

June 11, 2003

The City Council of Buffalo, IA, met in regular session on June 11, 2003, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall with Mayor Ted Teel presiding. Councilmembers present were Dana Smith, Cathy Stowe and Betty Walters. Absent, Kent Roe and Larry Thein. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Motion was made by Stowe, seconded by Walters to approve the minutes of May 05 and May 29. All ayes. Motion Carried. Absent, Roe and Thein.

Motion was made by Stowe, seconded by Walters to approve payment of the listed bills. Voting yes, Smith, Walters and Stowe. Motion Carried. Absent, Roe and Thein.

Public input was asked for by Mayor Ted Teel. He stated this is our first meeting with our first public input at the top, anyone has anything to say that may not be on the agenda or anything in general they want to say, they can have 1½ minutes. I will recognize each and everyone and it will be limited to that amount of time. Diana Stowe had great concerns again about the tenant landlord ordinance and not receiving all the ordinances that she requested in writing 1½ years ago when this subject came up. Also, concerns about receiving a certified letter they received on their property on Clark Street for cleaning up. Items were missed on clean up week and talked to public works about it. Pointed out other properties that need to be cleaned up around town. Would like to have a landlord packet or something made up to give landlords. Judy Hammons had concerns about why we haven't done anything with the new school building. Would like to see it being utilized. Dorothy Adams from the Historical Society has the same concerns. Who gets which rooms, when can they move in, who is going to clean the rooms and who do you go to with problems. This item is on the agenda to be talked about.

Motion was made by Walters, seconded by Stowe to close the regular meeting at 6:08 p.m. and open to a public hearing for plans and specification for form of contract and estimated costs for Hacker Street Project. Voting yes, Smith, Walters and Stowe. Motion Carried. Absent, Roe and Thein. Leo Foley, City Engineer, need to set another date for a public hearing. Legally since we didn't have the public hearing on June 2 and it was put in the newspaper for that time, we need to set a public hearing at a council meeting, put it back in the newspaper and have another hearing. Going to set it for July 7th, the first council meeting of the month. First thing we do is have the public meeting, if no issues or no concerns at that time, we will know what the bids are, we can discuss the bids and the council can take action. Motion was made by Walters, seconded by Stowe to close the public hearing at 6:10 p.m. and return to regular meeting. Voting yes, Smith, Stowe and Walters. Motion Carried. Absent, Roe and Thein. Motion was made by Walters, seconded by Stowe to table the public hearing until July 7th. Voting yes, Smith, Stowe and Walters. Motion Carried. Absent, Roe and Thein. The public hearing will be at 6:00 p.m. during the meeting.

Item 10 on the agenda, Kathy Morris, Scott County Landfill, presentation to the Fire Department will be on the July agenda.

Motion was made by Stowe, seconded by Walters to make the payment to Mid-American for the substation project. Voting yes, Smith, Walters and Stowe. Motion Carried. Absent, Roe and Thein.

Public Works report was given by Richard Derrickson. Westend substation was completed and put into service June 4th. Told of some vandalism at the old school. Cost of fixing the broken items are unknown at this time. Money has not been budgeted for this building. Would like to take down the basketball hoops and other poles behind the school. This item we be given to the park board. The chain gates at the school we put the same lock as the park gates thinking that the parking area behind the school could be used by parents for games, but it seems like when the gates has been opened they never get closed. Would like to change the lock on the gate. Council has no problem with this.

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Ordinance for storm water and storm sewers was discussed. Leo Foley, City Engineer explained what the two ordinances consisted of. Model Illicit Discharge and Connection Storm Water Ordinance and a Storm Water Utility. Veenstra & Kimm would like to set up an ordinance for the storm water utility. These ordinances have to be done per DNR and our permit application that was sent in, if you don't do this they we come back and fine the city. These two ordinances will go to the Ordinance Committee. A date and time will be set at the end of the council meeting.

Motion was made by Stowe, seconded by Smith to approve cigarette license renewals for EZ Way, Beach Pub and Caseys. Voting yes, Walters, Stowe and Smith. Motion Carried. Absent, Roe and Thein. Received all paper work.

Motion was made by Walters, seconded by Smith to have Open House at the Dodge Street School Building on Sunday, June 29, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Voting yes, Stowe, Smith and Walters. Motion Carried. Absent, Roe and Thein. Historical Society had various questions of the process of getting rooms. Mayor Teel, don't think any of us can say what is going to happen, those decisions have to be mandated by an ordinance. With the backing of the council, I will take two councilmembers and an alternate and make a new committee. They could be the Old School Committee. With there approval I could do this. Another thing, I can talk individually to each councilmember about the five volunteers that I still have and see what type of feelings I get from them. to see which way to go on this. Rich ask who is going to get the building ready for open house. After discussion, Walters to get key sometime on Friday go over with one of the public works guys and see what needs to be done. Will look into a dumpster and call for volunteers to help clean. At the open house there will be maps and a suggestion box for the community to put their input in about the usage of the school.

Item 15A. Time limits on meeting was tabled.

Police report was given by Richard Aleksiejczyk. Mayor stated that our police officer Victor Obertance will be leaving the force. Put in his resignation, going to LeClaire. Taking applications. Stowe, had concerns if the dog ordinance was ever passed. Needs to be followed up on by the ordinance committee and given to the council for approval.

Park Board report was given by Ben Gerischer, Chariman. They will have a meeting on June 18, 2003, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Put three picnic tables under concession stand, looking into concrete tables, have two new basketball nets for the court, will have an update at the meeting on a merry-go-round and two bouncy toys for the westend park and a price. The Parents Club taking care of their shed, will be painting it. At the meeting also, will be talking about improvements behind the school. Mayor Teel ask if some how we could get that tractor tiller on the otherside of the railroad tracks to make the beach presentable. Rich to report back to Dwain about this issue. Stowe ask if someone could go down to the gazebo and look at the picnic table, starting to fall apart. Ben from the park board will take care of it.

Committee reports was asked for. Betty Walters gave the Community Center report. Met on June the 5th. The awnings are ordered, will be here in 4 to 6 weeks. When in Des Moines, went to school, was told that they have to have 1099s sent into the state for anyone making over \$600.00. Still one bad check out and checking into the price of staining the building. This will have to be a bid process. Roof was leaking. Fixed that. Smith, Buffalo Days will have input at the open house at the old school. There was no other reports.

Mayor Ted Teel gave his report. This pertains to Buffalo Days, I work with a guy that has a band, he is interest in participating in Buffalo Days. The canoes will be here Tues., July 29th, about 130 people. Will be here that night, about 3:30 p.m. and will leave Wed. morning. Church will be doing dinner and boy scouts will do breakfast. Ask council when they would like fire works, 4th of July or Buffalo Days. After discussion they would like both, but they will be done on the 4th of July and will take care of Buffalo Days later if funding is available.

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Set dates for special meetings was asked for. Ordinance Committee will meet Monday, June 16, 2003 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall to discuss the following ordinances. Storm Water and Utility, Dog, Landlord Packet and the Utility Services. Park Board will meet Wed., June 18, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. There agenda already posted.

Public input was asked for. Dorothy Adams wondered if anyone had heard any kind of reports good or bad about our New Buffalo Sign. There has been nothing but WONDERFUL COMMENTS ON THE SIGN. The Historical Society would like to thank the town for the electric and Grisham Welding for there donation and great work on the sign. Judy Hammons asked about the bill for \$59,520.00 to Davenport School District, cost of staining for the Community Center and how long it has been since they had it done and concerns about the rental inspection property and why it isn't being done. Diane Stowe had concerns about who is responsible to send out certified letters for clean up. She commented on other properties that need to be cleaned up. Would just like this to be fair. Mayor Teel apologized to her for getting a letter and some of her neighbors and fellow citizens did not. Mayor and Police Chief to set date and time to ride around town, make a list of residents who will be receiving letters on clean up. She had more concerns about a landlord packet being made up. Also, wanting to move all her renters but one, their bond-a-fide letters up so they co-apply with the new ordinance. The old ordinance calls for landlord signature only and they are responsible for any unpaid sewer bills only. New ordinance calls for both, the landlord and tenant signatures, any unpaid utility bills the city will be responsible for. This issue will have to be decided by the city council. This ordinance to be looked into.

Motion was made by Walters, seconded by Stowe to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. All ayes. Motion Carried. Absent, Roe and Thein.

Signed: Betty O. Walters  
~~Red Teel, Mayor~~, Buffalo, IA

Betty O. Walters, Mayor ProTem,

Attest: Deborah L. Guenther

Deborah L. Guenther, Deputy Clerk  
Buffalo, IA

EFTPS, 1833.28; City of Buffalo, 220.78(meter dep.); Richard Knapp, 67.22; Internet Revealed, 25.00; Cardmembers, 191.89; Pitney Bowes, 163.10; Dick-n-Sons, 17.93; CarQuest, 12.51; Fletcher Reinhardt, 82.89; Quad-City Times, 22.37; City of Buffalo, 1788.00(sewer rental); Mason Tree Service, 650.00; EFTPS, 1779.75; City of Davenport, 134.21; Vettters, 26.00; Veenstra&Kimm, 766.00; Arch Wireless, 18.23; Racom, 166.30; Humane Society, 97.50; Uniform Den, 92.90; Gierke-Robinson, 7.72; Grass Groomers, 5314.28; Tom Zuber, 810.00; Davenport Community Schools, 59,520.00; Prairie Waste, 3570.00; City of Davenport, 9.75; Olderog Tire, 181.25; Scott County Jail, 225.00; City of Buffalo,(supplies); U.S. Cellular, 117.62; AT&T, 39.28; MidAmerican, 19,152.44; City of Davenport, 59.55; MidAmerican, 117.59; Delta Dental, 735.46; Eastern Iowa Petro, 1084.57; Menards, 66.63; IAMU, 317.06; Iowa One Call, 20.70; Quad-City Times, 26.92; J.A. Reno, 203.53; EFTPS, 1812.93; City of Buffalo, 185.46(misc.); Quad City Times, 171.83; QWest, 864.81; John Deere Health, 8655.32; Bankers Trust, 40442.50; Buffalo Savings Bank-Insurance, 60253.00; Wal-Mart, 69.19; U.S Cellular, 743.21; Manards, 45.31; Grass Groomers, 285.00; Utility Equip., 775.70; S.J. Smith Welding, 41.95; Menards, 139.95; Iowa Chicago & Eastern Railroad, 150.00; William McCullough, 825.00; Quad-City Times, 108.52; Security Alarm Management, 300.00; Buffalo Savings Ins., 740.00; AT&T, 195.27; City of Buffalo, 61.50(schooling); Terminix, 75.00; Great Western Supply, 225.54; Xerox, 17.00; Office Machine, 199.33; Quad City Times, 103.76; Matt Parrott & Sons, 642.90; City of Buffalo, 24.25, (meter dep.); Tom Messmer, 13.44; EFTPS, 1850.50; IPERS, 3002.34; Treasurer, State of Iowa, 1259.00; Nasha Lambert, 80.00; Randy Sorgenfrey, 7.63; City of Buffalo, 42.37(meter dep.); Quad-City Times, 11.90; Veenstra & Kimm, 462.00; Elliott Equipment, 1250.00; Menards, 93.32; Harcros Chemicals, 184.50; Treasurer, State of Iowa, 1507.97; Farm & Fleet, 170.94;