

REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, JULY 27, 2021 7:00 P.M.-TOWN HALL

The Regular meeting of the Town of Buffalo Board was called to order by Chairman Steve James. Roll call: Waters, Strom, Bittner. Absent: Draskowski. Citizens: Bob Baures, Jerome Gardner, Gordie Albrecht, Steve Scharlau, Dan Wolfe, Deb Anderson, Pat Altoff. The meeting was held as noticed. Motion Waters, second James to approve minutes from June 22, 2021 Regular Meeting. All yes, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Balance as of July 27, 2021 \$11,433.06. Transportation Aid received \$18,455.13. ARPA \$36,162.99, Fire Dues \$2,761.37. Postponed Personal Property Taxes \$259.91 due July 31, 2021. Delinquent Personal Property Taxes \$119.95 (Fleming). Property Taxes from the County to be paid in August. Financial Statement gone over for June and July. Bills were read. Motion Waters, second James to accept treasurer's report and pay bills. All yes, motion carried. CAPX approved loaning Town \$15,000 to cover General Checking.

Chair: Discussion of the American Recovery Plan Act Funds. First half received of \$36,162.99, second half in June 2022. Need to have a plan in play to use money by December 2024. Use the money by December 2026. Ideas to use money on: Park playground equipment and water system. Acoustics and flooring in the Town Hall. Fire Department. Transportation Aid increased: We receive \$18,357 quarterly. Increase to \$18,727 in 2022 and \$19,097 in 2023. Local bridge Assessment Report: looking at Chicken Valley Creek on Bluff Siding Road. Water Analysis Report received from the County: Ok to drink water in the Town Hall and Park. State Highway 35 construction bridge project will remain open at this time. Comprehensive Committee Report: Need to update in 10 years, committee in place, relies on Census data which we have not received yet, on hold until all information is received. Broadband Committee: two people have volunteered. Met with Cochrane Coop which recommended a committee to be formed. Still need more volunteers. Have not received Administration fees of \$6,400 from the 2017 storm. FEMA changed the rules and kicked out \$3000. James working on. ATV/UTV signage is being place by the Trail Riders. Discussion of the Draft Parking Ordinance. Tabled to August meeting. Roads assigned no parking are Bluff Siding Road (portion designated as 3am-10am), Castle Rock Lane, Gold Street, Spur Lane, Thomas Road, Falcon Drive.

1st Supervisor: Town Hall Rental: 7 rentals in July. 8 rentals in 2022 already. Fire extinguishers have been taken to Mississippi Welders for Fire Safety. Park Rental: 1 rental in July. Bathrooms have been cleaned, Water fountain in Park needs to be removed. Shelter needs to be painted. Recycling Center meeting with Waste Transport was held July 8, 2021. Waste Transport is taking over Cochrane site. Governor will be here for dedication of the Scenic Byways.

2nd Supervisor: Baures' bill was gone over. Contract replacement of culver on Brandhorst Road increased by 15%. Distributor agreed to 10%.

Clerk: Discussion of accounting system. Running into problems.

Steve Scharlau has a licensed tree cutter to come in on his property and clean up the trees that are leaning over the road on Chicken Valley Road. A large number of bikes have been speeding on Chicken Valley Road along with weeds over grown. Steve Scharlau agreed to build a turn around in the hillside on Sugar Maple. Dedication of easement on Silver Street to the public. Tentative to split 50/50 with Scharlau and town for surveying to be done by Kleinschmidt Surveying. Deb Anderson has problem with fireworks being shot off by her neighbors across the road at her house. James went over the permit that people need to obtain to shot them off. If problems call the Sheriff.

Open Book to be held September 14, 2021 at 3:00-6:00 pm.

Board of Review to be held September 21, 2021 at 6:00-8:00 pm.

CAPX meeting to be held September 28, 2021 at 6:00pm.

Next Regular meeting to be held August 24, 2021 at 7 pm.

Motion Waters, second James to adjourn the meeting. All yes, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:39 pm.

Steve James, Chair

Lisa Braaten, Clerk

Date Approved