

Board of Abatement February 2, 2026
Benson Town Office

Board Members Present: Lynn Bowen, Heidi Chandler, Brad Barrett, John Hill, Eric Shaw, Guy Charlton, Daryl Burlett and James Pritchard.

For the Appellant: Andrew Purdy, for the Slate Valley Union School District.

Others: Diane Drake, Roxy Helm and Jack Helm

Lynn Bowen called the meeting to order at 5:07PM. John Hill made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Guy Chrlton.

Request for Abatement on Parcel 000010-66.

Heidi Chandler read the abatement request to the board, reading “ Request to refund the school district \$290.25, the total of the late fee charged after the sewer bill did not arrive until December 18th. The bill was post-marked November, 14th. It was due on December 15th. Measures have been taken to ensure that bills are paid promptly, regardless of slow mail.

Andrew Purdy gave testimony, stating that he was new to the job and was unaware of the sewer schedule.

Discussion on Abating the Penalty. Answer, that is at the discretion of the Delinquent tax collector

Board agreed not to enter deliberative session. The Board denied the Abatement for not meeting statutory criteria.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:16 pm on a motion from Brad Barrett with a second from Daryl Burlett.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heidi Chandler, Clerk