

New Buffalo Borough Meeting Minutes December 9, 2024

Call to Order

Secretary Jessica Ibaugh called the meeting of the New Buffalo Borough Council to order at 7:05 pm on December 9, 2024 in the basement of the New Buffalo United Methodist Church.

Roll Call

Present were council members: Adam Pavusik, Jason Foster, Mike Holler, Irene Conjar, Troy O'Neil, and Jessica Ibaugh. The following persons were also present: Chris Deiter, Don McClure, Joe Kistler

Reading of last Month's Minutes

Upon motion of Irene Conjar, seconded by Troy O'Neil the November 2024 minutes were approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

Comments from Visitors - Chris Deiter from the New Buffalo Fire Co is asking up to consider raising our Fire Tax to help fund the Fire Co. Council is in favor of a raise, but do not believe one can be made till the new tax year.

Correspondence-

Borough Treasurer's Report

-Upon motion Jason Foster seconded by Mike Holler, the December 2024 Borough Treasurer report was approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

Sewer Treasurer's Report

- Upon motion of Irene Conjar seconded by Troy O'Neil, the December 2024 Sewer Treasurer report was approved as presented. All in favor none opposed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Sewage/Sewage Authority Report

Adam – 11/18 – Tested heater and it failed, so had to be replaced. 11/20 Installed new heater. 11/25 Purchased lyme. 12/1 High level situation. 12/3 Level went down. 12/4 High level again. 3-way valve making noise, cycled and noise stopped. 12/5 High level again. Pipes must have frozen where they come out of the ground under the shed. 12/6 Little bit of overflow around two lids. Stan replaced bulb in heat lamp under shed so pipes would not freeze again. Everything went back to normal after.

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.
-Look for new solicitor

EMC- Next meeting Jan.

PCCOG –

Street Committee – Need to install new Stop Sign. Send email to state representative office about sound barrier.

*Motion to have Jared Smithgall plow for the 2024-2025 winter season per prices submitted, first by Troy O'Neil, seconded by Mike Holler, all in favor none opposed.

Refuse coordinator –

Playground – - Camera to be installed.

Ordinance Violations- Zoning

Rental – Residents at trailer blocking access to plant. Sent a message to Milligan to notify occupants of trailer to park elsewhere.

*Motion to transfer \$2400 from rental to sewer for 2024 sewer payments for both rental properties, first by Mike Holler, seconded by Jason Foster, all in favor none opposed.

NEW BUSINESS-

-Budget - *Motion to finalize 2025 General and Sewer budget, approved by Jason Foster, seconded by Irene Conjar, all in favor none opposed.

-2024 Audit - *Motion for Perfect Cents (Phyllis Krieger) to perform 2024 Audit, first by Irene Conjar, seconded by Troy O'Neil, all in favor none opposed.

Borough Bills

-Upon motion of Jason Foster seconded by Irene Conjar, the December 2024 Borough Bills were approved to be paid as presented. All in favor none opposed.

Sewer Bills

-Upon motion of Troy O'Neil, seconded by Jason Foster, the December 2024 Sewer Bills were approved to be paid as presented. All in favor none opposed.

GOOD of the ORDER/ANNOUNCEMENTS ADJOURN

Upon motion of Troy O'Neil seconded by Irene Conjar, all in favor none opposed,
council adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jessica Ibaugh- Secretary/Treasurer