

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF LEON  
CITY OF BUFFALO

ON THIS THE 28<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2022, THE BUFFALO CITY COUNCIL MET IN A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT THE BUFFALO CITY HALL AND CONVENTION CENTER BUILDING.

PRESENT: Mayor Jerrod Jones, Councilmembers Dianne Ryder, Mike Glick, Tommy Reese, Brent Reeder, Martin Housler, Attorney Jerry Nowlin and Secretaries Julie Uptmor, Rita Baty, and Angeles Valles-Villa.

ABSENT: None

VISITORS: Gil Gregory, Mike Anderson, Trey Traylor, Susan Wilder, Lance Pavelka, Gage Richey, Trinity Haney, Randall & Christy Hammond, Murat Edem, Brandy Mutschler, Ashley Teague, McKenzie Mutschler, Jacob McCurry, Olga Medic, Nihada Grebobic, Arnold Bernardino, Nancy Spivey, Drek & Mandy Tomplait, Keith Cook, Mandy Pickett, and Jacob Davis, who arrived sometime during the Closed Session.

**Regular Meeting:**

- A. CALL TO ORDER @ 6:00 PM
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, TEXAS PLEDGE, AND INVOCATION
- C. PUBLIC COMMENTS, RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS-
  - 1) Arnold Bernardino spoke on behalf of Ameri-Tex Services regarding their desire to bid on the upcoming garbage contract.
  - 2) Keith Cook advised the council that he had already spoken to the city attorney, Jerry Nowlin, regarding his attendance and did not need to address them further.
  - 3) Brandy Mutschler requested that her statement be in Closed Session due to sensitivity of the matter as related to her minor child.
- D. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES- None.
- E. DEPARTMENT REPORTS
  - 1-5) Chief Pavelka introduced new Part Time Officer Gage Richey. Mike Anderson made an editorial comment regarding the Downtown Revitalization Project continuing to cause issues to business owners. Motion by Ryder and second by Glick to approve the Department Reports for Police, Fire, Municipal Court, Library, and Engineering. Motion carries.
- F. PUBLIC HEARINGS- None.
- G. CONSENT AGENDA
  - 1-5) Motion by Reese and second by Reeder to approve the Consent Agenda items. Motion carries.
- H. REGULAR AGENDA  
OLD BUSINESS
  - 1) Council took no action on MRB Group's Request for Contract Amendment to Downtown Revitalization Program (DRP) Grant, Hwy 79 Northside Sidewalk from Fairfield to Avant St., Engineering Amendment No. 1, CDBG DRP#7219072 (Hwy 79) – MRB Project No. 0236.2001.

- 2) Council received an update on current staffing issues with the Buffalo Police Department. Council made recommendations on how to improve daily coverage and the need to advertise for a full-time officer. No other action taken.
- 3) Council was advised by the city attorney, Jerry Nowlin, on progress made towards getting an accurate city limit map. He will update the council when he receives more information. No further action taken.

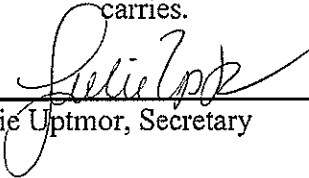
#### NEW BUSINESS

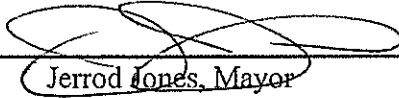
- 1) Motion by Ryder and second by Reese to approve the Application for Hotel/ Motel Occupancy Funds for the Buffalo Pro Rodeo, September 16 – 17, 2022, at the Leon County Expo Center in the amount of \$15,000.00. Motion carries.
  - 2) Motion by Glick and second by Reeder to approve the Post Event analysis for the Buffalo High School Boy's Christmas Basketball Shootout Tournament. Buffalo ISD will issue a refund check for unspent funds in the amount of \$995.00. Motion carries.
  - 3) Motion by Glick and second by Ryder to approve the Recommendation of the Selection Review Committee to Award by Resolution Goodwin Lasiter Strong for Engineering Services as related to the American Rescue Plan Act Program form the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF) for installation, repair, and/ or replacement of city Water and Sewer Infrastructure. Motion carries.
  - 4) Motion by Glick and second by Housler to approve the Recommendation of the Selection Review Committee to Award by Resolution Traylor & Associates Inc for administrative services in conjunction with the submittal of an application for funding through the 2022 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for DR-4485 COVID- 19 Pandemic to provide application preparation, project administration, and project-related management services, if awarded. Motion carries.
  - 5) Motion by Housler and second by Ryder to approve the Recommendation of the Selection Committee to Award by Resolution MRB Group for engineering services in conjunction with the submittal of an application for funding through the 2022 hazard Mitigation Grant Program for DR-4485 COVID-19 Pandemic to provide application preparation and project implementation, if awarded. Motion carries.
  - 6) Council discussed needed roof repairs for the Fire Department and Library. The Municipal Court building was also discussed as far as updating to make more secure with more usable space. No other action taken.
  - 7) Motion by Ryder and second by Reeder to approve the Order of Cancellation of the May 7, 2022, General Election. Motion carries.
  - 8) The discussion regarding the employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the police chief was moved into Closed Session upon request by a complainant.
- I. CLOSED SESSION- The council went into Closed Session at 7:19 pm pursuant to Section 551.074 regarding personnel matters.
- 1) Discuss employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the police chief.
- J. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION- The council came of Closed Session at 9:59 pm with the following action:
- 1) Motion by Ryder and second by Housler to table the employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the police chief until more information could be obtained. Motion carries.

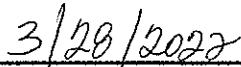
K. COUNCIL COMMENTS – Glick asked if the maintenance department could place barriers in the downtown area where the holes for the lights are exposed due to safety concerns. Mayor Jones agreed.

L. MAYOR COMMENTS- Mayor Jones announced that the city will be hosting a Citywide Easter Egg Hunt on April 9, 2022, at 10:00 am.

M. ADJOURN – Motion by Ryder and second by Reeder to adjourn at 10:01 pm. Motion carries.

  
Julie Uptmor, Secretary

  
Jerrod Jones, Mayor

  
Date Approved

