

Bennington City Council
Regular Meeting
12/26/2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with a motion by Dennis Kelley, second by Brian Davidson. Motion Carried.

Additions to the agenda were recycling center, mapping, building renovation update, water meters, and year end transfers.

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

Present at the meeting were Mayor Ward Stockamp, Brian Davidson, Jeff Scheele, Judith Swagerty, Laura Bowers, and Dennis Kelley. Amy Stevens was also present. The visitors were Mark Walker and Shayne Haney.

Jeff Scheele updated the council on city violations. No action taken.

The water tower sandblasting and painting was discussed. Motion by Laura Bowers, second by Dennis Kelley to approve the contract from Maguire for \$99,400.00 to start as soon as possible in the spring. Tony will be called to send examples of what the work will look like as well as the price and pictures of the bulldog if the city were to decide to add it. Motion carried.

End of year transfers were discussed. Motion by Judith Swagerty, second by Jeff Scheele to transfer \$30,000 from the general fund to the Capital improvement fund and \$10,000 from the general fund to the Capital Equipment Reserve Fund. Motion Carried. Ward would like Adrienne to look over the 2023 budget and talk to Anita about whether we will have the budget authority to do this after all the bills are paid for 2023. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Rock for alleys and roads were discussed. Motion by Laura Bowers, second by Brian Davidson to approve purchase of 6 loads of rock in the spring from Bill Berry Trucking. Motion Carried.

Motion by Dennis Kelley, second by Brian Davidson to approve the 2024 CMB licenses for Westside Ventures for on and off the premises sales. Motion Carried.

Motion by Dennis Kelley, second by Brian Davidson to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Motion Carried.