

Mayor Humphrey called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The City Council led the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Flanagan, Humphrey, Lijewski, Price, Robertson

Staff Present: City Manager Watson, City Clerk; Amy Fidler, Deputy Clerk; Amber Schroeder

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Council member Flanagan, seconded by Council member Lijewski to approve the agenda:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Price, Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Council member Robertson, seconded by Council member Lijewski to approve the consent agenda:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, Price, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Public Comment:

Mark Gabryszewski

Ron Watson

Allison Fuhrman

Closed Session: Motion by Council Member Flanagan, seconded by Council Member Lijewski to approve going into closed session under Section 8 (H) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss a written legal opinion subject to attorney-client privilege and exempt from disclosure pursuant to Section 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act at 6:38 p.m.:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Flanagan, Price, Lijewski, Robertson, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Mayor Humphrey stated that the council reconvene to open session at 7:01 p.m.

Public Hearing

Amendment to Downtown Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan of the City of New Buffalo's Downtown Development Authority:

Mayor Humphrey opened the public hearing for the amendment to downtown development plan and tax increment financing plan of New Buffalo's Downtown Development Authority at 7:01 p.m.

Public Comment:

Sandra Sporleder – Library Representative

Mayor Humphrey closed the public hearing for the amendment to downtown development plan and tax increment financing plan of New Buffalo's Downtown Development Authority at 7:02 p.m.

New Business

Amendment to Downtown Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan of the City of New Buffalo's Downtown Development Authority: Motion by Council member Flanagan, seconded by Council member Price to approve the first reading of the first amendment to the Downtown Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Lijewski, Robertson, Flanagan, Price, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Renewal of Fire Service Agreement with New Buffalo Township: Motion by Council member Robertson, seconded by Council member Flanagan to approve the renewal of the Fire Service Agreement with New Buffalo Township in the amount of \$60,000.:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Robertson, Price, Lijewski, Flanagan, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

BS&A Cloud Service: Motion by Council member Price, seconded by Council Member Lijewski to approve the contract for BS&A Cloud Service and Software Upgrade in the amount of \$51,135:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Price, Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Awarding of Solid Waste Collection and Recycling and Yard Waste Collection Contract: Motion by Mayor Humphrey, seconded by Council member Lijewski to approve Lakeshore Recycling as the vendor for the solid waste collection, recycling, and yard waste:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Price, Robertson, Lijewski, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED: Flanagan

Motion Carried, 4-0.

Public Relations Agreement: Motion by Council member Price, seconded by Council member Flanagan to approve entering into a 12-month agreement with Civic Savvy for \$875 per month:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, Price, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Whittaker Street Bridge Repairs: Motion by Council member Flanagan, seconded by Council member Price to approve the contract for King Company for the necessary bridge repairs in the amount of \$34,600:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Lijewski, Robertson, Price, Flanagan, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-00

Awarding of Contract – R. Yoder Construction, Inc. (Oselka Park Pavilion): Motion by Council member Price, seconded by Council member Robertson to approve awarding the pavilion work at Oselka Park to R. Yoder Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$149,247:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Flanagan, Price, Robertson, Lijewski

NAYES: Humphrey

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 4-1.

Awarding of Contract – E.I. Construction (Marina Painting): Motion by Council member Robertson, seconded by Council member Lijewski to approve awarding the marina painting to E.I. Construction in the amount of \$9,200:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Price, Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Awarding of Contracts – J. Ranck Electric, Inc. and Marine Electrical Equipment, Inc. (Municipal Marina Utility Upgrades Project): Motion by Council Member Robertson, seconded by Council Member Price to approve the awarding construction to J. Ranck Electric Inc., and the equipment procurement to Marine Electrical Equipment, Inc. in the amounts of \$449,539 and \$97,913:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Lijewski, Robertson, Price, Flanagan, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Annual Year-End Salary Adjustment: Motion by Council Member Price, seconded by Council Member Flanagan to approve the annual year-end salary adjustment for the city's 32 full and part-time employees:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Flanagan, Price, Robertson, Lijewski, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Site Plan Approval – Lake Michigan Yacht Club (200 Lake Drive): Motion by Council Member Flanagan, seconded by Council Member Lijewski to approve the site plan for Lake Michigan Yacht Club located at 200 Lake Drive:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, Price, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Site Plan Approval – Postboy (207 N. Whittaker and 16 East Merchant Street): Motion by Council Member Robertson, seconded by Council Member Price to approve the site plan for Postboy located at 207 N. Whittaker and 16 East Merchant Street:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Price, Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, Humphrey
NAYES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Article Addition to the City’s Code of Ordinances (Chapter 12) – Second Reading: Motion by Council Member Robertson, seconded by Council Member Flanagan to approve the second reading of the addition of Article VI to Chapter 12 of the New Buffalo Code of Ordinances pertaining to vacant buildings in the city:

Roll Call Vote:
AYES: Flanagan, Price, Robertson, Lijewski, Humphrey
NAYES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Ordinance to Repeal Article XIII of Chapter 2 and amend Chapters 7 and 14 of the City’s Code of Ordinances: Motion by Council Member Robertson, seconded by Council Member Flanagan to approve the first reading of the ordinance to repeal Article XIII of Chapter 2 and amend Chapters 7 and 14 of the City’s Code of Ordinances:

Roll Call Vote:
AYES: Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, Price, Humphrey
NAYES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

Adjournment: Motion by Council member Flanagan, seconded by Council member Lijewski to approve adjourning the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:
AYES: Lijewski, Robertson, Price, Flanagan, Humphrey
NAYES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

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John Humphrey, Mayor

Ann M. Fidler, City Clerk