City of Buffalo

City Council Meeting

September 13th, 2021

Mayor Jager called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

Council members present; Mayor Jager, Dostert, Lawson, Steckler, Kasin; Guests present Marissa Manning, Mary Andel, Ariel Kreilkamp

Motion to approve minutes from August 9th, 2021 by Dostert, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

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

Deputy Lock was not at the meeting and Jim did not receive an email with the calls for service at the time of the meeting.

Moore Engineering – Cavin has completed the application for the State Revolving Fund Program, needs to be signed by Mayor Jager. This is set up in case of an emergency we would have access to this funding and is completed yearly.

Motion to approve and have mayor Jager sign the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund application in case of an emergency by Kasin seconded by Steckler. MCU.

Park Board – Mari sent an email stating the Park Board has removed 2 pine trees from city shelter near road, moving forward with re-doing the old "horseshoe park," cornhole boards are available to sign out. Need help taking down the welcome to buffalo flag and installing the RV park sign.

JDA, Library and Daycare – No updates

Historical Society- Annual meeting will be held on September 24th 2021. Pie and coffee will be served. Will need to fill 2 upcoming open positions on the board and ask that anyone interested contact Alan Dostert or Liane Stout for more information. Have requested a quote on a temporary patch/fix of the old stone church which will help deter and minimize the ability for skunks and other critters to get inside.

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

 BEK \$44.70; Cass Rural Water \$2646.28; Cardmember Services \$266.50; City of Fargo \$14; Cass County Reporter \$168.21; KGR \$123.62; ND Rural Water Association \$250; Ottertail \$302.74, \$943.30; Summit Fire \$165; Waste Management \$2482; ND One Call \$15.60; Xcel \$30; Payroll for: Andel, Howitz and Richman

Motion to approve Final 2022 City of Buffalo budget by Kasin, seconded by Dostert. MCU.

Motion to accept the American Rescue Plan Act distribution of federal fiscal recovery funding from the U.S. Department of Treasury by Kasin, seconded by Dostert. MCU.

Motion to approve the Aaron Haseleu Driveway extension variance at 302 Wilcox Ave by Kasin, seconded by Lawson. MCU

Garbage day has been officially changed to Friday Mornings instead of the current Monday Mornings. This will take affect as soon as this Friday. Flyers will be posted at the local businesses in town and brought to some people's homes who may not get out and about as easily so that they are aware also.

Discussion held to deliver a copy of the junk ordinance to the new citizen of Buffalo who just moved in. There is some concern about the number of vehicles appearing on the property over the past few weeks by community members.

Ariel with Spiffy Clips Mobile Pet Grooming came to request permission to host a Dog nail trimming clinic once a month for about 2 hours. She was seeking approval for parking at the park/baseball area. She was directed to the park board contact Mari Ketterer for approval but was also offered the ability to use the community center parking area if she would like.

Mary visited with the board about some needs of the community center. The big sink has a leak and the dishwasher isn't draining. Tim's Plumbing is going to come take a look at the sink and a different company was supposed to come take a look at the dishwasher. Mayor Jager discussed the possibility of needing to look at a new dishwasher since this one is old and may be unable to be fixed. He will know more after they come look at it. There was also discussion on people who are renting the community center or having their fee's waived by the city leaving messes and not cleaning up well afterwards and not taking good care of equipment such as coffee carafes and makers causing damage. It was discussed to think about enforcing the guidelines and fees for damage and clean up if this continues.

Next City Council meeting will be Monday, October 11th @ 6:30PM.

Motion to adjourn at 7:01 PM by Steckler, seconded by Lawson. MCU.

Harmony Richman, Auditor