

**CITY OF BUFFALO CITY REGULAR MEETING-  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2019-MUNICIPAL BUILDING – 7:00 PM**

The Regular meeting of the City of Buffalo City Common Council was called to order by Mayor Russ Lorenz, Jr. at 7 p.m. Roll call: Jeannie Czapski, Larry Johansen and Ben Holien. Absent: Kevin Mack. Also present City Superintendent Stan Meier. Citizen present: Dan Vanover. The meeting was held as noticed. Motion Holien, second Johansen to approve minutes from the previous meeting. All yes, motion carried.

Discussed letters received from 3 property owners along North River Road asking to purchase the City owned land that adjoins their property. Council agreed if all costs associated with the purchases were paid by the property owners they would like to proceed with the sale on the one block in question. Any future sales will be addressed by individual block only, not by each property. Clerk to look into all details needed with City attorney and put on March agenda. Dan Vanover addressed the council about possibly making a city brush pile by the shop or Foelsch Park where the City and himself when he is doing contract work for us, can pile brush to be burned at a later time. Czapski said that would just promote others putting brush there when we already have a place at the BBC landfill for all brush to be taken. Lorenz and the rest of the council agreed and told Vanover they don't want that to happen. Council discussed the possible cutting of future riverfront trees destroyed by beavers. Superintendent will work with Vanover on these trees as he has time.

**Recreation** – Discussed purchase of one or two liners for skating rink to use starting next year. Due to the bad weather, the rink wasn't opened, and Lorenz would like to see the money budgeted for rink attendant wages used to purchase liners to help with flooding issues the City always has. Discussed how durable the liner would be and how long it would hold up. Council thought purchasing one at this time to try may be a good idea. Motion Czapski, second Holien to amend the 2019 budget to move \$800 from the rink wages to the rink expenses budget to be used to purchase a liner for next year's season. All yes, motion carried.

**Building** – One permit issued.

**Cemetery** – Clerk explained that Alma Blooms will no longer be able to supply the exact same arrangement for the City Cemetery trust to beautify graves the city must provide. Clerk has worked out an alternative with Alma Blooms and with the help of the C-FC Horticulture class to arrange very similar arrangements for the upcoming season. Cost should be the same or possibly somewhat less. Lorenz agreed that when the city looked for a supplier a few years ago, Alma came in with the best prices and best quality. Meier reported a total of 18 burials in 2018, nine full burials and nine cremations.

**BBC** – Czapski explained to the council that the BBC board is continuing discussion with the Buffalo County Recycling board to try to improve services and efficiency at the Cochrane location.

**Superintendent** – Continuing to work on removing dead riverfront trees, black locusts from riverfront and dead trees on the City right of way.

**Clerk** - Municipal building lighting bids were reviewed. The City doesn't have the entire amount needed in the 2019 budget to replace all lighting at the municipal building. Council agreed to get all the fire department work done this year including cement work, door replacement and lighting transition. Will review money left towards the end of the year and consider finishing the rest of the municipal building lighting at that time. Bids for the fire department lighting were received

from Seitz Electric for \$2,830 and Twin Bluff Electric for \$2,024. Motion Holien, second Johansen to hire Twin Bluff Electric to replace the fire department lighting along with the exit signs at this time for a total of \$2,600. All yes, motion carried.

Motion Holien, second Czaplewski to pay bills. All yes, motion carried. Motion Czaplewski, second Johansen to adjourn. All yes, motion carried.  
Jenny Ehlenfeldt, Clerk