

Town of Benson

Regular Minutes

May 13, 2015

Minutes

Meeting Opened @ 6:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Supervisor Phil Snyder
Councilmen John Shepard, John Stortecky, Doug Gregor
Deputy Hwy. Supt. George Blowers

Public Present: Donna Blowers, Peg Schutze, Beth Junquera

Public Input: Peg inquired if Sign could be put in before Memorial Day

Response by Phil that he would try to make it so

Discussion ensued about installation of Sign - 811 will be called

Peg wanted to discuss Webber/Benson Lawsuit

Phil responded that while it is in litigation, it can not be discussed

Peg said that she felt the lawsuit is an expense that Benson as a small town does not need and she would like to see a compromise made.

Motion to accept Minutes as written for the April 8, 2015 made by J. Shepard, 2nd by J. Stortecky

Vote: J. Shepard – Aye J. Stortecky – Aye D. Gregor – Aye P. Snyder – Aye

Motion Carried

Motion to accept Minutes as written for the April 27, 2015 Special Meeting made by J. Shepard, 2nd by J. Stortecky

Vote: J. Shepard – Aye J. Stortecky – Aye D. Gregor – Aye P. Snyder – Aye

Motion Carried

Reports from Standing/Special Committees:

Buildings and grounds

Phil made a motion for J. Shepard to look into the purchase of an On-Demand Hot Water Heater
2nd by J. Stortecky

Vote: J. Shepard – Aye J. Stortecky – Aye D. Gregor – Aye P. Snyder – Aye

Motion Carried

Town Clerk reported cost of Gun Safes as an alternative for storage of records for the Town. Safes were considered too expensive . A room design will be discussed.

Highway Committee

Mr. Shepard made a motion for the deputy Hwy. Supt. To get a quote from Broadalbin Manufacturing on repairs to 1993 sand and plow truck. 2nd J. Stortecky

Vote: J. Shepard – Aye J. Stortecky – Aye D. Gregor – Aye Phil Snyder – Aye

Motion Carried

Mr. Gregor reported winter earnings of Hwy. Dept. from County for work done.

George Blowers was requested to check on paperwork plus warranty on new 2014 Truck

Legal Committee

Cemetery Committee

Board Business OLD

Phil stated that Sink, Faucets, and Mirror have been purchased to make bathroom more handicap accessible.

Auditor is auditing past Justice Close's books.

Phil will call Kathy of BTI to ask about their progress.

Board Business NEW

Res. # 54-15 "Burials" passed

Res. # 55-15 "Welcome Sign" passed

Board Business : Any other business to come before the Board

A Pine tree came down and took electrical service off building – Nat'l. Grid did the repairs

Board discussed the possibility of moving the Shed to the Town Garage property or repairing the shed

Public Input:

Peg asked if Hwy. Dept. could be diligent about clearing away debris on road after a tree has fallen

Hwy. Dept. responded that they would

Audit of Claims:

Gen. Receivables - \$273.39 Gen. Payables - \$6,483.16

Hwy. Receivables - \$11710.58 Hwy. Payables - \$837.99

Motion to approve the abstracts made by J. Stortecky, 2nd by D. Gregor

Vote: J. Shepard – Aye J. Stortecky – Aye D. Gregor – Aye P. Snyder – Aye

Motion Carried

Town Board Input

Mr. Gregor requested that asphalt be repaired at the corner of Benson and River Roads

Motion to adjourn @7:23PM made by D. Gregor, 2nd by J. Shepard

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Cox, Town Clerk

May 19, 2015