

New Buffalo Borough Meeting Minutes December 10, 2018

Call to Order

President Dan Balthaser called the meeting of the New Buffalo Borough Council to order at 7:00pm on December 10, 2018, in the basement of the New Buffalo United Methodist Church.

Roll Call

Present were council members: Dan Balthaser, Kim Balthaser, Mike Holler, Karen Ersoz.

The following persons were also present: Jessica Ibaugh, Joe Kistler, Emma Holler and Adam Pavusik.

Reading of last Month's Minutes

Upon motion of Kim Balthaser, seconded by Karen Ersoz, the November 2018 minutes were approved. All in favor none opposed.

Comments from Visitors

Correspondence

-Perry County Assesment-2019 Municipal Per Capita Tax Rate

*Motion to increase fire tax from .5 to .75 by Karen Ersoz, seconded by Mike Holler, all in favor none opposed.

-PIRMA Annual Election-Motion to elect Kimberly and Nevin by Karen Ersoz, seconded by Kim Balthaser, all in favor none opposed.

-Skelly & Loy 2019 Operation Services

*Motion to retain Skelly & Loy in 2019 for professional waste water operation service at \$1475 a month, by Kim Balthaser, seconded by Mike Holler, all in favor none opposed.

Borough Treasurer's Report

Upon motion of Karen Ersoz, seconded by Kim Balthaser, the December 2018 Borough Treasurer Report was approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

Sewer Treasurer's Report

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Sewage/Sewage Authority Report

Adam-11/14 replaced pump 2 train 1 and pumps 2, 3 and 4 train 2. 11/26 bought material from Lowes to replace faucet that froze. 11/27 met Walters. 11/28 met Skelly & Loy to dig up sink hole and discovered that there was already prior repair to the same sink hole. New hole washed out by existing concrete. Dug down 6ft and backfilled with stone. Dug up and repaired frost free faucet. Dug by hand around exposed pipes and insulated before covering with stone. Discovered water shut off valve and pipe leading to valve were never put to the surface and brought them up. Also spread stone for tenants parking lot .12/4 set up samplers. 12/8 heater in control

room failed. *Motion to purchase a new heater by Mike Holler, seconded by Kim Balthaser, all in favor none opposed.

-Adam did not yet get lime and also needs 2 more pumps to repair train 2. Dan to order 2 pumps.

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.

-*Motion to sheriff sale Mavropolus and redo lien before sale by Kim Balthaser, seconded by Karen Erson, all in favor none opposed.

PCCOG-Dan Balthaser

Street Committee – Kim Balthaser –

Refuse Coordinator – Karen Ersoz –

Playground –

Ordinance Violations-

Rental –Adam Pavusik removed power to storage unit. Also needs to change water filters in both units.

-Move \$695.06 from rental to sewer account to pay for stone from Pennsy Supply for tenants driveway originally paid for from the sewer account.

NEW BUSINESS

Borough Bills

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

Sewer Bills

Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Karen Ersoz, the December 2018 Sewer Bills were approved to be paid. 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

-Junior Council person can only be High School and College students.

-The borough has two rental properties that do not pay towards the sewer, and have not had to move any money from the rental to the sewer account to get out of the negative in the past year. *Motion to transfer \$2400 from rental to sewer account for

12 months of sewer payments for each property by Kim Balthaser, seconded by Karen Ersoz, all in favor none opposed.

-Recognize Dan and Karen for PSAB awards application.

-Karen went to CAPTAX and asked what they base the local taxes on. There is a code for the community if the residents are reporting it to their employers correctly. Landlords should submit a list of tenants when they move in and out so that the borough has an accurate record of who lives there. Need to develop a letter to be sent to all landlords requesting this information.

-*Motion to advertise 2019 meeting dates by Mike Holler, seconded by Karen Ersoz, all in favor none opposed.

-Advertise December 27th budget meeting at 7 pm.

Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Kim Balthaser, all in favor, none opposed, council adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jessica Ibaugh
Secretary/Treasurer