

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF BENZONIA
1276 MICHIGAN AVENUE
BENZONIA, MI 49616
MONDAY, November 5, 2018

PRESENT:

PRESIDENT: Flynn
COUNCIL: Heyn, Misner, Rankin, Bair, French, Scholten
CLERK: Nye
TREASURER: Flynn
SUPERINTENDENT: Boman
ASST SUPERINTENDENT: Marshall
ZONING ADMIN: Excused
VISITORS: Bill Kennis, Cynthia Herrera, Wakako Wynkoop
ABSENT: Coury Carland – Excused

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Benzonia Village Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Flynn.

ATTENDENCE TAKEN BY CLERK

BILL KENNIS – BENZIE BUS: Distributes and reviews 2018 Annual Report.

VISITORS:

Cynthia Herrera, village resident, received blight violation notice; states that the antennae that was on the roof is now down and in the yard and there are no raccoons in the house. Further, she does not agree the house is blighted and that it is a seasonal residence. Lengthy unresolved discussion. Established that there is no water, electricity or gas service to the home. Ms. Herrera is reminded that the Council needs to move forward with the Regular Meeting; non-cooperative attitude noted. Ms. Herrera continues to address matter of a ‘tarpred porch’ in a disruptive manner. Trustee Misner shows Ms. Herrera the door.

Clerk directed to contact Health Department and the Fire Department for remedy and determination if residence is habitable.

MINUTES:

Regular Meeting Minutes October 2018. **Rankin moves, supported by Heyn, to approve the October 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. Ayes – All. Nays – None. Motion Carried.**

North Street Line Meeting Notes 10.25.2018. **French moves, supported by Misner, to approve the North Street Line Meeting Notes 10.25.2018 as presented. Ayes – All. Nays – None. Motion Carried.**

Tim Flynn/Dan Smith Meeting Notes. The Village of Beulah has filed a Summons and Complaint regarding the North Street Line; we have three weeks to respond.

CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE:

- CLCBA Annual Membership Dues. Discussion. Take no action at this time.
- Received 2018/19 Maintenance Agreement from Benzie County Road Commission.
- Received AT&T Metro Act Right of Way Extension
- Benzie County Parks and Recreation Commission asking if the Village of Benzonia would like to be a part of their master plan. Discussion. Yes, the village would like to be included.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

BILLS LIST:

French moves, supported by Scholten, to approve payment of bills for the month of November in the amount of \$32,612.58. Ayes – Heyn, Misner, Rankin, French, Bair, Scholten, Flynn. Nays – None. Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Heyn moves, supported by Rankin, to accept the Treasurer's Report through November 5, 2018, as presented. Ayes – All. Nays – None. Motion Carried.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

- Got new tires on 2005 truck
- Flushed water lines
- Worked on trees in town
- Closed parks
- Fixed some washouts
- Need a pole saw
- Got big truck back, put new blade on
- Got winter sand in

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Big water test coming up Wednesday in Gaylord.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Three Blight Letters sent Certified Mail:
 - 7440 River Street - Returned
 - 1416 Michigan Ave - Received
 - 1141 Michigan Ave – Returned

Discussion. Clerk directed to contact Health Department and Fire Department for options to remedy blight situations. Trustee French reports that he has talked with Bob Weisbrodt and he will be taking steps in the future to address his blighted property.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Summit Company has taken over Northern Fire & Safety. Fee for annual fire extinguisher check increased from 67.00 to 380.00 with change of company name. Clerk will investigate; permitted to hire alternative company with more reasonable rates if necessary.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE: No Report.

STREETS: No Report.

PARKS: Parks are closed.

WATER: Discussed.

EQUIPMENT: No Report.

PLANNING COMMISSION & ZONING:

Last Citizen Planner class is this Wednesday.

OTHER BUSINESS: None.

**Rankin moves, supported by Misner, to adjourn meeting at 7:27 p.m. Ayes –All.
Nays – None. Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Rhonda Nye
Village Clerk

Minutes Drafted: November 12th, 2018

Approved: December 3rd, 2018