

Bennington City Council
Regular Meeting
October 13th, 2025

The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 p.m. with a motion by Dennis Kelley, second by Jeff Scheele. Motion Carried.

Additions to the agenda were: RR Crossing, Water Project

Motion by Jeff Scheele, second by Dennis Kelley 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, Don Weiland, Dustin Murk and Dennis Kelley. Adrianne Luthi and Mark Walker were also present. There were no visitors.

Mark Walker discussed the operation report with the council. The council discussed closing the recycle center due to lack of interest in the community, no volunteers and the fact that it is getting very difficult to get some items hauled away leaving the city to do it as well as not accepting so many different items. It was also discussed that there is a recycle center in Salina that people could take their recycling to if they choose to.

The trash service was discussed. The city pays MRS exactly what each customer pays every month, leaving nothing in the trash fund to account for people who have left the city without paying, who are behind on their bills but have agreements to pay, and for the over \$6000.00 a year it costs to have dump days in the spring and fall. Motion was made by Dustin Murk, second by Brian Davidson to raise the monthly trash charge \$1.00 per month per customer to bump up the trash fund to help cover expenses. Motion carried.

The Performance Services contract for the water project was discussed. No motion was made, but the council all agreed that if Aaron Martin finds the contract terms are acceptable, and if the City gets adequate funding that works into our budget limitations, we will use Performance Services for the project.

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