

New Buffalo Borough Meeting Minutes July 11th, 2022

Call to Order

President Dan Balthaser called the meeting of the New Buffalo Borough Council to order at 7:00pm on July 11th, 2022 in the basement of the New Buffalo United Methodist Church.

Roll Call

Present were council members: Dan Balthaser, Adam Pavusik, Kim Balthaser, Mike Holler, and Jessica Ibaugh. The following persons were also present: Joe Kistler, Mike Lowe, Corey Wiltsie, Lloyd Loudon

Reading of last Month's Minutes

Upon motion of Mike Holler, seconded by Kim Balthaser, the June 2022 minutes were approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

Comments from Visitors- Corey Wiltsie is concerned about three trees that boarder the alley close to his property. The limbs have matured and are touching his roof. He is questioning whether the trees are the boroughs responsibility or the property owners? Dan to take a look at the trees in question on Peach alley. Lloyd Loudon-46 Front street property-stated that BIU visited property. Would like to possibly run electric and sewer to shed in back of property and would like to know what the sewer costs for that would be. 16 Front Street property-would like to know where all four sewer connections are located. Adam to pull prints to find location of connections. Asked about putting travel trailers on property temporarily to try and recoup some money until he decided on what he permanently wanted to do with the property.

Residents around New Buffalo have been questioning work being done in borough and whether or not it is permitted. Dan did contact BIU and informed them about work being done at different properties. Borough to send letter to BIU about different construction projects in town.

Mike Lowe-Asking what the policy is on fireworks in the Borough? Dan-According to the State Police it is illegal within 150ft of any structure, and if you call them they may or may not be able to come investigate the situation. IF you take video of the firework use in action and are willing to testify they will most likely press charges.

Correspondence-

Borough Treasurer's Report

-Upon motion of Adam Pavusik, seconded by Kim Balthaser, the July 2022 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 July 2022 Sewer Treasurer report was approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Sewage/Sewage Authority Report

Adam-System ran well. Did have one failure on back wash pump pipe that had to be repaired. Will need to haul sludge in the next two weeks. -Need to order Chlorine again.

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.

PCCOG-pan Balthaser – Nothing until September.

Street Committee - Kim Balthaser – Some potholes were patched on Front Street, used all of the patch that was ordered.

Refuse coordinator –

Playground -

Ordinance Violations-

Rental -

NEW BUSINESS

-*Motion to appoint PESI to do a user rate analysis for our sewer system - by Kim Balthaser, seconded by Adam Pavusik all in favor none opposed.

Borough Bills

-Upon motion of Adam Pavusik, seconded by Mike Holler the July 2022 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 July 2022 Sewer Bills were approved to be paid as presented. All in favor none opposed.

GOOD of the ORDER/ANNOUNCEMENTS ADJOURN

Upon motion of Adam Pavusik, seconded Kim Balthaser, all in favor, none opposed, council adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jessica Ibaugh- Secretary/Treasurer