

New Buffalo Borough Meeting Minutes February 11, 2019

Call to Order

President Dan Balthaser called the meeting of the New Buffalo Borough Council to order at 7:00pm on February 11, 2019, in the basement of the New Buffalo United Methodist Church.

Roll Call

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

The following persons were also present: Jessica Ibaugh, Ted Engle, Cory Engle and Adam Pavusik.

Reading of last Month's Minutes

Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Kim Balthaser, the January 14, 2019 minutes were approved. All in favor none opposed.

Comments from Visitors

Cory Engle-Need stone behind and in front of Pizza Shop.

Correspondence

-Cocolamus

-Perry County Voter Registration-Add Mike Holler -Perry Counting Electronics Recycling

Borough Treasurer's Report

Upon motion of Kim Balthaser, seconded by Mike Holler, the February 2019 Borough Treasurer Report was approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

Sewer Treasurer's Report

Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Kim Balthaser, the February 2019 Sewer Treasurer Report was approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Sewage/Sewage Authority Report

Adam-1/15 set up sampler. 1/19 solids split, had issues with bacteria due to fluctuation in weather. 1/22 set up sampler. 1/23 bought lime. 1/24 low water level. 1/25 & 26 new faucet that was just installed was frozen. 1/31 smelled like detergent. 2/1 ordered chlorine. 2/3 low clarifier, float failure. 2/6 set up sampler.

-Adam leaving for Florida for at least 4 days this month and also surgery on 2/27, Stan providing coverage for plant.

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.

-Come to an agreement to retro Cory to 2013-prepare amendment to ordinance to make a category for "part time" restaurants. Ask Cory how many seats he has to add to ordinance.

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*Motion to give Rachel Miller one month to make a \$200 payment, if no payment is received have Dennis pursue a revised lien and sheriff sale, by Kim Balthaser, seconded by Mike Holler, all in favor none opposed.

-Received a letter from Ralph Halter stating we reduced other properties sewer rates and asked for a reduction for his unoccupied property. Create letter stating the special circumstances for these reductions and have Dennis review.

PCCOG-Dan Balthaser –Meeting this Thursday, Dan to attend.

Street Committee – Kim Balthaser –

Refuse Coordinator – Karen Ersoz – Cory would like Cocolamus to include dumpster for businesses next time garbage contract is negotiated.

Playground –

Ordinance Violations- Send letter to Pat Keilhofer about ordinance violation for trash in back yard.

Rental –

NEW BUSINESS

Borough Bills

Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Kim Balthaser, the February 2019 Borough Bills, were approved to be paid. All in favor none opposed.

Sewer Bills

Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Kim Balthaser, the February 2019 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

-Pending Resolution by Dennis for modification of the sewer ordinance- It was discussed that the sewer rate of any restaurant open less than 42 hours per week with seating not more than 30 with a grease trap would be billed at 1 EDU. Any full time restaurant open more than 42 hours per week with seating of more than 30 with a grease trap would be billed at 1.5 EDU, any restaurant without a grease trap would be billed an additional .25 EDU.

*Motion to reduce Millies Pizza to 1 EDU for a part time restaurant with a grease trap and retro this credit back to November 2013 by Kim Balthaser, seconded by Mike Holler, all in favor none opposed.

This is the date Cory provided proof of the purchase of a grease trap for Millies. After the credit amount is determined a check will be cut to Cory for this amount.

Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Kim Balthaser, all in favor, none opposed, council adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jessica Ibaugh- Secretary/Treasurer