

November 7th, 2022

Village of Benson Board of Trustees Meeting.

Called to order by Mayor Chris Mullins

Roll Call-Morgan Koehler and Nate Waldschmidt absent

Julie Wolf made motion to approve minutes, seconded by Jeremiah Samuelson.

Chris has been in contact with Amigoni Construction about work that needs to be done in town. Hopefully will get to us in the next 2-3 weeks. Chris and Mike Amigoni are going to discuss prioritizing the jobs. One of the first jobs will be to find Richard Burmood's shutoff to his house.

Pork Chop dinner for the 150th will be held on Saturday November 12th from 4pm-8pm at the legion. Karen Mullins will unveil/and start selling the Flag and T-shirts for the 150th that evening.

Chris has not talked directly to Jake Shippert and Joey Murphy in regards to snow plowing this winter, but has heard indirectly that they are both interested in plowing again. Chris will contact them directly.

Brian Wolf has checked and fixed any Christmas bulbs for the light poles. Halloween party and Trick & Treat went well this year. Had a lot of kids.

Discussed the Christmas Parade and Sing. It will be held on December 10th. Parade at 3:30pm and Sing following parade at 4:00pm.

Neil Heineke will contact John Heineke about the horses and wagon for Santa Clause. Morgan Koehler will contact the person for Santa Clause. Julie Wolf will contact Hayden Gerdes about music for sing, Julie will also look into costumes for Mayor Chris Mullins and his wife Karen, and Julie will pick up candy for parade/and bags for the sing. Dan Small will ask Flanagan State bank about donating Hershey Bars. Josh Brown will be in charge of ordering the apples and oranges for the candy bags. Roger Nenne will contact St. Paul Lutheran Church pastor for the sing. Board members will contact Legion

about the date and use of building. Will also contact Jr. Women's Club about supplying Hot Chocolate and the Legion about supplying Donuts for the event.

We had an IDES audit and according to Section 233 of the UI ACT we cannot have an employee who is also a contractor that we hire and pay (Brian Wolf).

Discussed the Village buying its own riding lawn mower and not hiring an outside contractor anymore. We have plenty of summer help from kids to mow. Also any of the Board members, clerk or treasurer can mow.

The dumpster fees will go up and will show on the 4th quarter water bills.

Monday December 5th at 6:00pm a caucus will be held to vote in 4 people for seats on the Board. We have Julie Wolf (4yrs), Nate Waldschmidt (4yrs), Neil Heineke (4yrs), and Josh Brown (2yrs), only if they want to run again.

Neil Heineke made motion to adjourn meeting, seconded by Roger Nenne.