

**MINUTES - BENSON CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 20, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Landmark. Members present: Terri Collins, Jack Evenson, Gary Landmark, Stephanie Heinzig & Lucas Olson. Members Absent: None. Also present: City Manager Rob Wolfington, Director of Finance Glen Pederson, Director of Public Works Dan Gens and Police Chief Ian Hodge.

The Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Landmark asked for any changes to the agenda, to which there were none. There were no additions to the agenda. No consent agenda items were moved to the regular agenda. A motion was made by Heinzig, seconded by Collins and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as presented. It was moved by Collins, Seconded by Evenson and carried unanimously to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- March 6, 2017 City Council Minutes
- The following liquor licenses effective April 13, 2017 contingent upon receiving the necessary paperwork:

Club On-Sale Liquor License:

Benson VFW

Sunday Liquor License:

Benson VFW

Benson Bowler

Benson Golf Club

Patrick's Pub & Grill

McKinney's on Southside

On-Sale Liquor License:

Benson Bowler

Benson Golf Club

Patrick's Pub & Grill

Mi Mexico

McKinney's on Southside

Sidewalk Café Permit

Patrick's Pub & Grill, LLC

Off-Sale 3.2 Malt Beverage License:

Holiday Stationstore, Inc.

- Police Report
- Public Works Report

The Mayor asked for people with unscheduled business, to which there were none.

It was moved by Evenson, seconded by Collins and carried unanimously to set a public hearing for 5:30 p.m. on April 17, 2017 to consider approving the new Cemetery platt.

It was moved by Evenson, seconded by Collins and carried unanimously to set a public hearing for 5:30 p.m. on April 17, 2017 to consider approving moving a house from 1705 McKinney Ave. to a city owned lot at 313 – 16th St. N.

It was moved by Evenson, seconded by Heinzig and carried unanimously to approve going out for concrete bids for the 2017 season.

It was moved by Evenson, seconded by Olson and carried unanimously to approve going out for bituminous bids for the 2017 season.

It was moved by Evenson, seconded by Heinzig and carried unanimously to approve bills and warrants in the amount of \$624,995.88.

The Council recessed to the Prairie 5 Bus at 5:38 p.m. to tour city projects.

The Mayor reconvened the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

Wolfington called to the attention of the Council that Glen Pederson was recognized as City Clerk of the Year by the Minnesota Clerk's and Finance Officers Association last week.

Police Chief Hodge approached the Council with an estimate of the cost of the new police station remodel of the Loen Electric building from Marcus Construction of \$381,925. After discussion, it was moved by Evenson, seconded by Heinzig and carried unanimously to accept Marcus Construction's proposal to provide construction management services for 3% of the cost of construction.

Next was discussion on 3 evergreen trees that are located on the boulevard of Minnesota Avenue and 13th Street South. They are located in the south east corner of the intersection and have grown to obstruct the line of sight for motorists that approach that intersection from the south. The Council looked at these trees during the tour. After discussion, the Council ordered Chief Hodge to take pictures of the intersection and offer a recommendation at the April 3, 2017 City Council meeting.

There being no other business, a motion was made by Evenson, seconded by Collins and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor