

New Buffalo Borough Meeting

Minutes April 8, 2019

Call to Order

President Dan Balthaser called the meeting of the New Buffalo Borough Council to order at 7:00pm on April 8, 2019, in the basement of the New Buffalo United Methodist Church.

Roll Call

Present were council members: Dan Balthaser, Kim Balthaser, Karen Ersoz and Mike Holler. The following persons were also present: Jessica Ibaugh, Joe Kistler, Ralph Rudy Jr, Jessica Derendinger and Adam Pavusik.

Reading of last Month's Minutes

Upon motion of Kim Balthaser, seconded by Mike Holler, the March 11, 2019 minutes were approved. All in favor none opposed.

Comments from Visitors

- Rudy concerned about the timeline of the rate reduction for the properties at 12, 14, 16 N Front Street, 1a Walnut Street and also to inquire about the resolution to reduce sewer for "part time" restaurants.
- Derendinger concerned about the amount of traffic going over the speed limit and running stop signs.

Correspondence

- Community Roots through PPL
- Proxy Ballot PLGIT

Borough Treasurer's Report

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- FEMA Ordinance-*Motion to adopt FEMA ordinance by Kim Balthaser, seconded by Mike Holler, abstained by Karen Ersoz, all the rest in favor.

Sewage/Sewage Authority Report

Adam-3/12 Set up the sampler. 3/13 Cleaned pumps 2 and 3. 3/19 Set up samplers. 3/21 Set up samplers. 3/26 Smelled like detergent. 3/27 Met Stan and did a confined space entry on system # 2 to clean screen and then on train # 1, needed Walters to pump. 3/28 Walters pumped. Stan entered system and power sprayed and cleaned fibers. Walters pumped again, switched from train 1 to train 2. Added dog food and bacteria. 3/29 Added dog food and bacteria. 3/30 Added dog food and bacteria.

- Adam needs thick and thin gloves, needs dumpster empties, need ammonia test kits and test kits to do nitrates and nitrites tests.

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.

-Next Sale July 26th, have Dennis update lien including attorney and collection fees.

PCCOG-Dan Balthaser – Next meeting in May.

Street Committee – Kim Balthaser – Mike Holler stated that Kyle Smithgall came to him and asked if it was ok to put stone in ally by the property at 12 N Front street.

Refuse Coordinator – Karen Ersoz –

Playground –

Ordinance Violations-

Rental –

NEW BUSINESS

-Renew PPL Electric Rates through APPI-*Motion to accept APPI's proposal by Karen Ersoz, seconded by Kim Balthaser, all in favor none opposed.

Borough Bills

Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Karen Ersoz, the April 2019 Borough Bills, were approved to be paid. All in favor none opposed.

Sewer Bills

Upon motion of Kim Balthaser, seconded by Mike Holler, the April 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

Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Kim Balthaser, all in favor, none opposed, council adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jessica Ibaugh- Secretary/Treasurer