

**TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF BUFFALO
August 10th, 2015
BUFFALO TOWN HALL**

The Chairman Charles Corso called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Charles Corso, Jan Banicki, Ryan McReath, Jean Rataczak & Laurie Beahm

Others in attendance were 12

The Chairman opened the public hearing regarding request from A Thomas Reblin & Lee Cresca. Charles Corso stated that the request had been withdrawn. Public meeting closed.

Agenda Approval

Jan Banicki made a motion to approve the agenda as read. Second by Ryan McReath
Motion carried.

Minutes Approval

Jan Banicki made a motion to approve the Minutes from the July 13th meeting. Second by Ryan McReath. Motion Carried.

Finance Reports

Checks & Receipts Report was Read by Jean Rataczak.

Budget Detail was Reported by Laurie Beahm. Motion was made by Ryan McReath to accept the financial reports second by Jan Banicki. Motion Carried.

Review of Building Permits

Building Permits were reviewed.

Review and Approve Vouchers

Motion was made by Ryan McReath to Approve the Vouchers. Second by Jan Banicki. Motion Carried.

Guest Speaker Kari Solis

Kari Solis came to give a talk on room tax and how it is used in the County. She explained that everything collected is split and that 30% stays in the township. The money collected is used for advertisement and marketing to let people from outside our area know what our County has to offer.

Discussion on pricing for handicap van spaces.

It was stated that the Highway department pricing for doing the work for the handicap van spaces including paving, marking spaces and putting up signs would cost \$3517.25. Motion by Ryan McReath to accept pricing and proceed with work. Second by Jan Banicki. Motion Carried.

Filling of abandoned well pricing.

Charles Corso stated that the cost of filling in of the old well would be \$528.00. The well is 78 feet deep. As soon as this was done the County Highway Dept would grade and finish over the top. Motion to approve the cost of \$528.00 to fill in well was made by Ryan McReath. Second by Jan Banicki. Motion Carried.

Information on Microphone and Recording Equipment.

Charles Corso gave pricing on Microphone/Speaker equipment including recording device. Cost would be \$598.00 including everything. Motion by Jan Banicki to approve cost of \$598.00 for equipment. Second by Ryan McReath. Motion Carried.

Board discussion and decision on new lighting for Recycling Center and Hall.

Charles Corso explained that the new lighting would be LED 48 watt. There will be a charge of \$37.00 per month. Ryan McReath stated that the new lighting would fit in to the towns comprehensive plan. Motion was made by Ryan McReath to accept the lighting proposal. Second by Jan Banicki. Motion Carried.

New stop signs for town Status.

Charles Corso stated that all of the new stop signs that were mandatory have all been installed in township.

Status on road work in Township.

Charles Corso stated that the work on 12th Ave is done as of 8/10/2015. The highway dept said that they were going to try to finish Golden Road by end of next week. (approx 08/24/2015?) It was stated that the road work on 13th to Gillette is still on hold until all of the logging is done.

Need for Election workers.

The chairman stated that we are looking for election workers for the upcoming 2016 election year. There are 4 elections in 2016. February 16th, 2016 - April 5, 2016 – August 9, 2016 - November 8, 2016. Please notify the Clerk if you are interested.

Open Book

There were 6 people that attended the open book. All questions were answered.

Decision on farmland Preservation.

Motion by Ryan McReath to approve farmland preservation and the map. Second by Jan Banicki. Motion Carried.

Letter to Logging Company.

Charles Corso explained that a letter was written to Scott Koerner about statute 86.02 regarding the responsibility of any damage to township roads.

Zoning Contract

Discussion of new contract fee of \$7500.00 plus expenses which would begin Jan 1st 2016. Motion by Ryan McReath to accept contract for 2016. Second by Charles Corso. Jan Banicki abstained. Motion Carried.

Dead Trees along roadside.

Charles Corso asked that everyone help with assisting in getting rid of dead trees along the road. Please use good judgment if it is too big of a project to do on own. If project is too big contact one of the board members and they will handle. Please check along your roads for any brushing that needs to be done.

Standard Insurance

Standard Insurance has requested information from all board and committee members. Standard insurance handles the towns workers comp insurance as well as building and records.

Board of Revue Alternate

We are in need of another BOR alternate. Laura Rygiewicz has decided to not take position.

Board and Citizen Concerns

Ryan McReath read notice of the clean sweep coming up on Saturday August 29th at the Marquette County Highway Department from 8:00 a.m. to noon.

Question was brought up about receiving recordings of meetings. Will check to see if there are any reason we can't make copies. Board will decide on cost if someone requests recordings.

Next meeting

Land Use will be on August 20th, 2015 @ 7:00 p.m.

Town Board meeting September 14th, 2015 @ 7:00 p.m.

Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn made by Ryan McReath, Second by Jan Banicki. Motion Carried.