

## **Town of Benton**

*Monday - June 12, 2017, 6:00 PM*

*Benton Town Office*

1. Roll call: Selectman Dan Chamberlain, Selectman Melissa Patterson, & Selectman Robin Cyr present.
2. Secretary's Report: Mrs. Patterson motioned to accept the May 8, 2017 & May 22, 2017 minutes as written, Ms. Cyr seconded, all voted in favor.
3. Citizens' Concerns:
  - Charlie Kent*- Mr. Kent requested a copy of a check made payable to Mr. Kent from the Town of Benton from March 2014. This request was provided to Mr. Kent thru the office staff. Mr. Kent claims this is the first time he's seen the check. He claims he did not cash and or sign the check. Audrey Lee claims to see "hinkey stuff" "going on with Mr. Kent's check image from the bank. Documents from March 2014 are attached to show this was resolved on March 18, 2014.
  - Audrey Lee*- Mrs. Lee wants to know about the May 22<sup>nd</sup> Selectmen meeting. Mr. Chamberlain informed Mrs. Lee that the Town of Benton signed a contract for the new Benton CEO.
- Mrs. Lee also asked for her version of May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017 minutes be duly noted: "Where it pertains to me asking about prices for the town, I would like it duly noted in the minutes that by law the town can only charge \$15/hr in labor and somebody comes in and requests information because Sue Rodrigue did call me and explained to me that she called MMA again and apparently she miss understood them initially".
4. 2017 Alewife Festival.
  - '18 Festival Chairman/Director: Mr. Chamberlain reported the Alewife Dinner was a success this year with 96 meals served at Benton Elementary School. The Alewife Harvest brought in around 20K for the Town of Benton. Cheryl Nadeau (Brackett) will be the new chair of the 2018 Benton Alewife Festival.
5. Road Commissioner's Report: Todd Littlefield absent.
6. New Business: Mrs. Patterson motioned to accept the 2018-2022 Alewife Harvest Contract to Ron Weeks. Ms. Cyr held discussion about the Alewife Harvest Contract, KVCOG contract, and other Town of Benton contracts.
7. Old Business: None
8. Assessing Abatements & Supplements: None
9. Other Business and Correspondence: Mr. Chamberlain gave his resignation. Mr. Chamberlain's last day will be June 30, 2017 as First Selectman.

10. Adjourn: Mrs. Patterson motioned to adjourn at 6:38pm, Ms. Cyr seconded, all voted in favor.

Feb. 27, 2014

Mr. Patrick Turlo Benton town Clerk  
1279 Clinton Avenue  
Benton, Maine. 04901

RE: Your Letter Dated Feb. 05, 2014

Dear Mr. Turlo:

Please find enclosed my check to the town of Benton in the amount of \$30.00 to cover any cost related to information of any town records or copies

Please furnish Charles Kent copies of the 2013 Absentee voter list and also the 2014 Absentee voter list.

Sincerely  
Charles Kent

Please make an estimated list of cost for copies or information and return any money not used to

Charles Kent  
248 Bangor Road  
Benton, Maine. 04901



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March 18, 2014

Mr. Charles Kent  
248 Bangor Road  
Benton, ME 04901

Ref: My ltr to you dated March 5, 2014

Dear Mr. Kent:

As a follow-up to my referenced letter, the absentee voter list for the 2014 Town election is enclosed.

I made \$3,785.00 as Town Clerk from August 12, 2012 to Town Meeting, March 2013.

The 2014 Absentee voter list is \$1.00 for the first page and 25 cent per page for additional pages. Cost of the 2013 list was \$2.00. The cost of the 2014 absentee voter list is \$2.00. You will receive a check for \$26.00 in change after the next accounts payable check run.

Sincerely,

Patrick A. Turlo  
Town Clerk

Encl: (1) 2013 Absentee Voter List

Copy to: Town Attorney Alton Stevens

Charles Kent  
248 Bangor Road  
Benton, Maine  
04901

April 20, 2017

Town of Benton,

Pursuant to Maine's Freedom of Access Act, please provide me copies of all communications, written and electronic. Reduced to hardcopy that supports the following expenditures report on pages 27, 28, 29, 30 of the 2014 Annual Report for the Town of Benton:

Itemized List of Expenditures:

- Charles Kent \$26.00 \*
- Dan Chamberlain ✓ \$2475.00 - Mileage - 225.00/per month - 11 months
- Josh Patterson \$2070.00 - General Assistance - confidential - WOOD
- Richard Lawrence \$1348.48 ✓
- Antoine Morin \$102.83 ✓
- Melissa Patterson \$75.60 ✓
- Sue Roderick \$422.98 ✓

\* I also request a copy of the check both Front and Back that was made out to Charles Kent for the amount of \$26.00.

You may also reference back to my letter of request

Dan Chamberlain  
1<sup>st</sup> Selectmen Town of Benton

Dated August 13, 2015

As I, nor my lawyer ever received any response to this request.

I have attached that letter to this request.

Thank you,

Charles Kent

B. Morin  
 (Received by) Print name  
BK  
 (Received by) Signature

Date: 4/20/17

TOWN OF BENTON  
1279 CLINTON AVE.  
BENTON, ME 04801

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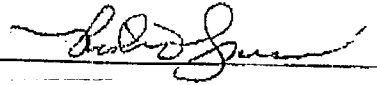
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Charles Kent  
248 Bangor Road  
Benton, ME 04901



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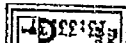
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# SIGNATURE COMPARISON

SIGNATURE MR. KENT SIGNED  
FEBRUARY 27, 2014 →

Sincerely  
*Charles Kent*

SIGNATURE ON CHECK →

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X <i>Charles Kent</i>
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