

Village of Benton
October 24, 2022
Special Meeting Minutes

Members present: Scott Cruse, Chuck Wartner, John Perkins, Cal Robbins, Jill Knight, Kenneth Farrey

Absent members:

Village employees present: Sonya Silvers

Others Present: David Ralph, Dan Wackershauser

The Special board meeting of the Benton Village Board was called to order by appointed chair, Jill Knight, at 9:30 a.m. in the conference room of the Benton Business Incubator Building at 244 Ridge Avenue on Monday, October 24, 2022.

In compliance with the open meeting law, proper notice of the meeting had been posted in four public places; the Zephyr Depot, Benton State Bank, Benton Post Office, and the Benton Business Incubator Building.

Appointment of Jill Knight as the chair for the special board meeting held Monday, October 24 at 9:30.m.

Voice-all ayes. Carried

Gary McCrea announced at the regular October Village board meeting that after 27 years on the Village board, 23 of those serving as Village president in the Village of Benton he would resign and turn in his resignation. His last day was on October 20, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. Gary recommended to the board at the regular board meeting held on October 19, 2022 that Scott Cruse fill the vacant position of interim Village president for the remainder of the term. A motion and vote were made that night, however due to this item not being an agenda item it will need to have another motion and vote to be legal.

Motion (Wartner, Perkins) to approve the recommendation to appoint Scott Cruse as interim Village president to fill the vacant position for the Village of Benton effective October 24, 2022. Roll-all ayes. Carried

Kenny Farrey made a recommendation to the Board at the regular Village board meeting held on October 19, 2022 to appoint David Ralph to fill the vacant interim Village trustee position. A motion and vote were made that night, however due to this item not being an agenda item it will need to have another motion and vote to be legal. Discussion was held and David Ralph will fill the vacancy effective October 24th, 2022 until the election in April. The elected trustee will then serve for a one year term.

Motion (Farrey, Robbins) to approve the recommendation to appoint Dave Ralph as interim Village trustee to fill the vacant position for the Village of Benton effective October 24, 2022 until the April election. Roll-all ayes. Carried

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Motion (Wartner, Perkins) to adjourn. Voice-all ayes. Carried