

October 16th, 2023

Village of Benson Board of Trustees Meeting.

Called to order by Mayor Chris Mullins

Roll Call- Jeremiah Samuelson and Morgan Koehler absent

Neil Heineke made motion to approve minutes, seconded by Josh Brown.

Neil Heineke made motion to approve bills, seconded by Josh Brown.

Nate Waldschmidt made motion to approve treasurer report, seconded by Roger Nenne.

Spray patching of the streets has been completed.

Lock on front door of Village Hall has been fixed. Baxter Security is getting us a quote to have the doors handicap accessible to open.

No pricing on getting gravel put in alley by Mitchell Galloway, Chris left message for Amigoni Construction and has not heard back.

The 150<sup>th</sup> bank account has been closed out. Our Auditor suggested that it should be under the Village umbrella and EIN#.

The Board made a motion (Josh Brown made a motion and Neil Heineke seconded the motion) to establish a checking account to be called ***THE VILLAGE OF BENSON COMMUNITY PARK FUND.***

The sole purpose of the account will be to conduct business activities in conjunction with and for the *Village of Benson Community Park.*

The owner of this account will be the Village of Benson. EIN# 30-0484099.

The account will be established as a two person signature required authorization checking account.

Authorized signers will be Julie Quiram, Neil Heineke (Board Trustee), and Morgan Koehler (Village Treasurer).

Morgan Koehler will also be granted oversight authority to view and bank online, which as is consistent with her authority as the duty appointed Village Treasurer with all of the Village Accounts.

All members present voted yes to the motion.

The Board was informed that the Village Lawyer Tom Jansen will be retiring at the end of this year 2023.

Chris has reached out to Law office of Stoller in El Paso IL. They are not receiving any new clients. They did give us some names to look into. Chris will follow up with this. Also Tom Jansen gave us a referral. This will be looked into.

We discussed the vandalism that happened at the park on Saturday Oct 14<sup>th</sup> at around (the boys were there 3 times shown on the camera) 5:15, 5:30 and 6:45. We do have 1 name and both faces of the boys responsible. The Board agreed to pursue this with the Police.

Both Men's and Women's bathroom paper towel holders were destroyed. This brought up a discussion on getting the surveillance cameras upgraded at the park and also getting cameras at the shed.

Josh Brown made motion to adjourn meeting, seconded by Neil Heineke