

City of Buffalo

City Council Meeting

July 10th, 2023

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

Council members present; Mayor Jager, Kasin, Steckler, Haseleu, Lawson; Guests present: Hal Grieve, Anna Berger, Andrew Gubrud, Neil Hanson and Auditor Richman.

Motion to approve minutes from June 12th, 2023 by Steckler, seconded by Lawson. MCU.

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

Moore Engineering, Daycare, Historical Society, Library – no updates

JDA – the website content transfer is currently having

Park Board – will be hanging banners on Main Street, currently running Yard of the Week.

Presbyterian Church Parsonage: the house and the church share two lots that are north and south, but the church runs east and west. In order to sell the parsonage house needs to be replotted. Hal presented a new plot drawing provided by KLJ where the house lot obtains as much property as possible.

Motion to approve the replot at the Presbyterian church and parsonage of lots 4 & 5, block 10 with the proposed new Lot 1, Block 1 would be a lot size of 100' by 56.96; and the proposed new Lot 2, Block 1 would be a lot size of 100' by 83' with the inclusion of a variance in between the property of the parsonage and the church since the property wasn't split in half by Kasin, seconded by Steckler. MCU.

Gubrud and Berger are concerned with a high level of cats surrounding their property as a health hazard. A letter will be sent to Boyer's to request to have the animals contained by August 14th or the cats will be impounded, with a copy of the home-rule charter will be included in the letter and Cass County Sherriff will be notified.

Junk Ordinance

- Hanson was in attendance and addressed **junk and debris** on property located at the elevator property and **junk and debris** on property located at 604 Pearl St. Has not completed any efforts towards clean up. Accrual of \$500 has begun to be assessed and will continue to be assessed since June 26th until everything is cleaned up.
- Curfman property **dilapidated and dismantled vehicles in an unconcealed storage space, tires, paving bricks, hazardous materials, dismantled small engines, junk, garbage, and an excessive amount debris** A few vehicles have been removed and

junk/debris has started to be cleaned up. A \$500 assessment per day penalty has begun to accumulate since June 26th and will continue to accumulate until the remaining junk/debris has been cleaned up.

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

- Airborne Spraying \$1122.50; Agri Valley Insurance \$1540; BEK \$44.44; Cass Rural Water \$2270.45; Cardmember Services \$917.19; Cass County Reporter \$70.42; City of Fargo \$14; FMJ Electric \$135; Fat Man Trash \$6366.13; KGR \$1244.85; Kent Jensen \$550; ND Sewage and Lift \$918.75; Ottetail \$103.13; 1227.69; Team Lab \$400; Wade's Service \$80.85; Xcel \$70.70; Payroll for Jager, Kasin, Lawson, Steckler, Haseleu, Berger, Richman and Howitz

Reviewed late SWG – a no pre-dated check announcement will be sent to account # 126.

Motion to approve Dollars for Scholars Local Permit by Steckler, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

Discussion held regarding a noise ordinance within Buffalo. There is nothing currently in our ordinance; however, research will be conducted and brought to upcoming council meetings.

Announcement: Nite to Unite will be August 9th.

Next City Council Meeting is Monday, August 3rd @ 6:30 PM.

Motion to adjourn at 7:41 PM by Steckler, seconded by Lawson. MCU.

Harmony Richman, Auditor