



Town of Benton
Monday-September 17, 2018
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1. **Roll Call:** Selectwoman Melissa Patterson, Selectwoman Robin Cyr and Chair Doug Dixon were present.
2. **Acceptance of Secretary's Report**
3. **LD1719- Structure for the Adult Use of Marijuana.** Selectwoman Cyr explained that the State already has a system in place to either OPT IN or OPT OUT. By the Town opting out would make Benton a "dry town", There could be no marijuana establishments in town. Selectwoman Cyr motioned and Selectwoman Patterson seconded. All in favor of opting out.
4. **New Business.** Official Policy Book & Local Ordinances: Discussion about Single and Bulk review when it comes to revising ordinances. Single Review would entail reviewing the ordinance and either adding or removing language. Bulk Review on the other hand would be group centered. Discussions would be had within the group where different ideas would be heard as to best write the ordinance. The purpose of the the change would be to make sure that all parties understand what the ordinances say if asked by the public. Selectwoman Cyr motioned to adopt a policy on ordinance modification to single review and group review. Selectwoman Patterson seconded, all in favor.
5. **Discussion again on Marijuana:** Th opt out option is the formal stance of the select people, unless asked by the town's attorney to make a more formal stance.
6. **Adjourned at 8:44 a.m.**