

**MINUTES – BENSON CITY COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 28, 2005**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Paul Kittelson. Members present: Sue Fitz, Lee Westrum, Bob Claussen, Gary Landmark, and Paul Kittelson. Members absent: None. Also present: City Manager Rob Wolfington, Finance Director Glen Pederson, and Public Works Director Elliot Nelson.

There was no one present with unscheduled business to come before the Council.

The City Manager informed the Council that due to the weather conditions, he suggested that most of the items on the agenda be tabled to the next meeting.

It was moved by Claussen, seconded by Landmark and carried unanimously to approve the following minutes on the consent agenda:

- a. November 9, 2005 Special Benson City Council Meeting
- b. November 14, 2005 Regular Benson City Council Meeting
- c. September 19, 2005 UMRDC Meeting
- d. November 10, 2005 Safety Committee Meeting

Joel James and Tony Lenz representing Community Advantage Leadership in Action came before the Council to inform them that they are here as a tool for the council. They are developing a list of assets of the community. The Council was requested to complete a checklist of assets and return them to City Hall. A community meeting to compile the information is schedule on December 1st.

Council Member Landmark offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION SETTING ASSESSMENTS FOR CURRENT SERVICES
BY THE CITY OF BENSON, MINNESOTA FOR 2005 PAYABLE 2006
(RESOLUTION NO. 2005-26)**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Benson City Council that the following assessments for 2005 as prepared by the City Manager are hereby approved and made a part thereof; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the assessments hereinafter noted shall be submitted to the County Auditor on or before December 1, 2005 and placed on the tax roll for collection with the taxes collectable in 2006.

Charges	Name and Mailing Address	Legal Description and Parcel No.	Amount Due
Fire Call	Kris Meyer 400 – 14 th St. So. Benson, MN 56215	Lot 1, Block 8, McKinney 1 st Addn. #23-0459-000	\$500.00
Fire Call	Maria Flores 410 – 13 th St. No. Benson, MN 56215	Lots 16-18, Blk 24 Original Townsite #23-0151-000	\$500.00
Remove Diseased Elm Tree	Allen Skare 703 – 16 th St. So. Benson, MN 56215	Lot 10 & No ½ Lot 9, Blk 10 Southside Addn. #23-0936-000	\$533.00
Remove Diseased Elm Tree	Richard & Mary Jo Schaaf 604 – 15 th St. So. Benson, MN 56215	Lot 3 & No ½ of Lot 4, Blk 9, Lynn Park Addn. 23-0924-000	\$201.50

Remove Diseased Elm Tree	Scott & Darlene Riley 601 – 13 th St. So. Benson, MN 56215	Lot 1, Blk 2 Hansen's Addn. 23-0757-000	\$136.50
Remove Diseased Elm Tree	Helen Olson 308 – 12 th St. No. Benson, MN 56215	Lots 15 & 16, Blk 14 Original Town 23-0081-000	\$190.00
Remove Diseased Elm Tree	Jeremiah Johnson 404 – 16 th St. So. Benson, MN 56215	Lots 2 & 3, Blk 6 McKinney's 1 st Addn. 23-0442-000	\$160.34
Remove Diseased Elm Tree	Anne Johnson 906 – 11 th St. No. Benson, MN 56215	Lots 3 & 4, Blk 13 Lynn Park Addn. 23-0731-000	\$123.50
Remove Diseased Elm Tree	Michael & Jane Howard 1405 Minnesota Ave. Benson, MN 56215	E ½ of Lots 1-3, Blk 8 Southside Addn. 23-0916-000	\$247.00
Remove Diseased Elm Tree	Robert & Tracy Heim 407 – 13 th St. So. Benson, MN 56215	Lots 32-34, Blk 3 Railway 1 st Addn. 23-0347-000	\$221.00
Remove Diseased Elm Tree	Duaine Flanders 1418 Atlantic Ave. Benson, MN 56215	Lots 1-2, Blk 2 Lynn Park Addn. 23-0644-000	\$156.00
Remove Diseased Elm Tree	Justin & Tanya Amundson 1510 Wisconsin Ave. #1 Benson, MN 56215	E ½ of Lots 15 & 16, Blk 4 McKinney's 2 nd Addn. 23-0499-000	\$156.00
Remove Diseased Elm Tree	Heather Ollendick 501 – 16 th St. So. Benson, MN 56215	Lot 13, Blk 3 McKinney's 2 nd Addn. 23-0486-000	\$468.00
Oil Clean-up	Larry & Tonya Jakel 808 Main St. Cold Spring, MN 56320	Lots 2-4, Blk 45 Morris & Payte's Addn. 23-0285-000	\$170.00
TOTALS			\$3762.84

Council Member Claussen seconded the foregoing Resolution and the following vote was recorded: AYES: Landmark, Claussen, Fitz, Westrum, Kittelson. NAYS: None. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution No. 2005-26 duly passed and adopted.

Council Member Fitz offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION SETTING ASSESSMENTS FOR WATER AND
SEWER SERVICES RENDERED BY THE CITY OF
BENSON, MINNESOTA FOR 2005 PAYABLE 2006
(RESOLUTION NO. 2005-27)**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Benson City Council that pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Chapter 444 that the assessment roll for 2005 Sewer and Water Bills as prepared by the City Manager is hereby approved and made a part therefore; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the assessments hereinafter noted shall be submitted to the County Auditor on or before December 1, 2005 and placed on the tax roll for collection with the taxes collectable in 2006.

Account Number, Name & Address	Legal Description & Parcel No.	Sewer	Water	Totals
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403-0054-00-18 1307 Minnesota Ave. Bernard Drivdahl	W 55 ft. Lot 1 & W 55 ft. of N 28 ft. Lot 2, Block 1, Hansen's Addition 23-0751-000	\$11.04	\$0.00	\$11.04
403-0054-02-04 601 Church St. Bernard Drivdahl	W 55 ft. Lot 1 & W 55 ft. of N 28 ft. Lot 2, Block 1, Hansen's Addition 23-0751-000	\$254.71	\$0.00	\$254.71
TOTALS		\$265.75	\$0.00	\$265.75

Council Member Westrum seconded the foregoing Resolution and the following vote was recorded: AYES: Fitz, Westrum, Claussen, Landmark, Kittelson. NAYS: None. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution No. 2005-27 duly passed and adopted.

The Public Works Director reported that the Midwest Independent System Operator had scheduled our generators to run beginning at 4:00 p.m. The current schedule is to shut down the generators at 7:30 p.m. and possibly start back up around midnight. The street crew will be out early to begin snow removal and sanding.

The City Manager informed the Council that the 2009 Transportation Enhancement Grant Application was mailed to District 4 today. The total project cost is \$282,096 with the City contributing \$114,000. There was a discussion whether the City wanted to proceed with the project. It was felt that if they turned down the project it could affect future applications. There was a consensus of the Council to proceed unless the Park Board feels that they would rather direct those funds to other park priorities.

The Council reviewed a proposal from Glacial Plains Cooperative to build a diesel fueling station to the south of the 17th Street North and Hwy. 9 intersection. They are proposing to demolish the current structures on the site and build a new facility.

It was moved by Claussen, seconded by Landmark and carried unanimously to reschedule the December 26, 2005 City Council to December 19, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

It was moved by Claussen, seconded by Westrum and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Mayor

Attest: _____
City Clerk