

BUDGET MEETING-MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2018-6:45 PM-MUNICIPAL BUILDING

The Budget meeting of the City of Buffalo City Common Council was called to order by Mayor, Russ Lorenz. Roll call: Kevin Mack, Ben Holien, Jeannie Czaplewski and Larry Johansen. Citizens present: None. Meeting was held as noticed. Lorenz opened the floor to public comment. No citizens spoke. Motion Mack, second Czaplewski to adjourn the meeting. All yes, motion carried.

**CITY OF BUFFALO CITY REGULAR MEETING-
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2018-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: Kevin Mack, Jeannie Czaplewski, Larry Johansen and Ben Holien. Also present City Superintendent Stan Meier. Citizen present: Kevin Engler and Matt Ward. The meeting was held as noticed. Motion Holien, second Johansen to approve minutes from the previous meeting. All yes, motion carried.

Finance – Motion Mack, second Czaplewski to approve the 2019 budget as printed. All yes, motion carried.

Recreation - Discussed ATV Advisory Referendum results. Results were 237 yes, 267 no. Johansen said he feels the council should continue to consider allowing ATVs on City streets based on the referendum results. Holien said he can see the recreation committee meeting to discuss, but feels there are a lot of issues that would need to be addressed before anything is finalized by the council. Mack suggested a future referendum with specific guidelines outlined because he felt the vague wording concerned a lot of citizens. Holien said making specific routes will only make it easier for some to vote yes if it's not by their house because it won't affect them and won't really be fair to the ones it does affect. Holien emphasized the majority of voters did vote no. Czaplewski said citizens had questioned her on what the City's liability would be for damages and accidents caused by the ATV use and would we require liability insurance. After much discussion, Lorenz said he would like to see the council consider options for allowing ATVs in the future. He would recommend the recreation committee begin the discussion process. Skating rink attendant applications were reviewed. Lorenz gave his recommendations to the council. Motion Mack, second Holien to hire back Amber Sanborn and Donovan Bensmiller as main rink attendants with Brianna Boaz as a third attendant and Reece Lisowski as a back up attendant as needed. All yes, motion carried.

Building – Six permits issued. Herman Street property has been razed. Mack said a little clean up is needed there yet, but he feels the owner has done what the City required.

Health & Safety – Johansen said he has spoken with the Belvidere Street property owner and feels all unregistered vehicles are taken care of at this time. He told the property owner the council would like to see more of the clutter in the yard cleaned up. Council consensus to notify property owner the current fine will be suspended until spring if the property owner continues to make an effort to clean up then. Johansen will continue to monitor the situation and do periodic checks of the property.

Public Works – Crack sealing done.

BBC – Czaplewski said she recently attended a county recycle meeting. The county informed BBC of a few changes that should have been made in the recycling program and other concerns they had. One big change will be that aluminum will not be separated from the other recycles and must be turned in together.

City Superintendent– Discussed shop cold storage expansion. Meier asked to put a detailed plan together showing what is needed and what specs will be required. Addition will need to be budgeted for a future year. Sweeper will be sent for maintenance soon.

Clerk – December meeting set for Tuesday, December 11th at 7pm instead of the Monday.

Other Discussion: Discussed ambulance calls to local establishment. Mack feels the repeat calls are putting an undue strain on our volunteer ambulance service. Council will discuss problems with owner.

Motion Mack, second Holien to pay bills. All yes, motion carried. Motion Johansen, second Mack to adjourn. All yes, motion carried.

Jenny Ehlenfeldt, Clerk