

Town of Benson

Regular Meeting

Minutes

Sept. 9, 2015

Meeting Opened at 6:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Supervisor Philip C. Snyder  
Councilmen: John Shepard III  
John Stortecky  
Doug Gregor

Public Present: Donna Blowers, Cheryl Gregor, Beth Junquera, Dick Barlow

Public Input: None

Motion to accept minutes as written for August 12, 2015

Moved: D. Gregor 2<sup>nd</sup> J. Stortecky

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

Motion carried

Reports from Standing/Special Committees:

Building and Grounds

Highway Committee

The town of Benson Hwy. Dept. did not tag the trees at #183 River Rd. and it is not their responsibility to Remove them.

Work on bridge has begun (east of Town Hall on Cty. Hwy. 6)

Legal Committee

Cemetery Committee

A cemetery lot was sold to Mrs. Jane Washburn along with one set of markers

A request was made by Phil to help raise markers on cemetery plots

Town Business: OLD

Phil doing electrical work on underground cable – will hopefully be finished by next month

New paper towel holder purchased and installed in bathroom

Town Business: NEW

Phil made motion to have a mailbox at the Town Hall for mail delivery as opposed to paying the cost of a post office box. Motion seconded by J. Shepard

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

Motion carried.

Mr. Gregor volunteered to pick up a mailbox and post. Town to keep #2213 Benson Rd. address. RMO was given the go ahead to purchase boxes for old records out of the Town Clerk Contractuals (25/\$46.00).

Acknowledgement of donations received by Food Pantry

A letter was read from Mr. Casey complaining about a dog issue with his neighbor. The Board agreed to pass the letter on to the Animal Control Officer for further action. A motion was made to this effect by J. Shepard III, seconded by J. Stortecky

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

Motion carried.

Ladies of Benson were given permission to plant perimeter of east side of Town Hall in the Spring of 2016. A motion was made to this effect by J. Stortecky, seconded by Phil Snyder

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

Motion carried.

Doug Gregor would like to see the companion Shared Services Agreement for Benson with the Town of Hope. He would like to see better adherence to the documentation of shared services as stated in the Shared Services Agreement. He would like to see records kept for what each municipality is doing in the way of shared services with Benson such as a memorandum kept for instances of all work done. Keep a log of hours, equipment, and operator. Mr. George Blowers stated that at this time all is done on a handshake. Mr. Gregor asked per Shared Services agreement that those records be brought to the Board in June and Dec. of each year.

A review of all the discussion of Shared Services to take place at Oct. 2015 meeting.

To confirm shared services the state may require work shown in written documentation.

Resolution #56-15 regarding the treatment of Japanese Knotweed was passed (see resolution #56-15)

Board Business: Any other business that is brought up before the Board

Audit of Claims:	Receivables	\$1352.75	Payables	\$3915.80
General Fund		\$ 189.46		\$1661.92
Highway Fund		\$1163.29		\$2253.88

Motion to approve the abstracts by J. Shepard, seconded by D. Gregor

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

Motion carried.

Public Input: Beth Junquera noted a thank you for the lines painted along Benson Rd.; also for the flowers planted at the flag pole.

Board Input: Phil will update his web page to include attorney for the town, and the temporary Justice Phil requested that officials bring budgetary requests to the Oct. meeting

Hwy. crew did some metal reinforcing on salt box of truck to attempt getting another years use of it.

John Stortecky read a piece on flag etiquette for informational purposes.

Motion to adjourn @ 7:39 moved by Phil Snyder, seconded by D. Gregor

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Cox - Sept. 13, 2015

