

Call to Order at 6:31 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Council members Flanagan, O'Donnell, Robertson, Lijewski, Mayor Humphrey

Staff Present: City Manager; Darwin Watson, City Clerk; Amy Fidler, Deputy Clerk; Nancy Griffin

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Humphrey, seconded by Robertson to remove items C, BS&A Software Purchase (Timesheet Module) and G, 360 Risk Management Consulting Agreement (Human Resource and Risk Management) from New Business in the agenda:

Voice Vote, Motion Carried.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Flanagan, seconded by Robertson to approve the agenda:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: O'Donnell, Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion by Robertson, seconded by Flanagan to approve the consent agenda:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, O'Donnell, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Public Comment: None

New Business

Sewer Repair (29 Norton): Motion by Lijewski, seconded by Flanagan to approve Versaw Earthworks Excavating and Trucking for the sewer repair at 29 Norton in the amount of \$12,400 (\$7400 for the property owner and \$5000 for the city) based on the agreement with the property owner:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Flanagan, O'Donnell, Lijewski, Robertson, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

317 North Whittaker: Motion by O'Donnell, seconded by Robertson to table the resolution to vacate the surplus right-of-way and convey the land to accommodate the existing encroachment at 317 North Whittaker Street (11-62-0340-0452-05-4) until the City Manager talks to the City Attorney regarding a license agreement:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Lijewski, Robertson, Flanagan, O'Donnell, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Alternate Date for July Board of Review Meeting: Motion by Flanagan, seconded by Lijewski to approve the resolution allowing for an alternate July 2022 Board of Review Date:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Robertson, O'Donnell, Lijewski, Flanagan, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Alternate Date for December Board of Review Meeting: Motion by Flanagan, seconded by Lijewski to approve the resolution allowing for an alternate December 2022 Board of Review Date:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: O'Donnell, Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Level Test: Motion by Robertson, seconded by Lijewski to approve the resolution establishing the Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Level Test for the City of New Buffalo:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Flanagan, O'Donnell, Robertson, Lijewski, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Special Use Permit Request Suspension: Motion by Flanagan, seconded by Lijewski to approve the suspension of any special use permit requests for residential dwellings in the Central Business and Waterfront Marina districts until December 31, 2022:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, O'Donnell, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Galien River Sanitary District Alternate Representative: Motion by Robertson, seconded by Lijewski to approve the appointing of City Manager Darwin Watson as the alternate to the Galien River Sanitary District:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Lijewski, Robertson, O'Donnell, Flanagan, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Lawn Treatment Contract – Oselka Park: Motion by Flanagan, seconded by Lijewski to approve contracting with Green Kings Lawn Care for lawn care at Oselka Park:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Flanagan, O'Donnell, Robertson, Lijewski, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Beach Concession Agreement – Kona Dunes Leasing, Inc.: Motion by Lijewski, seconded by Flanagan to approve entering into an agreement for beach concessions with Kona Dunes Leasing, Inc. for the season of 2022 in the amount of \$2500, and the season of 2023 in the amount of 3500.:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: O'Donnell, Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Pokagon Fund Grant: Motion by Flanagan, seconded by Robertson to approve accepting the Pokagon Fund Grant in the amount of \$1500.00 as sponsorship for Mayor Humphrey's participation in Lake Michigan College's 2022 Leadership Accelerator Academy:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Lijewski, Robertson, O'Donnell, Flanagan, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Board Appointment: Motion by Robertson, seconded by Flanagan to approve appointing Debbie Schmidt to the Planning Commission to fill a vacancy for the term expiring May 2024:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Flanagan, O'Donnell, Robertson, Lijewski, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Zoning Board of Appeals Resolution: Motion by Robertson, seconded by Flanagan to approve the Zoning Board of Appeals Resolution:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, O'Donnell, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

First Reading of Ordinance Amendment- Chapter 23 (Rental Housing): Motion by Lijewski, seconded by Flanagan to approve the first reading of the amendments to the New Buffalo Code of Ordinances – Chapter 23 (Rental Housing):

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: O'Donnell, Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Adjournment: Motion by Robertson, seconded by Flanagan to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Flanagan, O'Donnell, Robertson, Lijewski, Mayor Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

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February 22, 2022

NEW BUFFALO REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

6:30 p.m.

John Humphrey, Mayor

Ann M. Fidler, City Clerk