

Town of Buffalo
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 14th, 2018
@Immediately following the Public Hearing
Buffalo Town Hall

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

The Regular Town board meeting was called to order @ 7:12

Motion to approve the agenda by Jan Banicki.

Second by Roger Wallis

IN FAVOR-3 OPPOSED-0 Motion Carried

The board reviewed the April 2018 minutes. Motion to approve the minutes from April 2018, 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 Roger Wallis .

Second by Jan Banicki

IN FAVOR-3 OPPOSED-0 Motion Carried

The board reviewed 4 building permits for the month.

The board reviewed the vouchers presented.

Motion to approve the vouchers as presented by Roger Wallis. Second by Jan Banicki

IN FAVOR-3 OPPOSED-0 Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

The Rezone Request from Richard and Cheryl Heimerl was approved at the April Regular Meeting.

The Chairman gave a report about the Fire Truck-The 2018 Montello Joint Fire District Budget was \$130,150.00. New Truck 1st Payments June 1st, 2018 In the amount of \$53,000.00.

The Board told the citizens that The Nominations for Land Use Board of Appeals and Land Use Planning were approved at the April Regular Meeting.

Charles Church stated that the Road Repairs will be starting in May 2018 for the Town of Buffalo.

The Chairman explained that there will be some road work in the City of Montello. The City will be starting the resurfacing of the Roads in Town. Only One Lane will be open at times. Please Be Patient.

The Ice Age Trail Alliance is purchasing a 49 acre parcel and a 40 acre easement in the Township.

Township has to pay \$1704.74 for public land taxed by mistake-will receive back in 2018.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board discussed the permit fees for driveways in the township. There was a motion by Jan Banicki that a permit be issued at no charge for driveways. Second by Roger Wallis.

IN FAVOR -3 OPPOSED-0 MOTION CARRIED

The Board discussed the Rezone Request from Don and Linda Dahlke.

Motion was made by Roger Wallis to approve the rezone request as amended. Second by Jan Banicki.

IN FAVOR - 3 OPPOSED- 0 MOTION CARRIED

The Green Lake County ATV Club came and spoke about getting a route to go through the township to adjoin with the other routes in Marquette County. Willie Conklin explained that the Green Lake County ATV club would like to see a route through Buffalo so that they could get through to the rest of the routes in the County.

Lynn Schwochert spoke stating that they put an end to this request about the ATV Route.

Fred Wollenburg stated that he thought this was a dead issue.

David Larkin said that it had been clearly established that they don't want an increase in ATV traffic in the township.

Shane Dedrich stated that there is a hardcore group that does not want the routes. Then there's a group that doesn't care and then a group that is strongly for it. Stop all of the scare tactics-it's up to the board. A lot of the issues are a person's own responsibility.

Karen Wollenburg stated that she is against having ATV's on the township roads. People can get permits for farm use if they want to ride in the township. It is disruptive.

Bill Hunter-18th Rd. He is all for having a route and has passed Amish buggies before with no problems. There are many people in favor of a route.

Phil Trahms-17th Rd Opposed to a route.

Peggy Wilson-Disagrees about people not being able to come to the meeting for ATV route requests. The Trial basis on F has had no problems. Agrees with a route through the town because it has a purpose to connect to other routes.

Mary Larkin-Against it where it crosses on 17th road across HWY 22. Against having it go by her house.

Shane Dedrich-Maybe should have the Hwy Dept look at the safety problem of 17th road because everyone thinks it is so unsafe.

The Board Discussed the Beer and Liquor License requests from Woods & Goods and Wilderness Campground.

Motion by Roger Wallis to make Wilderness Campground Liquor License a fee of \$75.00 per year. Second by Jan Banicki. IN FAVOR- 3 OPPOSED – 0 MOTION CARRIED.

The Board approved the 6 Operators licenses for the Wilderness Campground. They are Melanie Weiss, Ashley Weiss, Laramie Weiss, Patti Wakerhauser, Sally Beahm and Alexis Mast.

The Board discussed the Agent as being Melanie Weiss for Wilderness Campground. Motion by Jan Banicki

To approve Melanie Weiss as Agent for the Campground. Second by Roger Wallis

IN FAVOR-3 OPPOSED-0 MOTION CARRIED

The Board discussed the Assessors that they had spoken with and asked many questions of.

Motion by Jan Banicki to approve Associated Appraisals as assessor for the 2019 and following years. Second by Roger Wallis. Will look at contract to approve at next meeting.

IN FAVOR -2 OPPOSED- 1 MOTION CARRIED

Associated Appraisal will be notified that the board would like a written contract.

The Board discussed the possibility of having the county do earlier plowing and splitting the east and west sides of the highway to get the plowing done faster.

The Board discussed having a levy to cover the cost of the unpaid fire calls. There are 665 parcels in the township. If there is a Levy of \$20 per parcel it would be a total of \$13,300 to help with fire calls. This would be done on an as needed basis if this were to be implemented.

The board discussed raising the salaries of the election workers.

Motion by Jan Banicki to leave the salary as is at \$10.00 per hour. Second by Roger Wallis.

IN FAVOR-3 OPPOSED-0 MOTION CARRIED

The Chairman reminded the citizens that they have to get a burning permit to burn even in a burn barrel. Also need to call the DNR to check the daily fire conditions before they start to burn.

The Chairman stated that the DOT is in the process of installing the Horse & Buggy signs along the highway from Pardeeville to Montello.

The Chairman read a letter that he wrote to the DNR. He also read a letter that was received from a candidate that withdrew from the running for the 42nd district. The Candidate was Clifford Arthur.

The board will be hosting the Wisconsin Towns Association on October 28th, 2018 in the Lower Level of the Fortify Bank in Montello.

The Board discussed the fixing of the potholes and all of the needed repairs.

CITIZEN AND BOARD CONCERNS

NONE AT THIS TIME

Upcoming meeting dates-

1. Upcoming meeting dates:

Mays meetings are May 18th from 5:00-7:00 for Open Book and

May 25th from 5:30-7:30 for Board of Review also for June as follows.

- a. **Thursday June 7th, 2018 @7:00 p.m.-Land Use Meeting (4 Rezone Requests)**
- b. **Monday June 11th, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m.-Public Hearings for Lambert-Madigan-**
- c. **Schwartz & Schwartz & Miller**
- d. **Monday June 11th, 2018 @ after public hearings-Regular Town Board Meeting.**
- e. **Monday July 9th, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m.-Regular Town Board Meeting**

Motion to Adjourn by Jan Banicki - Second by Roger Wallis

IN FAVOR-3 OPPOSED-0 MOTION CARRIED

MEETING ADJOURNED