

October 06, 2003

The City Council of Buffalo, IA, met in regular session on October 06, 2003, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall with Mayor Ted Teel presiding. Councilmembers present were Kent Roe, Dana Jo Smith, Cathy Stowe, Larry Thein and Betty Walters.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given. Motion was made by Stowe and Roe to approve the minutes of September 08. All voted aye. Carried. Motion was made by Stowe and Roe to approve payment of the bills. All ayes. Carried.

Public input was asked for. Jeff Hillman asked if he could have two permanent rooms at the Dodge School for the Cub Scouts and be able to store all their equipment there, instead of in several garages. This will be on the November agenda. Judy Hammons asked about the Mid-American bills. Ruby McCullough commented on some errors in the minutes of September in the newspaper. Some of the errors are typos at the newspaper. Dick Abbott asked if the sale of the civic center could be put on hold for awhile to see about grants available to retain the building.

Suzanne Davis and Hollis Fish from the Scott County Health Dept. talked with Mayor, Council and audience about their services and answered questions about mosquitoes and the orange beetle bugs.

Rodney Levsen presented a plaque to the City with all the Mayors names and dates of service dating back to 1858 when H.H. Kauffman was the Mayor. The research for it was done by Dorothy Adams and the engraving was done by Debbie Thein. This will be hung in City Hall for the public to enjoy. Council and Mayor thanked Mr. Levsen for the plaque.

Motion was made by Stowe and Walters to have "Trick or Treat" night on October 30 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. City Hall will be open that night with treats given out by the Mayor. All voted yes. Carried.

Motion was made by Walters and Roe to approve the Buffalo Historical Society to have rooms #2, 3 and 4 instead of #3, 4 and 5 at the Dodge School. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Walters and Roe to keep Room #8 for rentals, such as showers, birthday parties, etc. This is the only room with air conditioning. All voted yes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Stowe and Thein to use Room #15 and the "teachers lounge" for the V.F.W., as requested by Dwain Bollman. All voted yes. Carried.

Motion was made by Roe and Walters to allow the Buffalo Historical Society to put the old wooden desk in City Hall in their museum, with the stipulation if the Society breaks up, the desk will come back to City Hall. Many Mayors back thru the decades have used this desk in the office. All voted yes on a roll call vote. Carried. The City public works employees will transfer the desk.

Motion was made by Stowe and Thein to advertise in the Buffalo Shores Gazette for a new name for the "Dodge Street School" building and put it on the November agenda. All voted yes. Carried.

Motion was made by Thein and Stowe to table the immediate plan to sell the Civic Center building until November to see if anyone can obtain grants for the purchase of it. All voted yes. Carried.

The public works report was given by Dwain Bollman, Director. He told of the steps at the rear of the new Buffalo School being completed; broken windows at Dodge School; a boiler inspection at Dodge School; electrical wiring is finished at the Police building for lighting of the Veterans Memorial; water lab reports; another rule for testing of water coming down from the E.P.A. a class that he and Jamie Brooks will attend on October 29 in Maquoketa on chlorine in the water rules and regulations.

Motion was made by Roe and Walters to approve new zoning maps for \$2500. All voted yes on a roll call vote. Carried.

Motion was made by Thein and Roe to approve the first reading of Ordinance #383, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 13 OF TITLE VI OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE, CREATING A STORM WATER UTILITY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF BUFFALO." Voting yes were Roe, Stowe, Walters, Smith and Thein. Carried.

The police report was given by Gage Adams, Chief. He told Council of an increasing problem in the City with skateboarders, and would like the Ordinance Committee to work on this when they have their next meeting. Someone said the motorized scooters are also a problem on the streets, with several near accidents and not being able to see them.

The Park Board report was given by Ben Gerischer. He wants keys for the bathrooms at the park; the gates to be locked at the park at 10:30 nightly and the locks repaired; a park board meeting will be on October 15 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss fees for rental of the shelters; security lites; batting cage; and the Parents Club will meet on October 26 at 5:00 p.m.

Resolution #18-2003, "A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN INFORMATION PACKET FOR LANDLORDS" was discussed. Motion was made by Roe and Walters to table this resolution until November for more information. All voted yes. Carried.

Committee reports were asked for. The Street Committee met in September and discussed a drainage problem on Franklin Street. The Ordinance Committee met in September also. Mayor Teel said the items in his report have already been covered.

The Ordinance Committee will meet on October 21 at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall to discuss the following: Dodge School room rental rates; rental and cleaning fees for the shelters at City Park; the dog ordinance; the skateboard ordinance and also motorized scooters/skateboards; the landlord packet resolution.

Public input was asked for. Judy Hammons said the past two committee meetings have been run very well. Kent Roe said the September Council meeting was the worst run meeting he has seen. He wants it put in the minutes that it was a unanimous vote to pay Walters the Mayors pay when he did not attend meetings in July and August, and she performed as Mayor ProTem in his absence. Roe said he left the September meeting early after the Mayor singled him out for talking, when everyone was talking at the same time, and that the Mayor also received pay for the entire same period. Dorothy Adams inquired about the locked gates at the Dodge School and if they needed to be locked all the time. Judy Hammons asked about locks on some of the doors over there. Ruby McCullough told of a skateboard park in Wisconsin she had seen recently. There was discussion of a skateboard area being made where the tennis courts are now.

Motion was made by Walters and Roe to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:25 PM. All voted aye. Carried.

Signed: _____

Ted J. Teel, Mayor, Buffalo, IA

Attest: _____

Carol A. Bernauer, City Clerk,
Buffalo, IA

EFTPS, 1787.10; Olderog Tire, 58.95; IAMU, 350.38; AT&T, 43.95; Culligan, 36.50; City of Davenport Finance Dept., 72.46; AT&T, 20.93; Tom Zuber, 690.00; Midwest Municipal Transmission, 73.01; Broghammer & Assoc., 850.00; Wal-Mart, 601.18; Daniel Boblit, 188.00; City of Buffalo, 246.77; EFTPS, 1620.47; Gregg Shaw, 100.54; Q.C. Metallurgical, 40.00; Al Fire, 404.10; Utility Equipment, 59.93; Affiliated Steam, 528.20; Car Quest, 13.10; Scott Area Landfill, 4.73; Electric Pump, 82.81; Midwest Municipal Transmission, 36.50; Panther Uniform, 106.41; William McCullough, 562.50; Dick-n-Sons, 72.28; Quad-City Times, 39.44; H&M Disposal, 6930.00; Chemsearch, 174.27; Internet Revealed, 25.00; Menards, 241.31; EFTPS, 1982.26; Teamsters Local #238, 307.00; Mid-American Glazing, 920.00; Grass Groomers, 5914.28; PerMar, 74.95; Rick & Kens Auto, 1911.69; Gregg Shaw, 53.49; Delta Dental, 735.46; JA Reno, 251.34; Sams, 30.00; Wal-Mart, 142.85; City of Buffalo, 146.90; Heritage Computers, 175.00; Miller Trucking, 59,711.05; Eastern Iowa Petro, 104.40; Emergency Lock, 161.00; City of Buffalo, 150.73; John Deere Health, 8972.76; Kent Roe, 150.00; Dana Smith, 175.00; Cathy Stowe, 160.00; EFTPS, 2088.83; Larry Tehin, 110.00; Betty Walters, 205.00; Betty Walters, 266.66; Ted Teel, 400.00; Ted Teel, 40.00; John Deere Health, 278.80; Hach, 449.75; Menards, 114.70; Iowa Utilities Board, 144.21; Stetson Building, 165.85; Ann Menke, 2025.00; U.S. Cellular, 18.01; Lease ACTG., 20,688.89; Midwest Automated Time System, 115.93; Mid-American, 32,363.20; AT&T, 41.02; Purchase Power, 28.84; Cardmember Ser., 297.20; EFTPS, 1643.28; Iowa Utilities Board, 357.00; U.S. Cellular, 200.00; Treasurer, State of Ia, 154.00; IPERS, 3749.15; Treasurer, State of Ia, 1629.00; Tom Zuber, 712.50; Menards, 136.19; Office Machine Consultants, 215.85; Menards, 155.60; Broghammer & Assoc, 425.00; Hempel Pipe, 77.06; Electrical Engineering, 58.64; Fletcher Reinhardt, 236.60; Xerox Corp., 17.00; Iowa One Call, 34.20; Kirkwood Community College, 200.00; Matthew Binder, 534.71; H&M Disposal, 1465.00; Pitney Bowes, 312.00; Great Western Supply Co., 191.18; QWest, 854.19; Terminix, 40.00; Racom, 37.50; U.S. Cellular, 18.27; AT&T, 212.66; Fletcher-Reinhardt, 38.64; Menards, 118.69; Grass Groomers, 5314.28; K&K Hardware, 13.79; Johnson Distributing, 27.00; C.H. McGuinness, 118.53; United Lab, 452.40; AT&T, 20.88; Culligan, 26.00; Quad-City Times, 235.22; Iowa Utilites Board, 60.00; Mid-American, 25,634.67; Lowes, 1162.23; Bi-State, 231.75; CCP Industries, 162.77; Teamsters Local #238, 308.00; National Flood Insurance, 4,910.00; Grainger, 20.81; Grass Groomers, 360.00; Scott Area Landfill, 5.00; Wal-Mart, 152.98; City of Buffalo, 447.31; Lynn Thomas, 65.46; Iowa Workforce Develop., 179.99; IMFOA, 184.00;