

March 14, 2001

The City Council of Buffalo, IA, met in special session on Wednesday, March 14, 2001, at 5:01 p.m. at City Hall with Mayor Hoover presiding. Councilmembers present were Greer, Kimes, Roe, Sheeder and Teel. Purpose of the special meeting was a public hearing to approve the fiscal 2002 budget and other items.

Mayor declared the meeting open for comments for or against approval of the proposed budget. There were no comments from the two residents in the audience. Motion was made by Roe and Sheeder to approve Resolution #10-2001, "A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSED FISCAL 2001-2002 BUDGET". Voting yes were Kimes, Roe, Teel, Sheeder and Greer. Motion carried.

There was discussion of abolishing the weekly typed reports from the Public Works Director, Dwain Bollman. Roe proposed that getting rid of these reports will allow more time for Bollman to spend more time outside on other jobs. As he gives a monthly report to the Council once a month, these are duplicated. Motion was made by Roe and Sheeder to have the ordinance revised to delete this from the job description. All ayes. Carried. This will be referred to the Ordinance Committee meeting on March 19.

There was discussion on building permits at Camp Abe Lincoln. Our building inspector said he was told by the contractor doing a project at the camp that he had an agreement worked out with an official and he was exempt from paying the permit. The one permit in question was for their new pool. Zuber said he was going on what the person told him. He also said there would be no fees for a lot of the work, because its not covered under the fee schedule. Council said no one person can give permission to waive building permit fees, and this should have been brought before the full Council. Mayor said he knows he cannot waive building permit fees, and they will have to pay something. Council told Zuber to issue a stop work order until it is straightened out. Zuber said he would do that, but he would also resign at that time, as its not right to halt a construction job in progress with the weather as it is, and for the misunderstanding of the permit. Council decided not to issue the stop work order. Motion was made by Teel and Roe to table this item until the April 02 meeting and request the contractor superintendent to attend the meeting and discuss this with the Mayor and Council. All voted aye. Carried.

Mayor called for a motion to close the public hearing. Motion made by Teel and Greer to close the public hearing. Voting yes were Greer, Kimes, Roe, Teel and Sheeder. Carried.

Public input was asked for. Bill McCullough, City Attorney, said he had read in the minutes that he charges for phone calls. He said he has never charged the City for phone calls. The minutes will be corrected at the April meeting.

Motion was made by Roe and Sheeder to adjourn the meeting at 5:36 p.m. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Signed: David Kimes
David Kimes, Mayor ProTem, Buffalo, IA

Attest: Carol A. Bernauer
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Buffalo, IA