated. Still shows Darcy Smith on council and has the 2021 Contractor's licenses. Updates need to be sent to the company that maintains the website.

David suggested waiving the fee for a Contractor's license for those that live in Bennington.

Chris asked about the spray park. It will be inside the pool area. The equipment has been ordered.

Brian reported that the recently demolished house owned by Robert & Lynn Hagmeier had a well. Had some floor drains also. Still a lot of work to do to complete the demolition.

Brian also reported that there is a fuel barrel in the alley behind the School District office or the Lions Club building.

Motion by David Galvan, seconded by Brian Davidson, to adjourn. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:39 p.m.