

ELECTION, APPOINTMENT AND QUALIFICATION.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ELECTION, APPOINTMENT AND QUALIFICATION OF OFFICERS.

Be it ordained by the Council of the Town of Buffalo, Iowa:

SECTION 1. The regular municipal election shall be held on the last Monday in March of each odd numbered year, and such election shall be conducted in the manner provided by law for general elections.

SECTION 2. The mayor shall, at least ten days previous to any regular municipal election, give notice of such election by proclamation, published in any paper of general circulation in the municipality, which proclamation shall designate the time thereof, the place of voting, and all the offices to be filled by the vote of the electors at such election. In case there is no newspaper published in the municipality then, the notice of election shall be posted in three public places.

SECTION 3. The council shall, at least fifteen days before any election, designate by resolution the place of holding the election.

SECTION 4. There shall be elected at each regular election a mayor, a treasurer, an assessor, and five councilmen, and the candidates receiving the most votes for each office shall be declared elected. In the case of a tie, such tie shall be decided by lot.

SECTION 5. All officers elected at any regular election, except the assessor, shall take office on the first Monday in April succeeding the election, and the assessor shall take office on the first secular day of the next January. All officers shall

hold office for two years and until their successors are elected and qualified.

SECTION 6. At the first meeting of the new council, the council shall elect a clerk. The mayor shall appoint a health physician, a street commissioner, a marshal, and such other officers as shall be provided by ordinance.

SECTION 7. All officers shall qualify by taking and subscribing to an oath to support the constitution of the United States and the State of Iowa and the ordinances of the municipality.

SECTION 8. Before taking their office, the following officers shall file bonds to be approved by the council for the following amounts: Mayor, five hundred dollars; clerk, five hundred dollars; treasurer, three thousand dollars; marshal, one hundred dollars; and street commissioner, one hundred dollars. The bond of the mayor shall be placed in the custody of the clerk and all other bonds shall be in the custody of the mayor.

SECTION 9. In case of vacancy in any elective office, caused by resignation, death, or otherwise, the council shall, at its first regular meeting after such vacancy occurs, or as soon thereafter as practicable, fill such vacancy. The council shall vote by ballot and the person receiving a majority of the votes of the whole number of members shall be declared elected to fill such vacancy. In the case of a vacancy in any appointive office, such vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment was made.

SECTION 10. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 11. This ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

Passed and approved. *March 22nd 1933*

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