

COUNCIL

AN ORDINANCE DEFINING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COUNCIL

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

SECTION 1. All legislative and other powers granted towns shall be exercised by the council, except those conferred upon some other officer by law or ordinance. Neither the council nor the members thereof shall exercise any executive functions, unless expressly conferred by law.

SECTION 2. The first regular meeting of the new council after a regular election shall be held at 12 o'clock noon on the first Monday in April, and all other regular meetings of the council shall be held at 8 o'clock P. M. on the first Monday in each month. All meetings of the council shall be held in the council room in the town hall and shall at all times be open to the public.

SECTION 3. The council, at its first meeting after the biennial election, shall appoint a clerk.

SECTION 4. The mayor, or any three members of the council, shall call special meetings, by notice to each of the members, personally served, or left at his usual place of residence, of which service a record shall be made by the clerk. Such notice shall state the time and purpose of such special meeting.

SECTION 5. Any three members of the council can compel the attendance of the absent members at any regular, adjourned, or duly called meeting, by serving a written notice upon the absent member to attend at once. If any absent member does not attend at once, upon the receipt of said notice, he shall be subject to a penalty of five (\$5.00) dollars, which shall be entered on the minutes and deducted from his salary, or in case no salary is due him, the penalty shall be collected by a suit against him, brought

in the name of the municipality.

SECTION 6. The council shall have the management and control of the finances and of the property, real and personal, belonging to the municipality. The council shall, at the first regular meeting in January of each year, fix by resolution the amount of poll tax to be paid in that year, not over five dollars.

SECTION 7. In all municipal elections the powers and duties made incumbent upon the board of supervisors at general elections shall be performed by the council.

SECTION 8. The council shall have all the powers and perform all the duties that may be provided by the council, the ordinances, or the laws of the state, and each member shall transmit to his successor in office all books, papers, records, documents, and property, together with invoice of the same, in his custody or appertaining to his office.

SECTION 9. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 10. 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*

John A. Prigony Mayor