

**CITY OF BUFFALO CITY REGULAR MEETING-
MONDAY, JULY 13, 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. Also present: City Superintendent Eric Mann. Citizens present: Lisa Palkowski, Karson Lentz Motion Fuller, second Czaplewski to approve previous minutes. All yes, motion carried.

Citizens - Lentz said he had a contractor come look at pickleball site and they felt if it was built there it would flood the skating rink shack if it was constructed there. Holien thanked Lentz for looking at it and City would look into it more.

Recreation –Community Action Committee felt the 4th event was very successful. A lot of people in attendance. The FFA, Swim Pool and VFW had good sales. Holien said the committee did well planning the event. Fuller said the committee needs new people to help.

Building – 5 new permits issued. Fuller would like to discuss the height requirement for a detached garage. The height was extended to 18’ several years ago. Fuller feels the way garages are built today our requirement may not be tall enough. All other setbacks would still have to be met. Ordinance change would require a public hearing.

Cemetery – Beseler discussed old monuments with a few other cemeteries about fixing old monuments. Most are maintained by families or with monument companies through insured families. Some contract with cement company to take care of footings if some seem dangerous. Huebsch donation was received.

Health & Safety – Meeting prior to tonight’s council. Discussed weed ordinance and unlicensed vehicles. Mowing/Weed ordinance will be re-written. Unlicensed vehicles will continue to follow up on and potentially have towed. Discussion on 10th/Herman. Not having any luck getting a hold of property owner. Beseler discussed fireworks and how the city handles complaints. Council consensus would have to contact sheriff office. Beseler asked why wouldn’t we get rid of ordinance. Fuller feels law enforcement is going to be lenient on the 4th of July no matter what.

Mayor’s Update – Holien has been contacted by the snowmobile club that the Foelsch park lease has threatened to cut off access to the snowmobile trail due to what he feels is an issue with the trail running through his fields. Holien will propose amending lease to reduce cost by \$500 starting next year and the snowmobile trail will be allowed because it is the City’s decision and City land. The \$500 discount will be for 2027 and 2028 until the lease is up for renewal again as long as the lease is paid before the April 1st deadline.

City Superintendent – Working on bids on shop shed and other things to prepare for budget.

City Clerk –

Motion Fuller , second Beseler to approve Operator’s License for Schermerhorn (B&S). All yes, motion carried.

Motion Fuller, second Beseler to convene into closed session per WI Statute 19.85(1)(c) to discuss employee evaluations and compensation;

Motion Czaplewski, second Beseler to return to open session per WI Statute 19.85(2). Motion Beseler, second Fuller to approve raise for **\$1 for part-time employooyee**

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

Ben Holien, Mayor

Jenny Ehlenfeldt, Clerk

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