

**CITY OF BUFFALO CITY REGULAR MEETING-
MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2022 -MUNICIPAL BUILDING – 7:00 PM**

The regular meeting of the City of Buffalo City Common Council was called to order by Mayor Ben Holien at 7 p.m. Roll call: Jeannie Czaplewski, George Fuller and Kim Beseler. Absent: Larry Johansen. Also Present City Superintendent Stan Meier. Citizen present: Zeke Secrist.

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

Citizens Secrist is working on roof estimates for the insurance claim. He will re look at the concession stand damage to put a new estimate together for the adjuster. He said he could get the roofs done by the 4th of July if we get info from insurance within the next week. Clerk will clarify what the deductible is.

Recreation – Fuller gave an update on the Community Action Committee’s 4th of July Celebration. Checking accounts now on their own accounts. They have posters out and all events are set for the celebration at the park. Discussion on basketball hoops. Hoops were installed and Holien said he has heard good feedback on them. The courts will be resurfaced and re-lined next week prior to the 4th of July which will include a basketball tournament. Meier has all hole signs/posts installed in the disc golf course. Clerk working on getting a course sign made along with other signs for the basketball/tennis courts. Discussed concrete launch pads. Consensus to wait a while to see what use the course gets. Discussion on food trucks being allowed at the park without prior permission. Council agreed they like the food truck options at the park, but that they should have to call ahead. Discussion on ice cream truck in town also. Agreed it was a nice option for residents and didn’t cause issues. Holien would like to see what types of ordinances other municipalities have in place to regulate food trucks, etc. Clerk will do some research.

Holien updated the council on the Foelsch Park shelter idea. The Waneks have said they are still interested in putting around \$10,000 towards a project in memory of Dave Piechowski. Holien and Fuller said they would like to see the city put maybe \$10,000 in also. Would like to put shelter at Foelsch Park in memory of Dave. Fuller said he would talk to C-FC industrial arts program to see if they would work on it. Talked about a shelter kit. Holien hopes the addition of a shelter to Foelsch would create another location for people to use for small events. We have already seen a few weddings held at the park in the past few years. Would like 20’ x 20’ shelter with open sides on a concrete pad with possible block up poles and electricity. Hoping the project could be completed this fall or next spring. Discussion on whether we need concrete or not. Fuller will try to get a plan done to start. Clerk handing out specs to local contractors. Victory Fabrication donated \$125 towards the Eagle project signs he recently fabricated for the park. City appreciates his donation to that project.

Cemetery – Reviewed committee meeting minutes. Holien said the cemetery looked great for Memorial Day. Discussion on columbarium and looking at costs for new ones. Discussion on bushes around Huebsch Mausoleum and replacing them with something. Talked about fixing up old headstones again. Prices got too high so we stopped fixing the older ones up. Meier will get prices from Lewiston Monument.

Building - 16 Permits issued this month.

Health & Safety – Fire issue at 13th and Belvidere was addressed by the Mayor and Buffalo County Sheriff’s Department. Clerk put out a reminder that burning refuse, furniture or other household and building materials is not allowed. Clerk has sent a few dog letters for people

allowing their dogs to poop in others yards or along city streets and those letting their dogs run at large.

Riverfront – Reviewed committee minutes. Several spots did open up and will be given out per waiting list. Discussed upper spring lake landing and what needs to be done yet. Needs leveling as well as some rough areas smoothed out. Meier will need to put up some no parking signs so it can get compacted by Duellmann without trucks or trailers in his way. Inspections by riverfront committee will be next week.

BBCM – Czaplewski updated the council after last week’s meeting. Negotiations with county about BBCM contracting services to Waste Transport slowed down due to several new people at the county level, but the board is moving forward with contracts with Cyrus. Contract will include reimbursing him for the building he had to buy and we will pay him the \$7,500 for the contract even if county doesn’t pay us that money they have promised us in the past. BBCM will have the year-old skidsteer to sell and that money will go into the BBCM funds to use for years. Board is hoping for an October 1st transfer of services to Waste Transport. Need contracts signed this summer to get to that date. Will not be paying the county the per capita fee, as we have not received the \$7,500 promised to us yet this year.

City Superintendent – Lawn mower hoping to have delivered after 4th. Will work to get 4th set up with Community Action Committee.

Clerk – Motion Fuller, second Beseler to approve sale of columbarium niche AW2-7 to Fernandez. All yes, motion carried. Motion Czaplewski, second Besler to approve Class “B” Beer & Liquor License for: River Ratz Saloon-Pawlak and Lost Pirate Tiki Bar and Grill. - Mueller; and Class “A” Beer & Liquor License: B&S Express-Michaels; and Cigarette License: B&S Express-Michaels. All yes, motion carried. Motion Fuller, second Czaplewski to approve Operator’s License to - River Ratz: Fernandez, Hanson, Mueller, Sobotta, Pierce, Bedtka; B & S: M. Michaels, K. Michaels, Hill, Marco, Koenig, Gleiter and Wicka. All yes, motion carried. Motion Fuller, second Beseler to approve a Class B Temporary Beer License for the VFW Post 10406 (July 4, 2022 – Buffalo City Park). All yes, motion carried. Motion Czaplewski, second Fuller to approve a Fireworks Permit for Community Action Committee with Liability Insurance through Platte River Displays, Inc. (July 4, 2022 – Buffalo City Park). All yes, motion carried.

Motion Czaplewski second Fuller to pay bills. All yes, motion carried. Motion Fuller second Beseler to adjourn. All yes, motion carried.

Ben Holien, Mayor

Jenny Ehlenfeldt, Clerk

date approved