

April 16, 2001

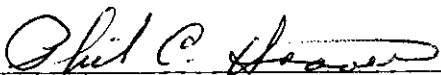
The City Council of Buffalo, IA, met in emergency session on Monday, April 16, 2001, at 6:00 p.m. at the Buffalo Fire Station with Mayor Hoover presiding. Councilmembers present were Greer, Kimes, Roe, Sheeder and Teel. Purpose of the special emergency session was to inform the residents of the rapidly rising water that will become a flood in a few days. Mayor turned the meeting over to Dwain Bollman, Public Works Director. Bollman has hired a private contractor to begin hauling in large loads of sand today and we have ordered a large amount of sandbags and plastic. Today we began handing out free sandbags to residents on a limited basis until we get a shipment in tomorrow. These sandbags were leftovers from 1997 and were stored in the basement and had to be carried upstairs to City Hall, and that is the reason they were given out on a limited basis. There were several rolls of plastic left, but they also had to be carried up and given out on a limited basis until more was received, in order to be fair to everyone that would be needing it.


Roe and Greer voted, along with the rest of the Council, to have Bollman order more plastic at a cost of \$41.00 per roll. A gentleman from the Corps of Engineers told the residents to install the plastic on the river side of their dike to hold out any water that may find its way thru the smallest hole in the sandbag dike. He said the base of the dike should be a minimum of three (3) times as wide as the height. The crest should arrive around April 25.

Lynn Kinkennon of the Buffalo Community Center Commission told everyone that the Buffalo Post Office and the Buffalo Savings Bank will be using the Community Center building as a relocation point when the water gets up to a certain level in the street.

Many residents and business owners were present to ask questions of Bollman and the Council. Everyone was told to leave their names and addresses with the City Clerk to get on a list for sand deliveries beginning tomorrow. City Clerk Carol Bernauer told them she would go to City Hall to give out more bags tonight and whatever else was available.

Motion was made by Roe and Sheeder to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

Signed: 
Phil C. Hoover, Mayor, Buffalo, IA

Attest: 
Carol A. Bernauer, City Clerk, Buffalo, IA