

**City of Buxton  
Meeting Minutes**

September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 8:00 PM  
Buxton Fire Hall

**Present:** Mayor Gene Rosholt, Travis Soderberg, Travis Hegg, Jeff Siewert, Bruce Otteson, Cody Simonson, Tom Hagen, Gerald Knapp, Cassie Tostenson, Ben Hershey, Jackie Siewert

**Recording:** Melanie Hunt, Auditor

Meeting called to order by Mayor Gene Rosholt

Meeting minutes from the August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting were read. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Travis Soderberg; seconded by Jeff Siewert; motion passed unanimous.

The following bills were presented for payment:

Direct	Waste Management	\$3,366.32
Direct	Xcel Energy	\$844.81
11911	Brudvik Law Office	\$424.60
11912	Farmer's Union Oil	\$235.53
11913	Midco	\$35.97
11914	Traill County Tribune	\$34.00
11915	GF Traill Water	\$241.42
11916	Traill Cty Auditor	\$250.00
11917	Melanie Hunt	\$1,108.20

Travis Hegg motioned to approve bills, Bruce Otteson seconded; motion passed unanimous.

Cody Simonson came before the council to request a building permit to put in a 32' x 64' modular home on a frost free foundation. Council received plans showing design information and feels it is within city requirements. Motion made by Travis Hegg to approve the building permit, Bruce Otteson seconded; motion passed unanimous.

Gerald Knapp came before the council asking to discuss the water damage the Triple VVV had back in January 2015. He asked the council to consider paying half of the Molstad Excavating bill that was incurred during this time. Gerald believes that the city council should pay a portion of this because he does not feel that he would have used this service had Mayor Rosholt not suggested it as an option for him. Gerald also believes that the Buxton City council told him that the city would pay the bill for this. Council said that the agreement was that if the issue turned out to be on the city's end that the bill would be paid by the city's insurance policy. Council explained that as the insurance company has determined that this was not due to any negligence on the part of the city that they will not cover this expense. Gerald request was denied.

Tom Hagen came before the council to request a building permit. Tom would like to erect a 10'x16' shed on his property. Council discussed location of the shed with him to ensure that it will not encroach on a neighbor's property or the street right of ways. Council approved his request for a permit.

Ben Hershey came before the council. He submitted a bill from Traill County Highway Department. This is a bill for a stop sign that Mayor Rosholt requested be placed that was sent to Ben Hershey in error.

Motion made by Travis Soderberg to pay the Traill County Highway Department bill, Jeff Siewert seconded; motion passed unanimous.

Motion made by Travis Hegg to remove Melanie Hunt from the city credit card and add Jackie Siewert, seconded by Travis Soderberg; motion passed unanimous.

Council discussed the culvert that is being put in out by the tree pile. The culvert is in but there is a concern that it will make it difficult to turn. It is believed that a smaller culvert or a different location of the culvert is needed. Council discussed putting in a smaller culvert or maybe an additional culvert.

Council discussed that the electrical has been put in for the city signs. Council is looking at options for light placing as well as rock and curbing. Estimate brought before the council for about \$1,500 per sign for the rock and curbing. Council discussed that it would be best to do this yet this fall as there

can be water issues in the spring that would delay work. Motion made by Travis Soderberg to go ahead with the curbing, seconded by Jeff Siewert; motion passed unanimous.

Council discussed the recycling schedule for the city of Buxton. Council has received several calls that they schedule is confusing to the residents. The schedule is currently for recycling to be picked up on the Wednesday following the third Monday of each month.

Council requested bids for snow removal. The only bid received was from Anderson Excavating. Motion made by Bruce Otteson to approve the bid from Anderson Excavating, seconded by Travis Soderberg; motion passed unanimous.

Council discussed having a special meeting on Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to discuss tax abatements and payment in lieu of taxes as well as the 2018 budget. Meeting to be held at 8:00 p.m. at the Buxton Fire Hall.

Next City Council meeting to be October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 8:00 p.m. at the Buxton Fire Hall.

Travis Hegg motioned to adjourn, Bruce Otteson seconded; motion passed unanimous.

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City Auditor

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Council Member

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Mayor