



Town of Benton
Monday-July 9, 2018
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1. **Roll Call:** Selectwoman Selectwoman Robin Cyr and Chair Doug Dixon were present. Absent Selectwoman Melissa Patterson.
2. **Acceptance of Secretary's Report**
3. **Public Hearing:** Increasing the sewer rates. There was a motion made by Chairman Dixon to increase the sewer rates by 5%, this was seconded by Selectwoman Cyr. Letters will go out to inform the public of the impending change, which will begin on January 1, 2019.
4. **Old Business:** Update on Bulger Property: Ross Nason CEO reached out to the State about the holding tank which is above ground on the property is gone and filled in. DHHS seemed satisfied, however NERPA was not.. The trailer has been sold. As to the matter of fines, it was decided that it was to be on advisement of the Attorney. Selectman Dixon proposed a public hearing at the next selectman's meeting on August 13, 2018, Selectwoman Cyr second.
5. **Mood Property:** Siding St. is on the Moody property. The town has to either buy the property or move the road. There needs to be a cost comparison to which makes more financial sense.
6. **Value Payment System:** Should the town accept credit and debit card payments on line. More research is needed it was decided.
7. **Planning Board & Appeals Board Compensation:** Should there be an increase in the allotment of pay from \$20.00 per meeting to \$40.00 dollars per meeting. There will be a decision made at the next meeting.
8. **Citizen's Concerns:** Ron Hood stated that there were trees falling down on the Pines Rd and the town should be taking care of this. There was also discussion of a resident that has a surplus of unregistered vehicles on their property. Audrey Lee asked about PERC and if there was any news. Chairman Dixon has said that recycling will continue. Councilwoman Cyr wants to send a stronger letter to the Town of Clinton about the 45% kickback.

9. Adjourned at 7:24 p.m.