

TOWN OF BENTONIA
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

July 11, 2023

The regular meeting of the mayor and alderman Town of Bentonina was called to order at 6:00 PM by mayor Clint Lancaster. The following members were present: Steve Pigg, Colby Parks and Robert Demus. Absent: Greg Shaffer and Kim Martin.

Caleb with McMaster and Associates addressed the mayor and board about a grant agreement with MDEA. The funds will be used for a redundant tie in with central Yazoo. Motion made by Colby Parks, seconded by Robert Demus. Motion passed with all in favor.

Jason Bright, BVFD Chief, addressed the mayor and board of alderman concerning the 1997 International fire truck that was discussed last month. The mayor stated his concern on whether the truck will pass inspection. The other issue is we have no place to house a unit that big. Jason Bright stated he and others are looking for a place to house it if the town decides to purchase. Tabled until more information can be obtained. Colby Parks asked if the fire department had match funds or if they had asked the county to contribute.

Tabled on a vote from Colby Parks and seconded by Steve Pigg, Robert Demus abstained from voting.

Deanna Pellison addressed the mayor and board of alderman with the necessary paper work required to move a trailer inside the city limits on Rosenberg. The mayor stated the trailer does not meet the age requirements required to satisfy the ordinance. He also stated that she was missing the survey and explained that the state department also has a 50 ft easement. Deandria asked if she could move a food trailer on the lot. The mayor stated she would need a privilege license.

Doug Kirkland, Chief of Police, addressed the mayor and board of alderman concerning a vehicle for the chief of police to take home. He is also the investigator and has to come out to investigate and also gets calls afterhours but he doesn't have a vehicle to respond in.

Motion was made by Colby Parks, seconded by Steve Pigg, Robert Demus abstained from voting.

The mayor gave a brief overview of what is available for police vehicles. 2023 Ford Explorer interceptor is running \$50,427.00 plus tax, title and license. Tabled pending more information.

Carolynn Hicks addressed the mayor and board of alderman concerning dogs that are chasing her while she walks in the morning. Motion was made by Colby Parks, seconded by Steve Pigg to issue citations once a warning has been issued. Motion passed with all in favor.

The board of alderman made recommendation on buildings that are in need of being condemned and the mayor stated that the process is lengthy. The mayor stated he would get started on the process. Motion was made by Colby Parks and seconded by Robert Demus; motion passed with all in favor.

Charles Davis addressed the mayor and board of alderman concerning water and sewer issues. The mayor stated he would contact the town engineer to see if he can figure out what's going on.

Roger Burton III address the mayor and board of alderman concerning a clean up letter he received. He stated everything the man owns in on trailers and asked if he needed to address the issue. The board of alderman agreed that his property meets the standard.

The mayor asked for any other business to come before the board. Motion to adjourn was made by Colby Parks, seconded by Steve Pigg. Motion passed with all in favor.

Kim Tyer
Clerk

Clint Lancaster
Mayor