

Village of Old Bennington  
Trustees Meeting Minutes  
October 4, 2022

Meeting was held at The Barn & Zoom

Officials Present: Trustees Jim Warren, Steven Anisman, Susan Wright, Anne Slattery, Clerk Jan Buonanno Treasurer Kathy Wagenknecht

Citizens present: Nancy Caseo, Reney Ponvert, Jim Thatch, Megan Schwarzcopf, Jill Jones

1. Opening: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

2. Minutes: There was no change to the September minutes. SA moved to approve the minutes from the September meeting. SW seconded. The Trustees unanimously approved the motion.

3. Guest Speaker – James Thatch, Bennington 250th

- Committee to start meeting at Bennington Museum monthly & quarterly (first one October 20) for 250th event
- Proposing monthly report at trustees meeting
- Get involved- get enthusiastic
- Committee open to public- contact Jim Thatch or Jonah Spivak

4. Citizen Comments

- MS - zoning hasn't been updated on website since June
  - 57 Monument lights obstruction driving vision- SW will talk to them
  - Vegetation in swales (was roundup applied by Pembroke this year?)
  - Did we pay for the stripes grinding?
  - Over-salting on the sidewalk- hurts trees & pets
  - Weeds in monument circle road
  - Supports cameras on Monument Circle

6. Reports of Commissioners and Officers

a. Road Commissioner: waiting for final report from MSK on Bank and Fairview.

Meeting coming up with Jerome to talk plow pricing.

b. Tree Commissioner: 43 West Rd- dead trees

c. Parks and Sidewalks Commissioner: memorial donation money for Ann Jensen

d. Police Commissioner:

- 0 hours, 0 property watches, 0 traffic tickets, \$0 in potential fines. (no officer)
- Meeting with Chief Doucette upcoming about MOU
- Vehicle- title acquired, car on way to sheriffs dept

e. Treasurer: taxes coming in

f. Acting Administrative officer:

- Walloomsac Inn- few areas of repair & replacement in kind, getting estimates (no permits yet)

- Meeting next week- byways relating to solar on agenda
- New zoning board member- Dave Crowley
- Administrative Officer- planning commission proposed candidate- experience in zoning, code enforcement. SA moves to support the planning board's candidate decision at 40\$ per hour pay rate and purchase a printer/scanner for up to \$280 for use by the administrative officer. . JW seconds. Trustees unanimously approve the motion.

7. Warrants: SA moved to approve the warrant list. JW seconded. The trustees unanimously approved the motion.

8. Old Business: Jonah SPivak needs a letter of support- SA makes a motion to give our support to the camera placement by the state. SW seconds. Trustees unanimously approve the motion.

9. New Business: None

10. Adjournment: SA makes a motion to adjourn, JW seconds. The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 pm.