

August 18, 2003

The City Council of Buffalo, IA, met on August 18, 2003, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall with Mayor ProTem Betty Walters presiding. Mayor Ted Teel was absent. Councilmembers present were Kent Roe, Dana Jo Smith, Cathy Stowe and Betty Walters. Absent, Larry Thein.

No member of the audience had any public input at this time. Discussion was held concerning prices and rental of rooms and gym at the Dodge Street school building. They discussed disposal of the Civic Center building at 326-4th Street. Motion was made by Roe and Stowe to obtain three appraisals from realtors and do an average of the three and advertise the property for sale. All present voted aye. Carried.

Council discussed the best areas to section off and install the metal gates in the building. Clerk is to obtain prices to install up to three pay phones in the building, and the monthly fee for these. Motion was made by Stowe and Roe to increase the monthly rental fee for the seniors mealsite room to \$50.00 per month. All present voted aye. Carried. Motion was made by Stowe and Roe to charge the following rental fees: \$25.00 cleaning fee for each room; \$25.00 for rental of a room for each event; \$25.00 for two hours usage of the gymnasium; \$35.00 for three hours usage of the gymnasium; \$50.00 for one day usage of the gymnasium; \$75.00 for one day usage for the gymnasium for a business; and a key deposit for all of the above of \$50.00, refundable when the key is returned. All present voted aye. Carried. Motion was made by Stowe and Roe that all scheduling, deposits and payments must be handled thru City Hall, during regular business hours, and to have the Civic Center building closed by November 01, 2003. All present voted aye. Carried.

Motion was made by Roe and Stowe to send the decisions to the city attorney to be worked into an ordinance and contracts. All ayes. Carried.

City Clerk Carol Bernauer told Council they also have to obtain chairs and tables for the rooms that will be rented. Mayor ProTem Walters said she is applying for a grant from the Rhythm City Casino to purchase these items. The gym may be used for walkers at certain times each day, if someone can form a group and be in charge of the key. Public input was asked for. Stowe said a resident had called her wanting to know why the public works employees can't keep the beach cleaned up and do daily job logs like they used to. There was discussion of what happened to the trophies that used to be in the glass cases at the old school. The students that earned them might like to have them. Bill Good will be contacted about this. Public Works Director Dwain Bollman asked if the Council wanted any street work done this year, as it is getting too late for a good seal on the streets. A house on Maple Street will be checked again by the building inspector that may be violating the city code. Smith asked about culverts on Franklin Street on the East side that is causing runoff water to go thru her property. The regular September meeting will be on September 08, due to the holiday. Motion was made by Roe and Stowe to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m. All ayes. Carried.

Signed: Betty O. Walters
Betty O. Walters,
Mayor ProTem, Buffalo, IA

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