

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, October 18, 2017, with the following members present: Gary McCrea, Kenneth Farrey, Jill Knight, Jessica Polfer, Cal Robbins and Terry Sheffer. Absent: Chuck Wartner Village employees present: Beverly Hitz and Ryan Carver Others present: Calvin Boldenbuck from Congressman Mark Pocan's Office, Ryan Kern and Stephanie Brink. 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 (Sheffer, Farrey) to approve minutes from the regular village board meeting held on September 20, 2017 as presented. Voice-all ayes. Carried

Calvin Boldenbuck presented an overview of current topics such as Health Care and Tax Reform. He also mentioned that a town hall meeting would be held in Reedsburg on October 19, 2017. Gary asked him to confirm that Pocan had received the letter regarding phosphorous levels from The League of Wisconsin Municipalities.

Ryan Kern presented his request to purchase lots 16 & 17 in Roling Oaks Heights Subdivision where he will build a new home of at least 3600 square feet. After much discussion the following motion was presented: ***Motion (Polfer, Knight) to approve the sale of 2 lots to the same party for one single family residence as long as it is at least 3600 square feet of living space (living space as defined in the Roling Oaks Heights Subdivision recorded covenants)***
Roll- Farrey (no) Knight (Yes) Polfer (Yes) Sheffer (Yes) Robbins (No) McCrea (Yes)
Motion Carried.

Ryan Carver informed the board that the roof covering our water reservoir, at the old water tower, has caved in. The roof was put on in 1956 and supported with tile tubes. He said an insurance adjuster would be here on Friday at 11 a.m. He has contacted Town and Country Engineering to help decide what we should do to insure quality water at the best price. He also mentioned the payment would be **due in 2018** if the phosphorous rules still apply at that time.

Motion (Sheffer, Robbins) to approve an alcohol beverage retail (liquor license) application: Class "B" and Class "B" liquor license for new owner Heather Morrisard, Bend in the River (Formerly known as GG's Tap) Beginning November 1, 2017 through May 31st, 2018.
Roll-all ayes. Carried.

Jessica Polfer presented the possibility of getting interns to help the Village Staff. She was at a meeting recently that had many ideas for employment.

The claims against the Village were presented for payment.

Motion (Polfer, Robbins) to pay the claims against the Village. Roll-all ayes. Carried.

Motion (Farrey, Polfer) to adjourn. Voice-all ayes. Carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.