

**CITY OF BUFFALO CITY 2nd REGULAR MEETING-
MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2021-MUNICIPAL BUILDING – 7:00PM**

The 2nd Regular meeting of the City of Buffalo City Common Council was called to order by Mayor Kevin Mack at 7:00 p.m. Roll call: George Fuller, Larry Johansen, Niki Secrist and Jeannie Czaplewski. Also present City Superintendent Stan Meier. Citizens Brach Seitz, Jack Dittman and Brian Gosse. The meeting was held as noticed. Motion Czaplewski, second Johansen to approve minutes from Regular Meeting April 12th. All yes, motion carried.

Street Bids - Discussion on street bids. Council reviewed paving bid from Monarch Paving. This was the only full repave bid that was received. Council then compared the chip seal and crack fill bids from Scott Construction, Fahrner Asphalt and Paving Consultants. Discussion on logistics of having more than one company do the work. Meier said it was a problem when street work was done 5 years ago. Czaplewski recommends going with the same company for both jobs and Scott comes in with the better overall price since Paving Consultants only bid the crack fill job. Scott also agreed to add to their contract that they will not exceed the estimated cost. Motion Czaplewski, second Secrist to approve hiring Monarch Paving Company to repave 3.39 miles plus the add on #1 as stipulated in the bid to repave municipal building parking lot and boat ramp for a total cost of \$567, 689; and to hire Scott Construction for all chip seal work including 4.73 miles plus add ons and crack fill work of 9.76 miles of streets quoted with price not to exceed \$138,774. Total estimated project cost to be \$706,463. Roll call vote. All yes, motion carried.

Public Comments – Brach Seitz told the council he does not agree with how they plan to charge for pieces of land they are offering to sell to homeowners along the river road. These small pieces of land are city owned but attached to over 20 properties along the river road. Seitz said he does not think the total cost of surveying all 11 blocks should be split up based on a percentage of square feet for all property owners. He wants to survey his own block and pay based on that. Council told Seitz the city is getting a deal on having all surveyed at one time and that total cost would be divided fairly based on square footage sold to each property owner. An overwhelming majority of all other property owners are in agreement with this plan.

Finance – Council discussed loan options to pay for the 2021 street project. Because it is over the \$700,000 offered loan from Alliance Bank the council would like to go up to \$725,000 just to make sure all costs are covered. Motion Johansen, second Fuller to approve a \$725,000 loan at 2.25% locked for 5 years and amortized over 6 from Alliance Bank. Roll call vote. All yes, motion carried.

Cemetery – Council consensus to add planters by the columbarium. Friends of the Cemetery will be meeting and planning to help again this summer.

Recreation – Secrist working with 4th of July Committee. Will have a better update after meeting Wednesday. Pool and Little League reports will be discussed and payments decided on in May.

Health and Safety – Fine warning letter was sent to 19th Street property owner this week.

Riverfront – Riverfront Committee will meet Monday, May 24th for Riverfront inspections.

Clerk – Board of Review will meet Thursday, May 20th. Johansen will fill in as alternate for Mack. Discussed several dog complaints received lately about dogs running loose out of their yards and attacking others. Clerk sends warning letters to anyone who is named. Fines can be issued.

Discussion on Scenic Valley Emergency Medical Service 1st Quarter billing. Czaplewski said after talking with the director she was assured we would be provided with an actual payroll account detail that shows these amounts were actually issued in checks. Motion Johansen, second Fuller to pay bills as printed including SVEMS 1st Quarter bill. All yes, motion carried.

Motion Johansen, second Czaplewski to adjourn. All yes. Motion carried.

Kevin Mack, Mayor

Jenny Ehlenfeldt, Clerk

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**RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING—MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2021 -8:30 PM-
MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

The Re-Organization meeting of the City of Buffalo City Common Council was called to order by Mayor Kevin Mack. Roll call: Jeannie Czaplewski, Larry Johansen, Niki Secrist and George Fuller. The meeting was held as noticed.

Mack opened nomination for Council President. Secrist nominated Czaplewski. No other nominations were received. Motion Secrist, second Johansen to approve Czaplewski as Council President. All yes, motion carried.

The Mayor set his committees and appointments for 2020. Motion Czaplewski, second Secrist to approve committees and appointments. All yes, motion carried. A copy of committees and members is on file at the City Office on the City website.

Mayor appointments with Council approval:

City Depository—Alliance Bank (Cochrane Branch)

City Attorney—Terry Madden, Kostner, Koslo and Brovold

Official Newspaper—Buffalo County News

Motion Johansen, second Fuller to approve these appointments. All yes, motion carried.

Motion Johansen, second Fuller to adjourn. All yes, motion carried.

Kevin Mack, Mayor

Jenny Ehlenfeldt, Clerk

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