

# **New Buffalo Borough Meeting Minutes**

## **June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

### **Call to Order**

President Dan Balthaser called the meeting of the New Buffalo Borough Council to order at 7:03 p.m. on June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016, in the basement of the New Buffalo United Methodist Church.

### **Roll Call**

Present were council members: Dan Balthaser, Kim Balthaser and Michelle Shutt. The following persons were also present: Janice Crouse, Adam Pavusik, Jennifer Richard, Carol Holler, and John Kistler.

### **Reading of last Month's Minutes**

Upon motion of Michelle Shutt, seconded by Kim Balthaser, the May 2016 minutes were approved. All in favor none opposed.

### **Comments from Visitors**

No comments to report

### **Correspondence**

- Perry County Tax Claim Bureau
- Perry County Commissioners Grant
- Letter from Ralph Rudy

### **Borough Treasurer's Report**

Upon motion of Michelle Shutt, seconded by Kim Balthaser, the May 2016 Borough Treasurer Report was approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

### **Sewer Treasurer's Report**

Upon motion of Michelle Shutt, seconded by Kim Balthaser, the May 2016 Sewer Treasurer Report was approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **Sewage/Sewage Authority Report**

Adam gave his report from May. Walters came out at the beginning of the month to pump, there was an alarm issue caused by the lift station pump being over temperature, this was rectified and Skelly and Loy replaced the low water discharge pump.

The plant display screen is still broken, it remains operational but needs to be repaired or replaced. The one available used on Ebay was the incorrect model, so the broken one is going to be sent to Henry at Chromaglass to be repaired and reprogrammed. Upon motion of Kim

Balthaser, seconded by Michelle Shutt a \$900.00 repair cost limit has been set. All in favor none opposed.

**PCCOG - Dan Balthaser**

The May meeting was cancelled so nothing new to report.

**Beautification Committee**

There is nothing new to report.

**Street Committee – Kim Balthaser**

There is nothing new to report.

**Refuse Coordinator – Karen Ersoz**

The trash and garbage lying around seems to be a little better. Residents seem to be adhering to the CCD bag limit.

**Playground**

There is nothing new to report.

**Ordinance Violations**

Ordinance #01-2011 – Tabled until the spring (new construction, revised set back boundaries, etc.).

Borough Walk Through was held Tuesday April 19, at 6pm. Letters went out to all residents reminding them of the Ordinance guidelines and violation letters went out in the mail to only those residents who had violations noted during the walk through.

**Rental**

There is nothing new to report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Borough Bills**

Upon motion of Michelle Shutt, seconded by Kim Balthaser, the May 2016 Borough Bills were approved to be paid. All in favor none opposed.

**Sewer Bills**

Upon motion of Kim Balthaser, seconded by Michelle Shutt, the May 2016 Sewer Bills were approved to be paid. All in favor none opposed.

**Borough Council Open Seats**

There is currently one open seat on Borough Council. Dan is to post information in the Post Office and a notice went out with each Ordinance letter.

## **GOOD of the ORDER/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dan reviewed the EIT list from 2015

We are to bill Cory Engle for the dumpster he rents from the Borough. His last payment was in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2014. He was charged \$44.10 per month in 2014 and the price per month went up in 2015 to 46.66, for the dumpster; he is behind 20 months. The total due is \$972.18, this includes 3 months at \$44.10 and 17 months at \$46.66.

Dan received a letter from Watts Twp. in regards to them hooking up with the Sewer Plant. We would like to see them piggy back a fix and have them pay for their hookups and have it be part of the 537 plan. There is the possibility that a Sewer Authority would need to be established.

Atty. Shatto met with Mr. Brooks, he now has the info he needs for our case, the next step would be for us to hire an expert to come in and tell us that our system is faulty and not working properly.

## **ADJOURN**

Upon motion of Michelle Shutt, seconded by Kim Balthaser, all in favor, none opposed, council adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Richard  
Secretary/Treasurer