**New Buffalo Borough Meeting Minutes**

**March 10, 2014**

**Call to Order**

President Dan Balthaser called the meeting of the New Buffalo Borough Council to order at: 7:00p.m. on March 10, 2014, in the New Buffalo United Methodist Church.

**Roll Call**

Present were council members: Dan Balthaser, Kim Balthaser, Michelle Shutt and Karen Ersoz.

The following persons were also present: Adam Pavusik, Ted Engle.

**Reading of last Month’s Minutes**

Upon motion of Michelle Shutt, seconded by Karen Ersoz, the minutes were approved as corrected. All in favor, none opposed.

**Comments From Visitors**

**Correspondence**

**Borough Treasurer’s Report**

Upon motion of Karen Ersoz, seconded by Kim Balthaser, none opposed, the March 2014 Treasurer Report was approved as presented. All in favor, none opposed.

**Sewer Treasurer’s Report**

Upon motion of Karen Ersoz, seconded by Michelle Shutt, none opposed, the March 2014 Treasurer Report was approved as presented. All in favor, none opposed.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Sewage/Sewage Authority Report**

Adam presented copies of the 2013 Chapter 94 Reports prepared by Skelly and Loy to be submitted to DEP by the end of March. The invoice for preparation of the report has not been received yet. Winter weather has caused problems as well as something being introduced into system causing foaming 3 to 4 feet (usually appears on the weekends) and also killing off the bugs. We lost another pump, pump 4 on Train 2, Adam is not sure at this time what actually caused the pump to fail. The replacement cost will be approx. $700. Of the 24 total pumps in the system, 1 sludge tank pump, pump 2 on Train 1 and pump 4 on Train 2, (all 1hp) possible the pump 7 Train 1 1/3hp have needed repaired/replaced since the beginning of the plant’s operations.

The placement of a screen in the distribution box part of the system to reduce the fiber inflow would help to reduce operation costs.

A motion to file the unpaid civil suite judgments awarded to New Buffalo Borough at the Perry County Prothonotary Office by Kim Balthaser, seconded by Michelle Shutt. All in favor, none opposed.

**PCCOG**

Dan Balthaser was unable to attend meeting.

**Beautification Committee**

Nothing to Report.

**Street Committee**

Kim Balthaser will be the Council member serving as coordinator.

**Refuse Coordinator**

Karen Ersoz will be the Council member serving as coordinator.

**Playground**

Nothing to report. Table until spring.

**Ordinance Violations**

Ordinance #01-2011 – Tabled (new construction, etc..)

The issue of large amounts of garbage in resident’s yards needs to be addressed. The council will review the relevant ordinance and determine how to enforce the issue before a letter is sent out to inform residents in violation.

**Rental**

Nothing new to report.

**Watts Township**

The Borough’s responsibility of planting along boundary line will be addressed in the spring.

**Borough Bills**

Upon motion of Karen Ersoz, seconded by Kim Balthaser, all in favor, none opposed, the Borough bill list with the addition of the Amity Enterprises bill for snow plowing was approved for payment.

**Sewer Bills**

Upon motion of Karen Ersoz, seconded by Michelle Shutt, all in favor, none opposed, the Sewer bill list was approved for payment.

**GOOD of the ORDER/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ADJOURN**

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

Respectfully submitted by Judy Parrish

Secretary/Treasurer