City of Buffalo

City Council Meeting

June 12th, 2023

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

Council members present; Mayor Jager, Kasin, Steckler, Haseleu; Guests present: Kittie Curfman, Deputy Manning, Nick from Moore Engineering and Auditor Richman.

Motion to approve minutes from May 8th, 2023 by Steckler, seconded by Haseleu. MCU.

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

Deputy Manning covered 0 calls for service for March, 2 calls for service for April, and 6 calls for service in May.

Moore Engineering – Assessment committee will be meeting in the next couple of weeks to continue making progress as they look at many different avenues for assessment of options for cost fairness and benefit of sanitary improvements.

Junk Ordinance – Curfman was in attendance and addressed \**dilapidated and dismantled vehicles in an unconcealed storage space, tires, paving bricks, hazardous materials, dismantled small engines, junk, garbage, and an excessive amount debris\** on your property located at the 202 Front ST. Stated the Billy Von Bank will be in to take a couple of vehicles out of the way. Jay has moved the rocks out of the way.

Motion for property 202 Front St will have zero junk ordinance violations will be on June 26th, otherwise next legal steps will be taken including a $500 assessment per day penalty added and district court proceedings with Cass County by Steckler, seconded by Haseleu. MCU.

Junk Ordinance final notices will be sent to Hanson residence and Hanson Elevator for final clean up date of June 26th or next legal steps will be taken including a $500 assessment per day penalty added and district court proceedings with Cass County will begin.

Park Board – Jodi Combs has been appointed as the president.

JDA, Daycare, Historical Society, Library – no updates

Motion to approve Off Site Beer/Liquor Permit for Old 10 on the 14th of July at the 1916 Buffalo High School by Haseleu, seconded by Steckler. MCU.

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

* BEK $44.43; Buffalo Food Market $13.75, Cass Rural Water $2006.55; Cardmember Services $281.21; CC Steel $6389.24; City of Fargo $14; Cass County Reporter $228.10; FMJ Electric $95; Ferguson Waterworks $71.84; Fat Man Trash $3848.36; Dakota Industrial $82.50; KGR $195.03; Moore Engineering $4767.28; ND State Auditor $2650; Ohnstad Twichell $337.50; Ottertail $1464.97; Team Lab $900; Watersmith $630; Xcel $95.58 Payroll for Richman and Howitz

Motion to approve the 2021 Financial Statement by Steckler, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

Motion to approve the 2022 Financial Statement Transfer requests as stated by Kasin, seconded by Hasleu. MCU.

* $7838.30 from Sewer Fund to Emergency fund to balance the account to $0 from Emergency declaration from flooding which caused problems within the sewer system.
* $30,227.47 from GEN Fund to Municipal Highway Fund to balance the account to $0.
* $16,657.51 from GEN to RV Park Fund to create a new line item on the Financial Statement.
* $13,745.60 from GEN to SWG Fund to cover wages.
* $28,741.00 from Water Fund to Sewer Fund reflecting the Pumphouse payments collected.
* $92,262.98 from Sewer Fund to Sewer Rehab Debt Service Fund to create a new line item on the Financial Statement.

Motion to approve the 2022 Financial Statement draft by Kasin, Seconded by Steckler. MCU.

Motion to send a Junk Ordinance Final Violation letter to Curfman immediately by Stecker, seconded by Haseleu. MCU

Reviewed late SWG – letters will be included with next SWG billing cycle for those accounts who are behind.

Pumphouse – Jager will obtain some bids for cleaning maintenance on the pumphouse with frequency. More information will be gathered for the July or August meeting.

Motion to approve Hall Rent Waiver for Buffalo Food Market on June 21st by Steckler seconded by Kasin. MCU.

Motion to approve a $500 donation for fireworks and provide the internal funding for the purchase of fireworks by Kasin, seconded by Steckler. MCU.

Motion to support JDA with whatever website host they choose and for the City to pay for the website file transfer fees by Steckler, seconded by Kasin. MCU.

Next City Council Meeting is Monday, June 12th @ 6:30 PM.

Motion to adjourn at 8:03 PM by Haseleu, seconded by Steckler. MCU.

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Harmony Richman, Auditor