

**City of Buxton  
Meeting Minutes**

December 17, 2020 @ 7:00 PM  
Buxton Fire Hall

**Present:** Keaton Flanagan, Travis Soderberg, Holly Aamold and via telephone Jeff Siewert

**Recording:** Jackie Siewert, Auditor

Meeting called to order by Council President Travis Soderberg

Due to the unexpected passing of Mayor Gene Rosholt, Council President Travis Soderberg will assume the responsibilities of the Mayor until a new Mayor is elected / appointed.

Meeting minutes from the November 12th meeting were read. Holly Aamold requested for clarification that the old city sign will not be hauled to the city tree pile but disposed of in a different manner. Travis Soderberg clarified that the old city sign will not be disposed of at the tree pile. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Keaton Flanagan; seconded by Jeff Siewert via telephone; motion passed unanimous.

The following bills were presented for payment:

Direct	Waste Management	\$3601.68
Direct	Xcel Energy	\$895.67
12417	AE2S	\$41080.00
12418	Florian's & Sons	\$128005.00
12419	VOID	VOID
12420	East Central Regional Water Dist	\$198.55
12421	Exotic Metal Works	\$450.00
12422	Midco	\$37.10
12423	Thomas Moe	\$150.00
12424	Traill County Highway Department	\$437.10
12425	Traill County Tribune	\$272.88
12426	US Post Office	\$56.00
12427	Xcel Energy	\$19.09
12428	Jaqueline Siewert	\$1385.25
12429	3D Specialties	\$494.93
12430	Traill County Tribune	\$376.56
12431	ND Sewage Pump Lift Station Svc Co	\$11135.00

Holly Aamold motioned to approve the bills, Keaton Flanagan seconded the motion; motion passed unanimous.

Curtis Hong and Scott Hong addressed the city council at the November meeting in regards to building on the property west of Gary Fuglesten's. After further discussion and research they decided it was too costly to obtain street access. They are now interested in building on Scott Hong's property north of Warren Brend's residence.

Scott Hong submitted a petition to annex Parcel# 3000104349000 Blk 2 of SW ¼ 25-148-51A-2.63. Jeff Siewert made a motion to accept Scott Hong's petition to annex Parcel# 3000104349000 Blk 2 of SW ¼ 25-148-51A-2.63 and forward it to our attorney for further review; Holly Aamold seconded the motion; motion passed unanimous.

Holly Aamold requested that the council review the idea of waiving a portion or all of the 2021 city liquor and beer license fees for The Barn & Grill and the Triple VVV because of the restrictions and limitations put on the businesses due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The cost for each establishment is \$1200. The council members feel that they could adjust the budget to offset the \$2400. It was also discussed that other area cities are waiving their license fees. Holly Aamold made a motion to waive the 2021 city liquor and beer license fees of \$1200 for The Barn & Grill and the Triple VVV; Keaton Flanagan seconded the motion; motion passed unanimous.

Jackie Siewert explained to the council that in further research of the City of Buxton – Lake Agassiz Regional Council Buxton Community Development account the only living authorized signee on the account is Gary Fuglesten. Jackie requested that the council authorize the current account be closed and the funds transferred to the City of Buxton's General Fund. Keaton Flanagan made a motion to authorize the City of Buxton – Lake Agassiz Regional Council Buxton Community Development account be closed and the funds transferred to the General Fund; Jeff Siewert seconded the motion; motion passed unanimous.

Jackie Siewert requested that a new savings account be opened and to utilize that account for holding the funds/assessments that are received for the Sewer Improvement District #2019-1 and Street Improvement District #2019-1. Holly Aamold made a motion to open a savings account and to utilize that account for holding the funds/assessments that are received for the Sewer Improvement District #2019-1 and Street Improvement District #2019-1; Keaton Flanagan seconded the motion; motion passed unanimous.

Jackie Siewert advised the council that the City of Buxton's checks require two signatures. Jeff Siewert made a motion to add Travis Soderberg as authorized signee to the City of Buxton's checking account and newly opened savings account; Keaton Flanagan seconded the motion; motion passed unanimous.

Brady Otteson informed Travis Soderberg that the ditching by Jim Kirkeby's property and Luke Ellingson's property did not get completed this year but will in the spring. All project work is currently halted for the season and any further project work will resume in the spring of 2021. The sink hole by Ross Henningsgard's has not been repaired. Upon inspection Bruce Otteson did not see any broken pipes and no sediment deposits were visible in the city sewer system to signal the possibility of a broken pipe. The area around the sink hole will be monitored in the spring and repaired if needed before the streets are resurfaced.

Florian & Son's were in town this week and cleaned out the ditch on the north end of town and also relocated the city's tree pile to the new location by the city lagoon. Please start delivering all tree and branch debris to the new location. A camera system will be installed to monitor the disposal area.

BNSF contacted Travis Soderberg that they had received a complaint that one of their culverts off of the Broadway drainage ditch was plugged. BNSF sent in one of their crews and it was cleaned. Brady Otteson said that Florian's would level out the dirt near the culvert in the spring and makes sure it matches the grade of the ditch.

Holly Aamold made a motion to adjourn; Keaton Flanagan seconded the motion; motion passed unanimous.

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City Auditor

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Council Member

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Mayor