

## **New Buffalo Borough Meeting Minutes October 11, 2021**

### **Call to Order**

President Dan Balthaser called the meeting of the New Buffalo Borough Council to order at 7:00pm on October 11, 2021 in the basement of the New Buffalo United Methodist Church.

### **Roll Call**

Present were council members: Dan Balthaser, Kim Balthaser, Mike Holler, Adam Pavusik and Jessica Ibaugh. The following persons were also present: Joe Kistler and Martha Roberts-Chair PCEDA.

### **Reading of last Month's Minutes**

Upon motion of Adam Pavusik, seconded by Mike Holler, the September 2021 minutes were approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

**Comments from Visitors-**Martha from PCEDA stated that the project for downtown revitalization is coming to an end and that an application was submitted to DCED for the Main Street program. There is to be a bus trip on November 10<sup>th</sup> to look at towns that are already in the Main Street program to get ideas for everyone if the county's application is approved. DCED also supplied feedback on how to tweak applications for acceptance, so in regards to this PCEDA is resubmitting the multi-modal transportation grant letter.

### **Correspondence**

#### **Borough Treasurer's Report**

-Upon motion of Adam Pavusik, seconded by Mike Holler, the October 2021 Borough Treasurer Report was approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

#### **Sewer Treasurer's Report**

- Upon motion of Kim Balthaser, seconded by Mike Holler, the October 2021 Sewer Treasurer Report was approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **Sewage/Sewage Authority Report**

Adam-Most of the month was smooth. Slight overflow from it raining for a couple of days straight. Adam had to repair propane copper line do to it being damaged from the shrub removal. Adam also tested the generator to make sure it is in working condition. Was on vacation a couple days this past month so there will be additional out of scope from Skelly and Loy. Need to purchase lime. Need to have Walters haul sludge. Need a replacement extension cord for the one that was melted from the lightning strike. Need weed killer. Need new hoses for pumps. With winter need to discuss purchasing a snowblower.

**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.

-Have Dennis sent letter to Kemrer if sewer is not paid.

**PCCOG-Dan Balthaser** – Meeting in November.

**Street Committee – Kim Balthaser** – Reach out to guardrail companies to get estimates.

## **Refuse Coordinator – Karen Ersoz –**

### **Playground –**

**Ordinance Violations-** Fence ordinance.

Fireworks-To enforce illegal fireworks usage in the borough, but would need to have an ordinance to enforce and pictures and or video to cite.

The borough is interested in possibly retaining Steele for Firework enforcement. Need to find out additional information before a decision is to be made.

**Rental** – Kelly has removed all items from her storage unit. Adam to get a no trespassing sign and screw the door to the rental unit shut.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

-Snowblower \*Motion to authorize Adam to purchase a new snowblower under \$1100.00 by Mike Holler, seconded by Kim Balthaser, all in favor none opposed.

-Plowing \*Motion to contract with Yard of Dreams to plow in the borough for the 2021/2022 season by Adam Pavusik, seconded by Kim Balthaser, all in favor none opposed.

-Stone Culvert \*Motion to contract with Joseph Sobolewski to fix stone culvert on High and Walnut Streets for \$280 by Adam Pavusik, seconded by Kim Balthaser, all in favor none opposed.

### **Borough Bills**

-Upon motion of Kim Balthaser, seconded by Adam Pavusik, the October 2021 Borough Bills were approved to be paid as presented. All in favor none opposed.

### **Sewer Bills**

-Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Kim Balthaser, the October 2021 Sewer Bills were approved to be paid as presented. All in favor none opposed.

### **GOOD of the ORDER/ANNOUNCEMENTS ADJOURN**

-Review Budget

Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Kim Balthaser, all in favor, none opposed, council adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jessica Ibaugh- Secretary/Treasurer