

August 02, 2004

The City Council of Buffalo, IA, met in regular session on August 02, 2004, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall with Mayor Walters presiding. Councilmembers present were Carson, Greer, Hammons and Wiese. Absent, Stowe.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given. Motion was made by Greer and Wiese to approve the minutes of July 06 and 27. All present voted aye. Carried. Motion was made by Greer and Hammons to approve the bills. All ayes. Carried.

Public input was given by members of the audience. There was discussion among Mayor, Council, City Attorney and Engineer, Public Works Director and Willard Sheeder concerning his cut outs on Jefferson Street for his property. As this was included in the easement agreement with him for the sidewalk going to the new school, but no approved plat has ever been approved, motion was made by Carson and Wiese to get bids for the cutouts, come back to the next meeting and have Council approve a bid and pay Sheeder the money for the cutouts and then he is responsible to have them made at whatever time the final plat is approved. The City will no longer be responsible for them, in case they are put in the wrong places. All present voted yes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Carson and Greer to add the words "and massage therapy" to the lease agreement with Gina Guizar for her hair salon at the Activity Center. This is in agreement with Guizar. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Council discussed the sidewalk that was torn out on Second Street and the homeowner had begun replacing the bricks he had torn out of the old sidewalk. Motion was made by Wiese and Carson, to allow him to continue replacing it with the bricks, as long as the building inspector approves the work. This needs to be changed in the City Code book in the future. All voted yes on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

Dwain Bollman, Public Works Director, gave his report. There was considerable discussion of the Franklin Street drainage problem in the 800 block, running to the South of the street. Motion was made by Wiese and Greer to have the public works department clean from culvert to culvert in the area in two weeks to be sure they are open and draining properly. All present voted yes. Carried.

Wiese said she wants the riverfront cleaned up of trees and brush. You can barely see the river anymore. As the Public Works employees have a list of most important jobs, there is no time for this. Motion was made by Carson and Hammons to advertise for bids for tree and brush removal from the riverfront between Dodge Street and Elm Street for the September council meeting. All present voted aye. Carried.

The police report was given by Gage Adams, Chief. He will advertise for bids for the old rescue boat and the funds will go to their DARE account. Council will award the bid at the September meeting.

Council discussed the air conditioning units at the Activity Center. Motion was made by Hammons and Greer, that a directive be sent to the organizations and renters in the building to set the thermostats on 80 when they leave the building and keep their doors closed going into the hallways as some doors are being left open and its wasting electric usage. All present voted aye. Carried.

The rental inspection plan was again discussed. It was stated the inspection plan should be self-supporting and not use tax funds to enforce it. Motion was made by Hammons and Greer to change the resolution and charge a higher amount for the initial inspection to cover the costs of administering it, and make it self-supporting. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Greer and Carson to approve Resolution #26-2004, "A RESOLUTION FOR COMMITTEES". All present voted yes on a roll call vote. Absent, Stowe. Carried.

There was no Park Board, Community Center or Committee reports. Mayor Walters gave a report on fire and storm warning sirens.

No special meetings were scheduled. An Ordinance Committee will be scheduled soon. Public input was given from several residents. Motion was made by Greer and Hammons to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m. All present voted aye. Carried.

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

Attest: Carol A. Bernauer
Carol A. Bernauer, CMC
City Clerk/Finance Officer
Buffalo, IA

Sam's, 165.41; EFTPA, 2542.78; City of Buffalo, 150.75; Secretary of State, 30.00; Gregg Shaw, 48.12; MidAmerican, 17,995.52; Broghammer&Assoc., 425.00; William McCullough, 225.00; Midstates Power Consulting, 886.35; Grass Groomers/The Outhouse, 5439.28; Menards, 28.56; Batteries Plus, 65.26; Xerox Corp., 17.00; Johnson Distributing, 27.00; IAMU, 259.00; Bi-State, 235.25; AT&T, 27.83; Culligan, 15.50; Internet Revealed, 25.00; Tom Zuber, 990.00; EFTPS, 1792.53; City of Buffalo, 289.31; EFTPS, 1641.50; Buffalo Savings Bank, 6342.78; QWest, 879.03; ATCO, 358.00; Iowa Workforce, 15.00; IRWA, 175.00; Republic Co., 115.61; Elliott Equip., 1250.00; Harcross Chemicals, 246.00; Quad-City Times, 14.44; Heartland Fire, 251.40; Q.C. Metallurgical, 40.00; United Lab, 352.80; Hygienic Lab, 15.00; Teamster's Local #238, 353.00; Great Western, 137.18; MidAmerican, 1339.53; Sam's, 300.00; J.A. Reno, 214.89; Eastern Iowa Petro, 1027.90; Cardmember Ser., 356.97; Interstate Battery, 56.95; Dick-n-Sons, 189.37; Delta Dental, 772.17; A-L-L Equipment, 209.84; Menards, 85.84; Fletcher-Reinhardt, 43.60; City of Buffalo, 58.11; Sara Sexton, 80.77; City of Buffalo, 108.23; Marge Kuhrt, 146.90; City of Buffalo, 50.10; Gregg Shaw, 72.75; IIMC, 100.00; John Deere Health, 6965.76; AT&T, 22.09; Iowa League of Cities, 541.00; V & K, 920.00; I.A.B.M.E., 20.00; Great Western, 36.64; Instrument Control Systems, 1017.70; Munic. Street Impr., 59788.85; Iowa One Call, 42.30; I.A.C.M.A, 95.00; A T & T, 66.16; U.S. Cellular, 356.62; A T & T, 75.26; Able Elec. Co., 7650.00; Q.C. Times, 101.09; IPERS, 3469.29; IA State Treas., 1446.00; EFTPS, 2081.55; Collection Services Center, 444.00; Papa Bears Pizza, 796.00; Grass Groomers, 65.00; Fletcher-Reinhardt Co., 347.25; U.E.C.O., 577.32; Images In Ink, 135.00; Internet Revealed, 25.00; U.S.Cellular, 18.13; LMI-Kubota, Inc., 499.95; City of Buffalo, 146.88;