

**Town Meeting**  
**Town of Buffalo**  
**July 14, 2014**  
**7 P.M.**

The Chairman called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Jean Rataczak, Donna Seddon, Charles Corso, Mary-Anne Raab, Jan Banicki  
Others: Robert Brockway, Gary Napralla, Laura Rygiewicz, Wesley Buss, Joe Duffy, Neil Miller, Harley Hochstetler, Mike Gunther, Bunny Paul, Scott Kempley, Ryan McReath, Dan Lalor, David Rieckmann, Steve Buchanan, Fredrika Paul, Charles Church, Shane Dedrick, Donna Dedrick, Cheryl Anderson, Will Anderson, Craig Wheeler, Marianne Hanson, Pat Corso, Dave Hartwig, Kathy Hartwig, Becki King, John Goetz, Laura Bro

Agenda

Jan Banicki, second by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to approve the agenda as read. Motion carried.

Minutes

Mary-Anne Raab, second by Jan Banicki, made a motion approve the June 9, 2014 Town Board meeting minutes as read. Motion carried.

Finance Reports

Jean Rataczak gave the Treasurer's report.

Donna Seddon gave the budget report. Discussion followed.

Jan Banicki, second by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to accept the finance reports as read. Motion carried.

Review of Building Permits

The permits were reviewed.

Update on 16<sup>th</sup> Road Bridge

The Town of Buffalo does not own the bridge. It is owned by Union Pacific Railroad. The bridge is rated at 42% now and a new inspection report will be available in August. The bridge is posted "5 Ton" maximum. Fines for exceeding 5 tons will be doubled. Residents of 16<sup>th</sup> Road where invited to comment on the bridge situation. Twelve people spoke explaining the history of repair on the bridge. The bridge is thought to be 100 year old. Most residents were in favor of replacing or repairing the bridge and wanted to know how much it would cost. It is unknown how much it would cost to replace the bridge. The Town Board will continue to try to persuade Union Pacific to repair the bridge.

Freeman Miller Request for Rezoning, County Road F

Jan Banicki, second by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to forward the zoning request to the Land Use Planning Commission to be heard July 17, 2014 at 7 p.m. Motion carried.

Amish School Signs

The new Amish School on 16<sup>th</sup> Road will need 2 new school signs for the road. Jan Banicki, second by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to have the Highway Department install 2 new school signs. Motion carried.

#### Road Repair—16<sup>th</sup> Drive Problems

Two wet spots were identified that have to be repaired before 16<sup>th</sup> Drive can be resurfaced. Mary-Anne Raab, second by Jan Banicki, made a motion to repair the wet spots on 16<sup>th</sup> Drive for \$2,364.50. Motion carried.

#### Road Repair—15<sup>th</sup> Road Guard Rail

Wesley Buss is requesting a guard rail on the east side of 15<sup>th</sup> Road. The cost will be \$1,105.50. Jan Banicki, second by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to table this item until next month when the Board will have more information. Motion carried.

#### Revisit road Sign Replacement—13<sup>th</sup> Road and Gillette Road

A petition was received by the Town Clerk on July 7, 2014 and was introduced to the Town Board. The petition request that the stop sign be replaced by a yield sign at the end of Gillette Avenue and 13<sup>th</sup> Road. There are fourteen signatures. Discussion followed. Mary-Anne Raab, second by Jan Banicki, made a motion to not act on the change sign request. Motion carried.

#### Recycle Center Camera Update

Charles Corso is requesting the Town purchase a new camera for \$235.00. Discussion followed concerning how much garbage is left outside the gates and that the single camera is not able to photo all angles. To prosecute offenders, the Town would have to have an ordinance or update a current ordinance. Signs would have to be posted on the Recycle Center fence. Jan Banicki, second by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to borrow a trail camera from Scott Kempley for 60 days. Motion carried.

#### Correspondence

None.

#### Citizen and Board Concerns

- A. Shane Dedrick would like the Town to contact our State Representatives to help find money for repair or replacement of the 16<sup>th</sup> Road Bridge.
- B. Thank you to the Committee that volunteered to check our town roads for problem areas that can benefit by having additional signage. Buggy signs are starting to be installed on B to Kingston; O and F; F to Columbia County and the State will install signs on Hwy 22 from Barry Road to Lalor's.
- C. Thank you to Ed Gawel for his help with the cameras and Rich Rygiewicz for helping with the grading by the Recycle Center.

#### Review and Approve Vouchers

The vouchers were presented and discussed. Jan Banicki, second by Mary-Anne Raab, made a motion to approve payment of the vouchers. Motion carried.

#### Affirm Meeting Dates

The next Town Board Meeting is August 11, 2014 at 7 p.m.

#### Business Concluded

Mary-Anne Raab, second by Jan Banicki, made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Submitted by Donna Seddon, Town Clerk