

New Buffalo Borough Meeting Minutes

October 10th, 2016

Call to Order

President Dan Balthaser called the meeting of the New Buffalo Borough Council to order at 7:01 p.m. on October 10th, 2016, in the basement of the New Buffalo United Methodist Church.

Roll Call

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

Reading of last Month's Minutes

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

Comments from Visitors

The potholes in the dirt ally between Gettles and Holler properties need to be filled.

Correspondence

The Municipal Lien paperwork is to be forwarded to Mr Shatto to file.

Borough Treasurer's Report

Upon motion of Michelle Shutt, seconded by Karen Ersoz, the September 2016 Borough Treasurer Report was approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

Sewer Treasurer's Report

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Sewage/Sewage Authority Report

Adam gave his report from August. We will need a new small pump; Adam is checking with Granger for prices. Standard operation of plant with no major issues, some minor alarms, contact tank pumped, cleaned flow meter. Low battery alarms, could be an old battery or the battery charger is having issues. New battery should be less than \$100.00 if battery is determined to be the issue.

PCCOG - Dan Balthaser

No meeting this month, next meeting in November.

Beautification Committee - There is nothing new to report.

Street Committee – Kim Balthaser - New stop signs to be installed.

Refuse Coordinator – Karen Ersoz

We are to issue a letter to Cory Engle “Dumpster will be removed due to non-payment” Give 15 days to make restitution before removal.

Playground

New trash can to be purchased for Playground, something with wheels.

Ordinance Violations

Ordinance #01-2011 – Tabled until the spring (new construction, revised set back boundaries, etc.). We are going to check with Mr. Bunt to see if we can use the County guidelines.

Ordinance violation update – Pictures to come and then we will issue additional letters.

Rental

The roof still needs to be cleaned off and the tree needs to be trimmed badly. Rain prevented work from being completed.

NEW BUSINESS

2017 Borough Budget

Reviewed proposed budget and made changes for next month.

Borough Bills

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

Sewer Bills

Upon motion of Kim Balthaser, seconded by Karen Ersoz, the September 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.

GOOD of the ORDER/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ralph requests that the house across the street be cleaned up along with the stuff on George Lowes property.

Dan attended the FEMA meeting, there were some small revisions to the flood plain that affected New Buffalo Borough, there are now some areas along the creek that are no longer in the flood plain.

ADJOURN

Upon motion of Michelle Shutt, seconded by Kim Balthaser, all in favor, none opposed, council adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Richard
Secretary/Treasurer