

**MINUTES - BENSON CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
CITY HALL
JUNE 24, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Evenson. Members present: Jack Evenson, Dan Enderson, Chris Carruth, Mark Schreck, and Nancy Maanum. Members Absent: None. Also present: City Clerk Valerie Alsaker, Director of Finance Lisa Kent, City Manager Kyle Harris, Assistant City Attorney Stephen Kowal, Public Works Director Elliot Nelson, CEDA Representative Hillary Tweed and Reed Anfinson.

The Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Evenson said the purpose of the special meeting today is to discuss further the change order from Stantec Engineering for the Wastewater Treatment facility improvement project. It was moved by Maanum, seconded by Schreck and carried unanimously to approve the agenda for the meeting.

Harris and Nelson approached the Council. Harris gave a history of the project, explaining mistakes on engineering schematics to City frustration with supply chain issues to having to hire locally to help solve issues with the plant. He again reflected on a meeting he, Nelson, Magney and Stantec had, to work out cost overages between each party, with Stantec reducing their bill by \$20,109.

Nelson said it is time to finish out this project by paying the additional change order amount, and move forward with valuable lessons learned and start fresh before we embark on the new MPCA permitting process for the plant. Schreck asked where the funding come from. After discussion, it was moved by Enderson, seconded by Schreck and carried unanimously to approve the Stantec Change order in the amount of \$30,343.00.

There being no further business to come before the Council a motion was made by Schreck, seconded by Maanum and carried unanimously to adjourn the Council meeting at 5:29 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk