

New Buffalo Borough Meeting Minutes October 8, 2018

Call to Order

President Dan Balthaser called the meeting of the New Buffalo Borough Council to order at 7:00pm on October 8, 2018, in the basement of the New Buffalo United Methodist Church.

Roll Call

Present were council members: Dan Balthaser, Karen Ersoz and Mike Holler. The following persons were also present: Jessica Ibaugh, Joe Kistler, Carol Holler, Emma Holler and Adam Pavusik.

Reading of last Month's Minutes

Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Karen Ersoz, the September 2018 minutes were approved. All in favor none opposed.

Comments from Visitors-

Correspondence

-Liquid Fuels 2019

Borough Treasurer's Report

Upon motion of Karen Ersoz, seconded by Mike Holler, the October 2018 Borough Treasurer Report was approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

Sewer Treasurer's Report

Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Karen Ersoz, the October 2018 Sewer Treasurer Report was approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Sewage/Sewage Authority Report

Adam-9/11 pulled and cleaned DO meter float. 9/20 cleaned chlorine tank. 9/22 cable for electric hoist broke. 10/5 retrieved basket from lift station. 10/8 repaired hoist and replaced cable on mechanical wench. Will need Walters later this week, early next week.

-Adam to call about stone.

-Lost pump # 2 in train 1, there is a dead short somewhere. Adam has not yet replaced the pump yet. Stan to schedule service for train 2 in case we need it as a back up.

-Adam needs a new pump and gloves ordered.

-Adam contacted Cocalamus about garbage at sewer plant, they stated pick up for that location slipped through the cracks.

Sewage Solicitor-Dennis Shatto-Borough is in need of rules and regulations for new sewer connection and reconnection fees, etc. Council to review copy of another municipality's sewer rules and regulations.

-Proceed with sheriff sale for Engle and Miller properties with a deposit for the sale from the sewer account, also proceed with liens for Wiltsie and Mavropolus properties, motion by Karen Ersoz, seconded by Mike Holler, all in favor none opposed.

PCCOG-Dan Balthaser – Dan went to meeting, there was discussion to try and ban municipalities together to purchase items to save money.

Street Committee – Kim Balthaser – Dan talked to Cleck they are supposed to pave this week. Dan asked Cleck to give pricing on additional areas on Mill street that need addressed, for \$1000 Cleck will grind blacktop off trouble areas and put patch on. Motion to include 5 grind and patch areas on Mill street for \$1000 by Mike Holler, seconded by Karen Ersoz, all in favor none opposed.

-Karen has hole in front of her driveway; Joe can fix with patch.

-Motion for Joe to clean out detention drain on High street next to Ibaugh's property by Karen Ersoz, seconded by Mike Holler, all in favor none opposed.

Refuse Coordinator – Karen Ersoz –

Playground –

Ordinance Violations- Ask attorney about abandoned cars on properties.

–Karen, Dan and Mike to go around the borough on October 17th at 6pm to inspect properties for violation.

Rental -Leak at 168 Old trail road property under the sink. Needed a new basket strainer.

Adam met the new tenant in 170 old trail road property. He will change the water filter inside the man hole for that property.

-170 Old trail road property, receiving payment from new tenant for trailer and separate payment from Kelly for the storage unit. Adam to disconnect electric to the storage unit.

-Storage unit to be without power.

-Need agreement between borough and new tenants (Milligans). Bring least to next meeting for review.

-Need to make accommodations for parking at trailer so there is access to sewer plant.

-Motion to stone area at the trailer for two parking spots by Karen Ersoz, seconded by Mike Holler, all in favor none opposed.

-Adam to rent the storage unit previous rented by Carol Holler for \$85 a month.

NEW BUSINESS

Borough Bills

Upon motion of Karen Ersoz, seconded by Mike Holler, the October 2018 Borough Bills, were approved to be paid. All in favor none opposed.

Sewer Bills

Upon motion of Karen Ersoz, seconded by Mike Holler, the October 2018 Sewer Bills were approved to be paid. All in favor none opposed. Motion to amend the October 2018 Sewer Bills by Mike Holler, seconded by Karen Ersoz, all in favor none opposed.

Borough Council Open Seats

There is currently one open seat on the Borough Council. Requirements of a Council Member - Must be a Borough Resident for at least 1 year and must be a registered voter.

GOOD of the ORDER/ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURN

Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Karen Ersoz, all in favor, none opposed, council adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jessica Ibaugh
Secretary/Treasurer