

REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2024 4 P.M.-TOWN HALL

The Regular meeting of the Town of Buffalo Board was called to order by Chairman Steve James. Roll call: Waters, Drazkowski, Bittner, Strom. Citizens: Jerome Gardner, Jim Burfeind, Jeff Wendt, Dan Wolfe, Ron Henderson, Gordon Albrecht, Dan Rolbiecki, Deb Anderson, Duane Anderson, Roxann Guenther, Jeff Guenther, Molly Anderson, Kristine Wieczorek, Toni and Randy Drier, Lorraine Baures, Michael Ayala and Michael Osman. The meeting was held as noticed. Motion Waters, second James to approve minutes from August 27, 2024 Regular Meeting, August 14, 2024 Special Meeting and September 5, 2024 Special Meeting. All yes, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Balance of September 3, 2024: \$31,490.78. Balance as of September 24, 2024: \$17,888.91. Delinquent Personal Property Taxes have all been paid. Shared Revenue will be received November 18, 2024 for the amount of \$66,716.94. 2025 Shared Revenue will be \$80,293.14. The two CDs are due September, 29, 2024. Fire Department is \$7,651.42 and Furnace is \$5,323.17. Motion Water, second James to renew if now new furnace is needed after serviced and add \$5,000 to Furnace CD and roll over Fire Department CD for 6 more months. All yes, motion carried. Financial Statement reviewed. Bills were read. Motion James, second Waters to accept treasurer's report and pay bills. All yes, motion carried.

Chair: ATV/UTV ordinance was discussed. Residents would like to have access to use Chicken Valley Road. Sheriff Mike Osmond suggested to open up access to Chicken Valley Road with reduced speed for ATV/UTV. The Board has the right to close the road for access for ATV/UTVs if there are issues immediately. Also, there needs to be signage with the speed limit, if the road is open or closed. Signage will help with liability as well. Ordinance needs to be amended. Motion Waters, second Drazkowski to revise map and open Chicken Valley Road to the Recycling Center with reduced speed and proper signage. All yes, motion carried. Intersection of County Road P and Hwy 35/54 has been an issue. Kristen Wieczorek talked about when people pull out of County Road P onto the Highway, people are speeding along Hwy 35/54 and almost causing an accident. The railroad tracks are there and then the Bike trail is adding in a trail as well. There seems to be some issues that will be happening at that intersection. Wondering if there is anything that can be done. Sheriff Mike Osmund stated the 1) Town can send a letter to the State, 2) Emails sent to Sheriff for next Hwy Safety Committee to present to the State Highway Patrol. Snowmobile Club would like to bring forward changes to the trail. Asking 1 mile of Town Road way to be used for the 24/25 season. Broadband is moving along. Promissory Note, Certificate, and Resolution need to be signed. Motion Waters, second Drazkowski to go ahead and sign papers. All yes, motion carried. Park Dedication to be postponed until early spring. Field needs to be fixed again from weeds and sand needs to be replaced in playground. Strom, James and Braaten to work on 2025 budget. Meeting set for October 7, 2024. There is a renewal/upgrading of CAPX line being done. A shovel survey approximately every 10 meters will be done to make sure land is not being destroyed.

1st Supervisor: Town Hall Rental: 4 rentals in September. Front door has been fixed. The switch is changed with new stickers. We need to change battery. Issue with Baures bill for post replacement. Was suppose to be volunteer. Restroom doors have been good. WSU used ballfield. Were very

respectful. Large brush pile at Recycling Center that needs to be burned. Depot Road belongs to Railroad. Someone dumped furniture off. A request was made to wear nametags at elections. Poll workers are not required to wear. Restrooms will be closed in October. Need to contact DNR to replace culvert in Park. Water running over the road and cannot walk across.

2nd Supervisor: Baures bill gone over. Meeting with Buffalo County Highway department about 50/50 joint projects. Still owe \$10,000 from previous.

Clerk: Delinquent Personal Property Taxes have all been paid. November 5 is the next election. Need to order signs and supplies. Election training to be held at the County October 22, 2024 from 1:00pm-6:00 pm. Jeff Strom to help with the website. Town Road signs have been ordered: Shank Lane, Veraguth Drive, Brandhorst Road, Plattes Valley Road, Piepers Valley Road and Thomas Road. If any others need to be replaced to let Clerk know. Looking for a new Auditor. Motion Waters, second Drazkowski to approve Operators License. All yes, motion carried.

Mike Ayala stated the White Company putting in the lines for fiberoptic did not have any flagman while working on Chicken Valley Road causing a dangerous environment coming around a corner.

Next Regular meeting to be held October 22, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Motion Waters, second Drazkowski to adjourn the meeting. All yes, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:19 pm.

Steve James, Chair

Lisa Braaten, Clerk/Treasurer

Date Approved