

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Buffalo City Council, Iowa held on September 8, 2008.

Meeting called to order by Mayor John Carson at 7 pm. Present were Council members Christine Carson, Mitch Greer, Judy Hammons and Dana Jo Smith. Council member Gina Guizar was excused. Also present were Director of Public Works Dwain Bollman, Chief of Police Gage Adams and City Clerk Tanna Carter.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Minutes**

Motion by Greer to approve the minutes of August 4, 2008. Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

### **Claims**

Motion by Greer to bring the bills to Council for discussion. Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

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

### **Public Input**

The Calvary Lutheran Church requested that there building permit fee be re-evaluated.

### **Department and Committee Reports**

Bollman provided a DPW update.

There was no police update.

The employee relations committee recommended to council to change the starting wages.

Motion by Greer to amend the starting wages to read as follows:

Public Works Director-20.00, Wastewater treatment Plant Operator Iowa grade III-15.75, Class #4-15.75, Class#3-12.75, Class#2-10.50, Class#1-8.50, City Clerk-17.00, and Deputy Clerk-12.00.

Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

The Employee Relations Committee recommended to council pay raises for employees.

Motion by Carson to change pay as followed:

Grant Carson	+0.25/hr	Cost of living increase
Charles Shreeves	+0.50/hr	Cost of living increase
Jamie Brooks	+0.75/hr	Merit increase

Change part time Police wages to 16.00 per hour.

Seconded by Greer and carried unanimously.

### **Mid American Energy Gas Franchise**

Mid American Energy representatives discussed the benefits of renewing the gas franchise with the City.

### **West End Lift Station**

Motion by Hammons to add the emergency connections for the lift station to next year's budget. Seconded by Carson carried unanimously.

### **Back up Generator**

Motion by Hammons allowing DPW to purchase a back up generator for the West End Lift Station. Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

### **Zoning Application Fee**

Motion by Carson to change the Zoning Application Fee from \$500.00 to \$150.00 an amount that would cover expenses incurred during the Re-Zoning process. Seconded by Hammons and carried unanimously.

### **Fall Clean up**

Council discussed the fall clean up and determined there will not be a clean up.

### **Noise Citations**

Motion by Carson to drop the citations issued by the police department in reference to Ordinance 410 relating to tavern doors. Seconded by Hammons and carries with Greer voting "no".

### **Assistant Clerk Position**

Council discussed the Assistant Clerk position and Employee relations will set a meeting date to begin going through applications.

### **Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Position**

Motion by Carson to have City Clerk seek best options for advertising in the Quad City Times, Iowa Municipality, Iowa League of Cities, City Scape, Qc Online, and our website. Seconded by Greer and carried unanimously.

### **Clerk Assistance**

Motion by Greer approving permission for City Clerk Ann Schmidt to assist the Clerk with last years books. Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

### **Mud Jacking**

Motion by Carson to pay for the mud jacking because residents were not notified by certified mail to have the sidewalks repaired. Seconded by Greer and carried unanimously.

### **Resolution**

Motion by Greer to approve Resolution 2008-06 upon adding starting wages in the title and adding class description at the bottom. Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

### **Ordinances**

Motion by Carson to approve the 3rd reading of Ordinance No. 421 "An Ordinance amending Section 2.1-3.0219 (10) of the Municipal Code of the City of Buffalo relating to Taverns". Seconded by Hammons and carried unanimously.

Motion by Carson to approve the 3rd reading of Ordinance No. 422 "An Ordinance amending Section 2.1-1.0303 of the Municipal Code of the City of Buffalo relating to Minors". Seconded by Hammons and carried unanimously.

Motion by Carson to approve the 3rd reading of Ordinance No. 423 "An Ordinance creating Section 2.1-3.0226 of the Municipal Code of the City of Buffalo relating to Outdoor Service Areas". Seconded by Greer and carried unanimously.

Motion by Carson to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance No. 424 "An Ordinance Amending Section 6-7.0215(5) of the Municipal Code of the City of Buffalo relating to Variance Application Fee". Seconded by Hammons and carried unanimously.

Motion by Carson to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance No. 425 "An Ordinance Amending Section 6-7.0104 of the Municipal Code of the City of Buffalo relating to Zoning application Fee". Seconded by Hammons and carried unanimously.


### **Tabled Items**

None

### **Future Meetings**

Employee Relations Committee will meet September 10, 2008 at 6pm  
Next regular Council Meeting will be October 6, 2008

Motion by Greer to adjourn at 8:40 pm. Seconded by Carson and carried unanimously.

  
John Carson, Mayor

  
Attest: Tanna Carter, City Clerk

### Claims

All American Concrete	NO.3 COMP WK THROUGH 9/8/08	111,034.95
Allied Waste	JULY SERVICE	4,588.80
Altec Industries	GLOVES/OUTRIGGER/DRILL/GOLIGHT	1,172.70
BABE'S TERMITE & PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL	53.5
BALDWIN POLE IOWA CORP	ELECTRIC POLES	12,287.80
Batteries Plus	BATTERY	137.34
Behning, TJ	LITHIUM BATTERY	19.25
Carquest	PARTS	477.63
Carson, Jack	CELL PHONE JACK CARSON	25
Computer Revolutions	COMPUTER	365
Country Springs	5 GALLONS DRINKING WATER	53.5
Dick-N-Sons Lumber	HANGER CONDUIT POLEBRASS	184.77
Ferkel, Terry	SHOES	28.86
Gierke - Robinson	COOLER 3 GAL YELLOW	569.6
Grainger	CAR BATTERY CHARGER	299.44
Grass Groomers/ The Outhouse	JULY RENT 3 UNITS	170
Heartland Fire & Security	AD2000 VOIE DIALER	362.5
Hempel Pipe and Supply	COPPER COUP	12.3
Hooper Corporation	ELECTRIC REPAIRS FROM STORM	29,216.85
Interstate Batteries	BATTERY	191.86
Iowa One Call	JULY CONTRACT UNDERGROUND LOCA	82.8
J&M Displays	FIREWORKS	4,000.00
Johnson Distributing Inc	WATER	14.4
K&K True Value Hardware	BEARING	83.16
Kimes, Carol	SEPTEMBER MOWING CONTRACT	5,692.86
Kirby Water Conditioning	SALT FOR WATER SOFTNER	17
MARTIN EQUIPMENT	WTR PLANT ALTERNATOR	457.75
Matthews Office Plus	DIGITAL CAMERA	945.22
McCullough, William	AUGUST FEES	393.75
Mediacom CH	High Speed Internet August	45.95
Menards - Davenport	UTLITY BRUSH/PAINT/ROLLER	99.06
Menards - Muscatine	WINDSHIELD WSHR/STARTING FLUI	44.96
Mid-American	1100 ASH STREET-WATER TRT PLNT	2,071.13

Midland Scientific Inc	CYLINDER/BORIC ACID/BUFFER	518.1
Mullanack Builders	2ND STREET AND DODGE	13,675.00
Municipal Energy Agency of Neb	ELECTRIC	31,188.72
Office Machine Consultants	COPIER MAITENANCE	427.06
Overland Systems Inc	REMOVE SANDBAGS-BUFFALO SHORES	2,377.00
Panther Uniforms Inc	TJ BOOT/ CUFF MATE	154.95
Pitney Bowes	Quarterly Rent	518.99
Q.C. Metallurgical	320 DODGE/122 E FRONT	245
Quad City Times	SPECIAL MTG 7-30-08	109.02
Qwest	563-381-4156	843.31
Racom Corporation	MONTHLY ACCESS FEE JULY	398
RADAR ROAD TEC	RADAR CERT	70
River Valley Cooperative	BALANCE FOR DPW FROM JUNE	3,791.08
Rock River Electric INC	LABOR SERVICE TECHNICIAN	1,506.96
S.J. Smith Company	GATORADE	116.1
Scott County Sheriff	BOOKING FEES	150
SEDONA STAFFING SERVICES	TEMP WORK AT CITY HALL	1,494.00
Shaw, Gregg	PANTS	17.11
T&R Electric	TRANSFORMERS	480
Tri-State Fire Control Inc.	RE SEAL KIT/REFILL	25.5
Uniform Den	BATRY STICK STINGER-ALEKSIEJCZ	19.95
United Laboratories	WEED/BRUSH KILLER/SPRAY DEODOR	299.7
US Cellular	563-321-3113	228.72
Veenstra & Kimm	JULY/AUGUST CURB&GUTTER REVIEW	1,875.00
Xerox Capital Services	JULY RENT	46
Zep Manufacturing Company	FLASH BRUSH HEAD	110.62
	Total	235,885.58

General Fund	42,230.42
Road Use Tax Fund	112,909.95
Water Utility Fund	1,323.19
Sewer Utility Fund	4,543.01
Electric Utility Fund	74,879.01