

Minutes of the public hearing held before the City Council of Buffalo, Iowa regarding the Buffalo Ridge rezoning held on May 7, 2007.

Meeting called to order by Mayor John Carson at 7 pm. Present were Councilmembers Gina Guizar, Christine Carson, Mitch Greer, Judy Hammons, and Dana Jo Smith. Also present were City Attorney William McCullough, Director of Public Works Dwain Bollman, City Clerk Bill Bowers, and Assistant City Engineer Brian Parks.

The property was annexed and is currently zoned A-Country Homes which requires 20,000 sq ft lots. NT Homebuilders would like the zoning changed to B-Single Family which would allow 7,500 sq ft lots.

An objection form has been presented the City representing approximately 90% of the surrounding land owners. This will require a $\frac{3}{4}$ vote of the council to approve the zoning.

Many residents spoke in opposition to the zoning. The main concerns are population density and storm water drainage. Prior problems with the holding ponds were discussed and a video shown of the area during a flood that occurred during the early 1990's.

Representatives from NT Homebuilders explained their position and requests that the zoning change be approved.

Mayor Carson adjourned the public hearing at 7:50 pm.

William Bowers
City Clerk