

**Regular Month Meeting
Benton City Council
June 17, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Benton City Council was called to order on Monday, June 17, 2024 at 5:00 P.M. at Benton City Hall. Mayor Rita Dotson presided and called the meeting to order. Pledge of Allegiance was said and prayer was offered by Guy Henton.

Council members present were Laura Craynon, Ann Riley, Lori Henson, Guy Henton, Kevin Farley and Butch Holland.

Other staff present were Bethany Cooper, City Clerk/Treasurer; Rob Mattingly, City Attorney, Stephen Sanderson, Police Chief and Todd Riley, Gas Manager.

Mayor Dotson reviewed the bids for the Lift Station Rehabilitation Project for Contract 2b – Generators:

Warden Electric -	\$197,564.20
Evapar, Inc -	\$201,315.00

A motion was made by Farley, seconded by Holland to approve the bid from Warden Electric. All agreed. Motion carried.

City Attorney Mattingly discussed more on medical cannabis. He explained that Planning and Zoning Commission will need to review in order to offer recommendations to amend the Planning and Zoning Ordinance.

City Attorney Mattingly read the second reading of an ordinance repealing Chapter 158 and adopting a new registration policy for abandoned property. A motion was made by Riley, seconded by Farley to approve. All agreed. Motion carried.

City Attorney Mattingly read the second reading of the General Fund Budget for 2024-2025. A motion was made by Farley, seconded by Henton to approve. All agreed. Motion carried.

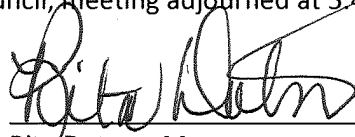
City Attorney Mattingly read the second reading of the Benton Water & Sewer System budget for 2024-2025. A motion was made by Henton, seconded by Holland to approve. All agreed. Motion carried.

City Attorney Mattingly read the second reading of the Benton Gas System budget for 2024-2025. A motion was made by Craynon, seconded by Riley to approve. All agreed. Motion carried.

Chief Sanderson presented the police report for May. There were 14 cases, 17 collisions, 43 citation violations and 1484 calls to service.

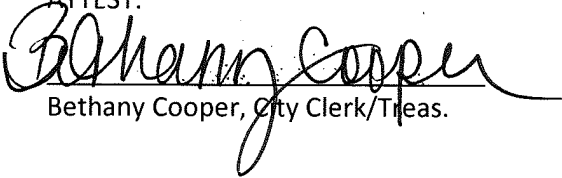
A motion was made by Henton, seconded by Holland to approve the regular minutes of May 20, 2024, the special called minutes of May 21, 2024, the special called minutes of May 24, 2024 and the special called minutes of June 3, 2024. All agreed. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council, meeting adjourned at 5:41 pm.



Rita Dotson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Bethany Cooper, City Clerk/Treas.