City of Buffalo

City Council Meeting

May 9th, 2022

City Council Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM by Mayor Jager

Council members present; Mayor Jager, Steckler, Kasin, Lawson, Guests present: Auditor Richman, Jennifer Johnson and Craig Aldrich from Community Options of Fargo, Flint Kasowski, Kayla Lawson, Erik Gilbertson of Moore Engineering

Motion to approve minutes from April 11th by Steckler, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

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

Presentation provided by Jennifer Johnson and Craig Aldrich from Community Options – additional information can be found on their website www.communityoptionsnd.com or by stopping by the city office for a pamphlet.

Moore Engineering – discussion held regarding possibilities for why the lift pumps are continually having problems. Additional trouble shooting will happen on May 10th by HydroKlean.

Motion to approve HydroKlean to clean the pipeline by consecutively propelling cleaning pigs of increased size, stiffness and type until satisfactory results are achieved in the amount of \$2315.00 as well as any other associated costs with this cleaning by Steckler, seconded by Lawson. MCU

Motion to allow Moore Engineering to start the preliminary project specs and possible funding options to move forward with updating the main force pump in the amount of \$4000 by Steckler, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

JDA – Ernie land will have either a public hearing or use a special meeting to rezone the Ernie land to partial residential and partial commercial.

Park Board – gearing up for summer events at ball park

Library, Daycare, Historical Society – no updates

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

 Agri Valley Insurance \$3099; Buffalo Food Market \$70.28; BEK \$43.91; Cass Rural Water \$1779.96; Cardmember Services \$291.69; City of Fargo \$14; Cass County Reporter \$170.33; Dakota Industrial \$160; FMJ \$60; KGR \$45.77; Ottertail (RV) \$7.29; Ottertail \$1267.35; Waste Management \$2482; Xcel \$96.43; Payroll for Richman, Howitz, and Andel

Motion to approve hall rent waiver request for Buffalo Food Market Crock Pot Meals on May 17th by Lawson, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

Motion to declare a state of emergency due to natural disaster per statute by Kasin, seconded by Lawson. MCU.

Motion to purchase new Honda 2 in to replace the borrowed one from the Fire Department and Honda 3 general pumps to have on hand for the City in the amount of \$1341.60 by Kasin, seconded by Lawson. MCU.

Motion to approve the \$500 reducer for Cass Rural Water by Steckler, seconded by Lawson. MCU.

Motion to begin updating the Zoning ordinance Section 3 regarding hydrant bulk water usage outside of City or Fire Department usage by Kasin, seconded by Steckler. MCU.

Motion to start the process of a speed limit ordinance on side streets to be 15 MPH by Kasin, seconded by Lawson. MCU.

Motion to allot \$500 in stop sign purchases to place in high traffic areas by Lawson, seconded by Steckler. MCU.

Discussion held regarding rate increase at the RV Park to \$25/day, \$125/week and \$400/month with moving towards an online reservation and payment system.

Motion to start an online reservation and payment system for the RV Park pending buy in from Park Board by Kasin, seconded by Steckler.

Motion to purchase a new Bad Boy mower 72" mower through Wade's Service center in the amount of \$14,100 with an additional discount of trade in of \$1100 for current mower, use \$3000 from RV Park funding profits and finance the remaining from Bank North by Kasin, seconded by Steckler. MCU.

Motion to send junk ordinance letter to the 6 property violators once all photos have been received by auditor and follow ordinance.

Motion to send late SWG letters to accounts 45, 66, and 77 with shutting off water effective May 10th for account 126 by Steckler, seconded by Lawson. MCU.

Next City Council meeting is Monday, June 13th @ 6:30 PM.

Motion to adjourn at 8:23 PM by Steckler, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

Harmony Richman, Auditor