

**CITY OF BUFFALO CITY REGULAR MEETING-
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2026-MUNICIPAL BUILDING – 7:00 PM**

The regular meeting of the City of Buffalo City Common Council was called to order by Mayor Ben Holien at 7 p.m. Roll call: Jeannie Czaplewski, George Fuller, Hank Rollinger and Kim Beseler. City Superintendent Eric Mann. Citizens present: Carol Burmeister and John Kriesel. Motion Beseler, second Fuller to approve previous meeting minutes. All yes, motion carried.

Citizens – Kriesel and Burmeister were at meeting to ask what the council knows about the County Road OO project. They were told the council doesn't know anything until the informational meeting on Wednesday. Burmeister also asked if the comprehensive plan would be reviewed because the pickleball group is finding grants asking for the City's comprehensive plan to include recreation and pickleball. Holien told her the plan would be reviewed in the next several months. He is looking to put a group of citizens together to review it.

Finance – Czaplewski discussed audit and updates made to processes. The audit was done in mid-January. Final audit reports should be ready for approval in the next month.

Recreation – Fuller said the Community Action Committee's Annual Ice Fishing Contest went very well. Good weather and good attendance. Discussion on ATV going through ice. No one was hurt. Nice to see kids using skating rink. Council would like to thank Joe Mrozek for all his help with the rink.

Building – 3 Permits issued this month. Mayor presented an anonymous letter about a garage being converted into living space on 1st Street without a permit. Owner's will be contacted.

Cemetery – Council reviewed increases in cemetery rates to offset cost of contracting grave digging. Rates are in line with other cemeteries in the area. Policy to have cremations only in a vault will also be changed to allow cremations in a non bio-degradable container or in a vault. Motion Beseler, second Czaplewski to approve the new cemetery rates and policies effective immediately. All yes, motion carried. Clerk said she has been in touch with the Huebsch family member about creating a new fund. Voiding the old contract will be very spendy and the City attorney advised it could take a lot of time as well. Will move forward with creating a new agreement and talk with Huebsch family member.

Health & Safety – Beseler said the City will need to do a spring check for unregistered and junk vehicles in yards. She is seeing more and more.

Mayor's Update – Reviewed updates in employee handbook. Clarification on comp time and PTO time. Motion Fuller, second Czaplewski to approve updates to employee handbook. All yes, motion carried. Reminder that the County Road OO meeting will be this Wednesday at 5:30pm at the C-FC School. Would also like to discuss safety concerns on a few areas of the road that Holien would like included in the project.

Motion Fuller, second Czaplewski pay bills. All yes, motion carried. Motion Beseler, second Fuller, to adjourn. All yes, motion carried.

Ben Holien, Mayor

Jenny Ehlenfeldt, Clerk

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