

***Town of Bentonia
Meeting
January 6, 2026***

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Kim Martin. The following members were present: Steve Pigg, Robert Demus, Colby Parks and Greg Shaffer. Absent: Tamara Boatner.

Graham Helton addressed the mayor and board of alderman concerning the tiny house subdivision Joe Shivers wants to develop. Mr. Helton stated that he was not affiliated with Mr. Shiver and that he was her to on behalf of Yazoo County Economic Development to make Yazoo better.

Ivan Holder addressed the mayor and board of alderman with information on the town's sewage related to the tiny house subdivision and the need for a site plan to further determine what costs would be associated with the town. He explained what would need to occur to accommodate sewer for the tiny houses. The town would be required to hire an engineer and get a site plan developed and bill Shivers for the cost. Colby Parks made motion, seconded by Robert Demus, Steve Pigg requested a cost Analysis before moving forward.

The mayor expressed concern over the development and stated she would rather have brick and mortar subdivision for Bentonia's growth.

Paul Johnson addressed the mayor and board of alderman requesting permission to hold an antique car cruise in every month March through October which will include having vendors. Robert Demus stated that event insurance would be needed. Motion was made by Colby Parks and seconded by Robert Demus. Motion passed with all in favor.

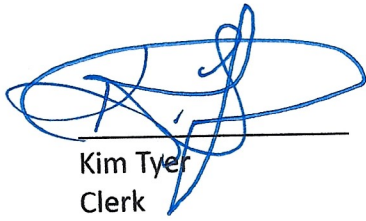
The mayor expressed concern over the pitch ins and scavengers. People are throwing limbs, mattresses and other trash on the ground. The mayor stated that we need better signs to possibly prevent this from occurring. The need for cameras to monitor activity at the pitch ins was discussed with no action being taken at this time.

A discussion was held concerning street lights and the need to add a pole at the end of East Railroad Ave. Motion was made by Colby Parks, seconded by Greg Shaffer, motion passed with all in favor. The mayor stated that she would mark the poles that needed bulbs replaced.

Motion was made by Colby Parks to accept the minutes and bills seconded by Greg Shaffer, motion passed with all in favor.

The mayor asked if there was any other business that needed to be discussed.

Motion to adjourn was made by Colby Parks, seconded by Greg Shaffer, motion passed with all in favor.



Kim Tyer
Clerk

Kim Puckett Martin
Mayor