

**Town of Buffalo**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**November 13th, 2017**  
**@7:00 P.M.**  
**Buffalo Town Hall**

Present-Charles Corso, Roger Wallis, Jan Banicki, Jean Rataczak & Laurie Beahm  
Others Present- 19

The Regular Town board meeting was called to order immediately following the Public Budget Hearing.

Motion to approve the agenda by Jan Banicki.

Second by Roger Wallis

IN FAVOR-3      OPPOSED-0      Motion Carried

The board reviewed the October 2017 minutes. Motion to approve the minutes from October 2017, by Roger Wallis.

Second by Jan Banicki.

IN FAVOR-3      OPPOSED-0      Motion Carried.

The Clerk and Treasurer gave their financial reports.

Motion to approve the financial reports as read by Jan Banicki.

Second by Roger Wallis.

IN FAVOR-3      OPPOSED-0      Motion Carried

The board reviewed 3 building permits for the month.

The board reviewed the vouchers presented. Motion to approve the vouchers as presented by Jan Banicki.

Second by Roger Wallis.

IN FAVOR-3      OPPOSED-0      Motion Carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

The Chairman stated that Board of Review met on October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 5:30-8:00.

The Chairman mentioned that the County Highway Dept is helping with the paperwork for a grant to chip seal in the Township. Approximately \$11,000 is anticipated.

Charles Corso stated that the board voted on a proposed ATV Road Route at the last meeting. The board voted to not pass the proposed route. The route will stay as only the existing route.

The Chairman reported that the cost of the Recycling Center Roof Repair that was approved at the October meeting ended up being a total cost of \$226.55

The Board Attended the Annual Towns Association Meeting in the Township of Springfield on October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Motion was made by Roger Wallis to Adopt the 2018 budget as presented. Second by Jan Banicki.  
IN FAVOR-3 OPPOSED-0 MOTION CARRIED

The Board discussed setting a date to adopt the Town Levy and set the mil rate for 2018. The Clerk asked if it could be done prior to the November 30<sup>th</sup> Workshop meeting. Meeting was tentatively set for November 30<sup>th</sup> meeting. Will be posted.

The Montello Fire Department will be purchasing a new fire truck-not to exceed \$575,000.00 Buffalo Townships share would be approximately \$111,577.71. The Fire Department will have final price by December's meeting.

Marquette County Highway Department has a new commissioner. Brian Trebiatowski. He will take over after Thanksgiving.

Charles Corso called the Highway Department and told them not to do any more saw & crack filling until Spring because it is too cold.

Charles Corso described some vandalism in the township. There were 3 signs at grouse & 14<sup>th</sup> road that were knocked over. It was reported to Sheriff Gaffney. The signs have been repaired.

The Board Discussed having a Board of Review Workshop. Mark Brown had offered to attend to help answer questions. There will be no comments from the audience. Motion to have a Board of Review workshop on November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m. By Roger Wallis. Second by Jan Banicki.  
IN FAVOR-3 OPPOSED-0 MOTION CARRIED.

The Board Discussed having a meeting to go over Chapters #3 and Chapter #10 to update and make any changes. Motion to have a meeting on November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m. by Jan Banicki. Second by Roger Wallis.  
IN FAVOR-3 OPPOSED-0 MOTION CARRIED.

The Board reviewed the annual letter for the 2017 tax statements. Motion to approve the annual letter by Jan Banicki. Second by Roger Wallis.  
IN FAVOR-3 OPPOSED-0 MOTION CARRIED.

The Board discussed the approval for the following election workers. ***Peggy Wilson-Wesley Buss-Rebecca Kearns-Lynn Schwochert-Mary Sanfilippo- Cheryl Smith-Roger Banicki-John Furman-Alma Paul-Tracy Wallis***  
Election Workers will be sworn in on December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at the regular meeting. Motion by Jan Banicki to approve the listed workers. Second by Roger Wallis.  
IN FAVOR-3 OPPOSED-0 MOTION CARRIED.

The Town Board will be attending the Annual Christmas Party on December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at Rivers Bend.

### **CITIZEN AND BOARD CONCERNS**

David Larkin asked about if the citizens will be informed of any changes that would be made to the Chapters that are being reviewed. The Clerk explained that these updates are to update the ordinances to reflect the things that no longer apply because the township has their own zoning now. This is not going to happen overnight and the citizens are welcome to come and listen to the discussions. The No Comments from the audience is so that the board can discuss without interruptions. Any one is welcome to contact the board members with questions and comments.

Fred Wollenburg expressed his concern over making changes to the Chapter # 10. He asked that the board look at it closely. Fred also asked who keeps bringing up the ATV road route request. He stated that he could ask for public records request regarding this issue.

Scott Kempley made comments regarding Friends of John Muir-Issues of people parking where they shouldn't be. There are deer with arrows sticking out of them- people gutting deer alongside the road. There is no one policing the property. Fred Wollenburg stated that he would be happy to talk to Scott Regarding the Friends of John Muir. He would like to know exactly what is going on. He is a part of the organization and knows that there is some maintenance going on but he doesn't see them contributing to the problem. He would like to know about the problems. Scott stated that is whoever purchased the Bessy Eggleston property. Charles Corso stated that they would check in to it. Shane Dedrick also explained that there are people gutting deer and hunting where they shouldn't be.

Fred Wollenburg asked to please make sure to check and see who the responsible parties are.

### **Upcoming meeting dates-**

- a. November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m. Board of Review Workshop
- b. November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @6:00 p.m. Ordinance Chapter Review
- c. December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @6:00 p.m. Annual Towns Association Christmas Party
- d. December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m. Regular Town Board Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn by Jan Banicki Second by Roger Wallis  
IN FAVOR-3 OPPOSED-0 MOTION CARRIED

MEETING ADJOURNED