

The regular meeting of the Benton Village Board was called to order by Village President, Gary McCrea, at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Benton Business Incubator Building at 244 Ridge Avenue on Wednesday, July 20, 2016, with the following members present: Gary McCrea, Chuck Wartner, Cal Robbins, Rose Walton, Jim Sysko and Jessica Polfer. Absent: Terry Sheffer Village employees present: Beverly Hitz and Jim Goffinet Others Present: Joe and Haylee Lukaszewski ,Terry Farrey and Deputy Mike Gorham. In compliance with the open meeting law, proper notice of the meeting had been posted in four public places; the Zephyr Depot, Benton State Bank, Benton Post Office, and the Benton Business Incubator Building.

Motion (Sysko,Wartner) to approve minutes from the regular village board held on June 15, 2016 as presented. Roll-all ayes. Carried

*Motion (Sysko,Robbins) to approve the sale of **Lot #13 in Roling Oaks Subdivision for \$5,000 to Joe and Haylee Lukaszewski 335 Creek Drive** with the stipulation that our Attorney will review and confirm that combining into one lot will comply with the current covenants for Roling Oaks Subdivision. Roll-all ayes. Carried*

Motion (Robbins,Polfer) to approve a reimbursement of \$427.50 to Terry Farrey. This payment is ½ of the cost of roto root, jetting and camera for sewer problems March 7 & 14, 2016. Roll-all ayes. Carried

Gary introduced Deputy Mike Gorham. Mike will be the Village of Benton Deputy starting Tuesday, July 26th. Gary will meet with Mike to cover scheduling and duties in Benton.

Jim Goffinet reported that Eric Mowry had looked at the trees in the village that are hanging over the road. He has a list of 66 trees that need to be trimmed. Bev Hitz will send letters to the owners. The trees at Stan Steinhoff's and Gray's need to be taken down. Kyle Majerus last day is Friday 7/22. Dave Kane will mow 2 days a week and Jonessa Haas will water the flowers in the evenings. They will start working on the Swift Park lights on Monday 7/25. The village work will be done the following week and there will be 7, 70 foot light poles available. The concrete work is complete at the Village Park, next they will be cleaning things up and laying sod. The new LD lights are in at the tennis court and the crack filling and sealing will be done soon.

Jim Sysko requested that the 2 telephone poles by the museum and the old post office be cut flush with the ground. Jim had also received a complaint of noise at Swift Park after curfew.

Gary informed the board that **the no passing zone on the hill going west out of town at the intersection of white street and highway 11 will be put back in per Reg Gill.**

Bev Hitz reported that the new software was causing issues and had been very time consuming to date. Problems between the meter reading company and Civic Systems have taken many hours on the phone. She also stated that the annual electronics pick up will be Wednesday, August 17th. Jim Goffinet asked if Bev would call the school and let them know we will bring a trailer for them to load their electronics on since they will have a large amount this year.

Motion (Walton,Sysko) to approve Bev Hitz request to attend the Wisconsin Municipal Clerks Association Conference in Appleton August 17 thru August 19, 2016.

Roll-all ayes. Carried

The claims against the Village were presented for payment. *Motion (Wartner,Walton) to pay the claims against the Village. Roll-all ayes. Carried.*

Motion (Polfer,Robbins) to adjourn. Voice-all ayes. Carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m. Voice-all Ayes. Carried