City of Buffalo

**City Council Meeting** 

July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022

City of Buffalo Public Hearing called to order at 6:32 PM by Mayor Jager

Council members present; Mayor Jager, Steckler, Kasin, Haseleu; Guests present: Auditor Richman, Mari Ketterer, Lee Fisher, Kayla Lawson, Tracie and Zaun, Mary Andel

Motion to rezone the following into Ernie Land rezoning hearing reading administering 2 city blocks and commercial district of the following: Lot: 0 Block: 30 UNPLATTED 30-140-54 8.82 AC THAT PT OF NW1/4 DESC AS FOLL: COMM AT THE NW C OR OF BLK 1 PLAT OF NEW BUFFALO, THN N 87DG34'45"" W (ASSM BRG) ALG THE WLY EXTENS OF THE N LN OF SD BLK 1 FOR A DIST OF 80' TO A PT ON THE W R/W LN O F FIRST AVE IN CITY OF BUFFALO, SD PT ALSO LYING O N THE E LN OF AUD LT 3, THE PT OF BEG; THN S 02DG2 5'15"" W ALG THE W R/W LN OF FIRST AVE & THE E LN OF AUD LT 3 FOR A DIST OF 760' TO A PT ON THE S R/ W LN OF NOYES ST IN CITY OF BUFFALO, THN N 87DG34' by Steckler, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

Motion to adjourn the Rezoning Public Hearing by Kasin, seconded by Haseleu. MCU.

City of Buffalo Council Meeting called to order at 6:36 PM by Mayor Jager.

Council members present; Mayor Jager, Steckler, Kasin, Haseleu; Guests present: Auditor Richman, Deputy Manning, Mari Ketterer, Lee Fisher, Kayla Lawson, Tracie Zaun, Kittie Curfman, Bill VonBank, Neil Hanson and Mary Andel

Motion to approve minutes from June 13<sup>th</sup> and June 28<sup>th</sup> by Lawson, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

Motion to approve the agenda as stated with modifications and deviate as needed by Kasin, seconded by Haseleu. MCU

Deputy Manning reported on 4 calls of service for June; 1 burglary, 1 public assist and 2 medicals. Cass County Sheriff's Office is handing out "I got Caught" Ice Cream tickets for kids who have their helmets on when riding bikes, scooters or roller blades.

Park Board – yard of the month is happening, trees have been planted at the RV Park, new flags have been ordered for the light poles in town along main street.

Library, Daycare, Historical Society – no updates

Discussion held with B. VonBank regarding *dismantled vehicles with junk stored in and on vehicles, unlicensed vehicles, building materials, dismantled equipment and parts* at both his business and residential properties. VonBank proposed a date of July 15<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM to have both his properties cleaned up or by Monday morning will have the right for the city to come in and clean up the violations, council accepted.

Discussion held with Curfman regarding *dilapidated and dismantled vehicles in an unconcealed storage space, tires, auto parts, junk and debris* on their property. Tree has been cleaned up. Is not able to put the pioneer plates on the brown vehicle. Is not able to clean up the remainder without the help of her son and doesn't know when he can get there. A reminder was provided that pioneer plates does not fix all, but needs to be able operable and movable every 30 days. An accepted clean up date has been extended to the 8<sup>th</sup> of August to have items cleaned up.

Discussion held with N. Hanson regarding *unlicensed vehicles, no access to the fire hydrant, vehicles blocking the alleyway, junk, debris, miscellaneous items* on his residential property and *unlicensed vehicle(s), building materials, junk, debris and exposed scrap* on his elevator property. An accepted clean up date has been extended to the 8<sup>th</sup> of August to have items cleaned up at both locations or the city has the right to come and clean up the violations.

Motion to approve the financial report and pay the monthly bills by Kasin seconded by Steckler. MCU.

Airborne \$1017.50; Cass Rural Water \$1769.95; Cardmember Services \$77.83; City of Fargo \$14; Cass County Reporter \$158.35; FMJ Electric \$551.48; KGR \$501.51; ND Sewage Pump and Lift \$20,914.80; ND One Call \$11.70; Team Lab \$914.00; Tim's Plumbing \$419; Ottertail \$218.87, \$1097.62; Waste Management \$2487; Wade's Service \$104.87; Payroll for Jager, Haseleu, Steckler, Kasin, Lawson, Andel, Richman and Howitz

Renaissance Zone renewal process expires in December a discussion was held regarding if the renewal process would be a benefit to the city in the long run. Moving forward if the choosing to move forward it will be 50% for 5 years. Council will do some research by contacting the county and state for more information.

Motion to arrange aerial spraying in preparation for the Shuffle off to Buffalo weekend events by Kasin, seconded by Steckler. MCU.

Motion to approve the special event wine and beer permit for Red Trail Vineyard at the 1916 Buffalo Historic School for a fee of \$25 on July 16<sup>th</sup> by Kasin, seconded by Steckler. MCU.

RV Park online reservation through Firefly Reservation has been live since July 7<sup>th</sup> and is working smoothly.

Motion to send James DeBoe \$125 refund for the week he left early by Kasin, seconded by Steckler. MCU.

Motion to table City Budget 2023 Approval until August meeting by Steckler, seconded by Haseleu. MCU.

Motion to accept 1<sup>st</sup> reading for Bulk Water Ordinance *Bulk water needs will require written* request at least 7 business day notice before potential bulk water fulfillment request to the city for potential city and Cass Rural Water approved by Steckler, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

Motion to accept 1<sup>st</sup> reading for Speed Limit Ordinance *encompassing a city-wide speed limit of* 15 MPH (other than Main St/Cass County 10) by Steckler, seconded by Haseleu. MCU.

Reviewed late SWG, no action will be taken at this time.

Next City Council Meeting is Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 PM.

Motion to adjourn at 8:18 PM by Kasin, seconded by Haseleu. MCU.

Harmony Richman, Auditor