

**CITY OF BUFFALO CITY REGULAR MEETING-
MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2021 -MUNICIPAL BUILDING – 7:00 PM**

The regular meeting of the City of Buffalo City Common Council was called to order by Mayor Kevin Mack at 7 p.m. Roll call: Jeannie Czaplewski, Larry Johansen, George Fuller and Niki Secrist. Also present City Superintendent Stan Meier. No citizens present.

Motion Johansen, second Fuller to approve minutes from the previous meeting. All yes, motion carried.

Finance - Monarch bill was less than estimated. Stimulus funds that will be received total \$99,853 from federal government. Discussion on what city could possibly use funds for. Will be hard to qualify a project with a city our size without sewer and water. If we do not use for qualifying projects the money must be returned.

Public Works - Street project discussion. Repave company has a few things to finish. Chip seal will start but not do park until after 4th.

Cemetery – Planters done. Leak in cemetery water being worked on. Ruth Leahy donated her schoolhouse earnings to have the columbarium planters built. Discussion on flat stones only on 40' on each side of the columbarium row. Consensus this was a good idea. City Superintendent will make note.

Recreation – Secrist gave update on 4th of July Celebration. Close to covering all the expenses. Reviewed 2021 little league info. Secrist listened in at Fountain City meeting last week. Fountain City giving their full amount of \$4,000. Czaplewski pointed out that Cochrane minutes say that a rep from the little league told them they don't need money this year and Cochrane isn't giving them anything this year. Secrist said she was told PYAA would like the full amount Buffalo City has normally contributed. Council discussed how program was being run and if funds should even be given this year. Feel there are too many mixed messages. Also do not feel fair if the townships do not contribute. The city and villages shouldn't be the only ones funding a program that children from all are involved in. Secrist told them we want a letter requesting money and breakdown of participation and fields used before we will make a decision. Discussed questioning what is going to happen to the C-BC money that is leftover.

Building – Nine permits issued. Discussion on 6th Street Market place lot sales. Council previously approved selling city owned lots on 6th Street. Put out for bids to consider July 12th.

Health and Safety - Discussed recently issued city ordinance fine issue. Photos taken last week and property still not in acceptable condition. Discussed whether issue more fines. Council consensus to wait to see what happens at court date tomorrow. Ninth street property. Czaplewski motion, 2nd Secrist to fine 9th Street \$250.

Riverfront Committee - Riverfront committee minutes reviewed. Warning letters sent. Given to July 4th to clean up. Will be meeting with the Corps of Engineers next week to review agreement and discuss issues.

BBC – Meeting Thursday to discuss future operations.

Mayor - Discussion on ATV Ordinance and the county ordinance. Discussed signage. Change to add #4 Buffalo City not liable. Czaplewski thinks attorney should review our ordinance before approved. Will get to attorney to review and have ready for July meeting.

City Superintendent – Schoolhouse would like to have both sides of the street paved and they would pay for it. Council agrees with a good idea. Schoolhouse would like to donate money for the park. They would like the council to consider taking all elm trees out of the park and get some new trees planted. Meier said there are some other projects in the park he can tell them about also like replacing the small playground taken out a year ago. Another idea would be the frisbee golf course.

Clerk – Motion Czapplewski, second Fuller, to approve liquor license for (Class “B” Beer & Liquor: River Ratz Saloon-Pawlak and Lost Pirate Tiki Bar and Grill. - Mueller; Class “A” Beer & Liquor: B&S Express-Michaels; Cigarette License: B&S Express-Michaels and River Ratz Saloon – Pawlak) All yes, motion carried. Motion Czapplewski, second Johansen, to approve Operator’s License for River Ratz: Fernandez, Hanson, Mueller, Prevost, Walchak, Pierce, Kern; B & S: M. Michaels, K. Michaels, Hill, Marco, Koenig, Gleiter, Meir, Thielen, Wicka; Lost Pirate: Maier, Fernholz, Nelson. All yes, motion carried. Discussed high iron levels with new municipal building well. Mack said to try the salt to get rid of the iron for now. Will need to flush more often. Look into iron filter options. Ron Wanek of Ashley furniture contacted the city wishing to donate for a project in memory of David Piechowski. Clerk will talk to Wanek and his representative about ideas. Council is very thankful for his offer and are happy to memorialize Piechowski.

Discussion - Discussed local cable options.

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

Kevin Mack., Mayor

Jenny Ehlenfeldt, Clerk

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