

Minutes of the regular session of the Common Council of the City of Buffalo, Iowa held on March 13, 2006.

Meeting called to order by Mayor John Carson at 7 pm. Present were Council Members Gina Guizar, Chris Carson, Mitch Greer, Judy Hammons, and Dana Jo Smith. Also present were City Attorney Bill McCullough, Director of Public Works Dwain Bollman, Police Chief Gage Adams, and City Clerk Bill Bowers.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing on Fiscal Year 06-07 Budget

Motion by Hammons to close the Council meeting and open the Public Hearing on the budget. Seconded by Greer and carried unanimously.

Council heard comments regarding the budget.

Motion by Carson to remove the Capital Improvement money from the Parks budget and to increase their Grounds maintenance to \$16,000. Seconded by Greer and carried unanimously.

Motion by Carson to recommend to Council adoption of the fiscal year 2006-2007 budget as amended. Seconded by Greer and carried unanimously.

Motion by Greer to close the public hearing and open the Council meeting. Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

Budget for FY 2006-2007

Motion by Hammons to adopt the fiscal year 2007-2007 budget. Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

Minutes

Motion by Greer to approve the minutes from 1/13, 1/12, 2/2, 2/13, 2/15, and 2/23/2006. Seconded by Guizar and carried unanimously.

Claims

Motion by Greer to approve the claims. Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

Public Input

Council heard from many residents about many issues.

Hammons stated that she would like to thank the Fire Department for their effort in cleaning up the City after the recent rains. Carson added that the DPW employees did a fine job as well. The City Clerk will write letters to both departments thanking them on behalf of the Council for a job well done.

Committee Updates

Sheila Downs provided a Community Center update.
Dwain Bollman provided a DPW update.
Gage Adams provided a Police Department update.
Randy Lamar provided a Parks update.

Stormwater Committee

Bowers provided the first reading of Ordinance 403 “An Ordinance Establishing Chapter 15 of Title VI of the Municipal Code of the City of Buffalo relating to Construction Site Erosion and Sediment Control”

Motion by Hammons to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 403. Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

Streets Committee

Motion by Hammons to approve the Y-40 work as presented by DPW. Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

TIF Committee

Motion by Hammons to recommend to Council that the City offer to Annex the area being discussed as Buffalo Ridge with the understanding that the City will establish a Tax Incremental Financing District; enter into a Developers Agreement so the developer can recoup his costs; the project must include additional access points; and the City may expand the area to recoup any costs it will incur should the City decide to extend Washington Street or water and sewer. The details of the allocation of TIF revenues between the developer and the City to be negotiated at a later date and the City Zoning and Planning and Ordinance Committee will review the plans before any approval of the project. Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

Council asked the City Engineer to write a report about his opinions of the project.

COW

Motion by Carson to set the room rental rate for the BAC at \$400 per month for all renters. Seconded by Smith and carried with Guizar abstaining.

Tabled Items

Low Water Crossing for Riverside Park

Motion by Carson to remove this item from the table. Seconded by Guizar and carried unanimously.

Motion by Carson to have City staff do the work for the crossing. Seconded by Hammons and carried unanimously.

City Hall Sign

Motion by Carson to remove this item from the table. Seconded by Guizar and carried unanimously.

Motion by Carson to accept the quote from Sign on Sign Works for a new BAC sign in an amount not to exceed \$1,776. Seconded by Guizar and carried unanimously.

Easter Hunt Donation

Motion by Greer that the City makes a \$400 donation for the Easter Egg Hunt. Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

Resolution 3-2006

Motion by Carson to approve Resolution #03-2006 "A Resolution for Street Embargo". Seconded by Greer and carried unanimously.

Credit Card

Motion by Carson to allow the City Clerk to acquire a credit card for online purchases with a limit of \$500. Seconded by Hammons and carried unanimously.

Youth Baseball Donation

Motion by Hammons to drop from the agenda due to lack of information. Seconded by Greer and carried unanimously.

City Website

Motion by Carson to authorize the City Clerk to create a website for the City of Buffalo including the purchase for a domain name and server space from a local ISP. Seconded by Greer and carried unanimously.

City Sewer/Water Insurance

Consensus of the Council was to request input directed to the City Clerk and to revisit the issue if there is interest within Buffalo. Drop from agenda.

Clerk's Office Computers

Motion by Smith to authorize the City Clerk to acquire 2 new computers in an amount not to exceed \$2,000 with 25% being paid by the City, Water Utility, Sewer Utility, and Electric Utility. Seconded by Greer and carried unanimously.

Ordinance 402

Bowers provided the 1st reading of Ordinance 402 "An Ordinance amending Section 6-9.0304 of the Municipal Code of the City of Buffalo relating to Utility Deposits."

Motion by Greer to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 402. Seconded by Hammons and carried unanimously.

BAC Electrical Service Upgrade

Motion by Carson to accept the low bidder, PIICO Electric, for the BAC electrical service upgrade in an amount of \$24,860. Seconded by Greer and carried unanimously.

BAC Rest Rooms

Motion to table and to direct the staff to write a letter to Lafarge regarding possible assistance with this. Seconded by Hammons and carried unanimously.

Planning and Zoning Committee Appointments

Motion by Carson to approve the Mayor's appointment of Steve Thorton and Danny Mullanack Sr. Seconded by Hammons and carried unanimously.

Planning and Zoning Committee Membership

Motion by Hammons to refer the Planning and Zoning Committee membership to the Ordinance Committee. Seconded by Greer and carried unanimously.

Alley Weight Limits/Impact of Sewer System

Drop from agenda.

Copy Policy

Motion by Greer to table until Clerk provides actual cost analysis. Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

Future Meeting Dates

Ordinance Committee was scheduled for 6:30 pm on March 21, 2006.
Employee Relation Committee was scheduled for 6:30 pm on March 22, 2006.

Public Input

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Motion to adjourn by Greer at 9:25 pm. Seconded by Hammons and carried unanimously.

Signed 
John R. Carson, Mayor

Attest: 
William Bowers, City Clerk

Claims

A T & T	325.00
ADAMS, GAGE	108.50
AFFILIATED STEAM EQUIP.	392.86
ALCOPRO, INC	908.00
ALLIED WASTE SERVICES	6,930.00
BUFFALO COMMUNITY CENTER	19.86
BUFFALO, CITY OF	122.50
CARGILL	468.72
CHEMSEARCH	311.19
CITY OF BUFFALO	151.22
COMPUTER REVOLUTIONS	1,342.80
CULLIGAN OF THE Q.C.	4.45
DAVENPORT ELECTRIC CONTR	.00
DELTA DENTAL PLAN OF IOW	522.13
DICK N SONS LUMBER	6.79
EASTERN IOWA PETRO.	946.64
FEDERAL SIGNAL CORPORATI	12,542.85
FLETCHER REINHARDT CO	242.02
GREAT WESTERN SUPPLY CO.	52.23
GRIMSTAD, NORM	200.00
HYDRO METERING	620.28
INTERNET REVEALED	27.00
IOWA ASSOC OF MUNIC UTIL	1,842.44
IOWA FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATI	250.00
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	30.00
IOWA SECTION AWWA	50.00
IOWA UTILITIES BOARD	55.75
JOHN DEERE HEALTH PLAN I	5,640.16
KJWW	5,050.00

LINWOOD MINING & MINERAL	105.63
LOWE'S	126.39
MCCULLOUGH, WILLIAM T	1,387.50
MEDIACOM LLC	96.90
MENARDS	2,591.62
MID AMERICAN ENERGY CO.	5,500.02
MONIQUE HANCOCK	161.78
NEBRASKA MUNICIPAL POWER	21,135.45
OFFICE MACHINE CONS.	164.14
OFFICE MAX CREDIT PLAN	285.24
OFFICE PLUS	360.72
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	40.00
PANTHER UNIFORMS INC	25.00
PITNEY BOWES PURC. POWER	319.00
Q C METTALURGICAL LAB.	40.00
QUAD CITY TIMES	392.94
QWEST	859.03
RUSSELL, JOHN	90.00
SCOTT COUNTY ATTORNEY'S	100.00
SCOTT COUNTY CLERK OF CO	30.00
SMITH, DANA	29.76
STEVE AND LYNNETTE TEEL	335.00
TRI-STATE FIRE CONTROL I	288.00
TRUENORTH COMPANIES	172.38
U.S. CELLULAR	535.01
UNITED LABORATORIES	482.18
VALLEY CONSTRUCTION	6,045.36
VEENSTRA & KIMM	2,160.00
XEROX CORPORATION	19.00
ZUBER, TOM	548.73

GRAND TOTALS	83,590.17
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FUND TOTALS

001	GENERAL FUND	42,413.86
110	ROAD USE TAX FUND	3,202.69
600	WATER UTILITY FUND	7,576.91
610	SEWER UTILITY FUND	4,893.37
630	ELECTRIC UTILITY FUND	24,765.34
635	TRUST & AGENCY FUND	738.00
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