

**Town of Bentonia
Board Meeting
November 5, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Alderman Town of Bentonia was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Roger Burton III. The following members were present Clint Lancaster, Greg Shaffer, Patricia Stevens, Robert Demus and Colby Parks.: also present were Police Chief Jason Bright, Clerk Cannon Williams and Clerk Kim Tyer.

Motion to open the meeting was made by Clint Lancaster seconded by Colby Parks, Motion passed with all in favor.

Motion to except the minutes and bill was made by Colby Parks and seconded by Robert Demus. Motion passed with all in favor.

Cal Soday addressed the board concerning a pit bull dog that has puppies. He stated that the dog is vicious and has been creating fear for him and his wife's safety. He stated that something has to be done immediately.

Greg Shaffer stated that he had spoke with the Mayor of Yazoo City and that if the town could catch the dog and puppies, they could be housed at the pound in Yazoo City and if no one claimed them within a five-day period they would be disposed of. The dog catcher of Yazoo City will assist if needed. It was discussed that the town would be responsible for the fees associated with housing the dogs. Motion was made by Greg Shaffer and seconded by Colby Parks to have Jason catch the animals and take them to Yazoo City for housing and disposal if needed.

Sharon with the Tabaco Free Coalition presented the Board of Alderman with material about the Tabaco Free Coalition and also grants associated with the program.

Marcie Burton addressed the board about putting a new trailer on property he owns on 49 Highway. It was discussed that Mr. Burton would need to follow the ordinance in place and also bring a copy of the plans to have them approved prior to the trailer being brought in. The trailer would also need to pass inspection. The land and trailer will have to be in Mr. Burton's name.

The Mayor discussed a drainage issue on cox drive. He stated that water containing cow waste is being force through residents' yard on East Railroad and that the water needed to be rerouted through the Osborne's property which is where the cow waste is coming from.

Robert Demus stated that the water issue behind his house has not been addressed and it is costing him \$8000.00 to have his house repaired due to drainage issues. The Mayor stated that the town did not force water on him and that in the past all the water was going straight into the sewer system causing problems. The town has since repaired the service line to prevent water from damaging the sewer system. It was also discussed that the county

dug the ditch on Rosenberg too deep and that it is causing erosion issues and if not corrected the Town will lose the road.

The Mayor also stated the fire plug in front of Sudbecks, Cannon and Pritchard and also in front of Dean Hopsons house needs to have a cutoff value replaced. Clint Lancaster stated the one in front of his house is also in need of repair.

Mayor asked for any other business to come before the board. Motion to adjourn was made by Greg Shaffer and seconded by Clint Lancaster.

Kim Tyer, Town Clerk

Roger Burton III, Mayor