



CITY OF BURTON
BURTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 29, 2018
MINUTES

Council Chambers

Workshop

6:00 PM

4303 S. CENTER ROAD
BURTON, MI 48519

This meeting was opened by President Steven Heffner at 6:17 PM.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Tom Martinbianco	Councilman	Present	
Duane Haskins	Vice President	Excused	
Dennis O'Keefe	Councilman	Excused	
Steven Heffner	President	Late	6:24 PM
Danny Wells	Councilman	Present	
Vaughn Smith	Councilman	Present	
Christina Conley	Councilwoman	Excused	

B. STAFF PRESENT

Paula Zelenko, Mayor
Rik Hayman, Chief of Staff
Bette Bigsby, Acting City Clerk
Bob Slattery, DPW Director
Charles Abbey, Deputy DPW Director
Karen Moffitt, Controller

C. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

D. PRESENTATION

1. Road Plan Presentation and Discussion

Mr. Slattery stated this is a review of road asset management approach to street improvements in Burton. He said this is for a more long range view and capitol preventive maintenance. It is important to try to keep the roads that are relatively good kept that way. It's important to apply the right fix, in the right place, at the right time. It is important to keep up on the maintenance on the roads, so that we keep the water out, to extend their service life. Every dollar spent on preventive maintenance will save you a lot of money in the long run. Maintenance, in the State of Michigan, has been deferred because of chronic under funding since at least 1997. Because of this a lot of our roads need to be reconstructed. So with limited dollars we try to be as cost effective as we can. I am proposing to crack seal almost every street in the city that is rated a 7,8 or 9.

Mr. Smith suggested moving more money into major streets.

Mr. Slattery said the bids will be open for chip seal and fog seal on June 12, 2018. The work is to begin July 1, 2018 and the work is to be completed by September 15, 2018. Our portion of the State of Michigan Public Act 82 funding money is \$268,425.00. We also have funds left over in the 2017-2018 budget. The line items are Chip seal at \$151.640 and DWRP Repairs at \$272.638. This brings the total of 2018 funding for crack seal and chip seal to \$692.703.

Mr. Heffner asked what portion of the bridge on Grand Traverse Road would be the State? This is where the pavement has settled.

Mr. Slattery said from the control joint east, would be our responsibility. The State will be replacing those overpasses in a few years, possible 1923-1924. They are doing a traffic study now to possibly change the traffic pattern and allowing left hand turns off of Grand Traverse. June 11th will be the start of the construction of Center Road from Lippincott to Lapeer Road. We are talking about moving Saginaw Street construction to 2020 and take care of the Center Road construction in 2019 because of the condition of Center Road. It is deteriorating very quickly.

Mr. Martinbianco stated Michigan Economic Development Corporation does projects that are strickly road related because of the economic impact it will have. This may be an option to receive money for the roads.

Mr. Slattery said we did look at that. We don't think that the development, that is proposed there, is an eligible type of development for those funds. There may be other funds available, but not for Category A. We are still working on finding other funding sources. We can't do Saginaw Street and Center at the same time. The money flows with the year, not the project.

Mr. Smith asked if there is any way we could look at two year road bonds to fund these projects.

Mr. Slattery said two years ago we did Lapeer Road from Belsay to Vassar because that was in dire need. They were able to retain a two year infrastructure bank loan at 2.5%. When I talked to them about a loan to allow us to move Center Road up a year. To supplement the money in 2019 that's already there for Saginaw Street, it would be a \$1 Million loan for one year at 2.25%. We would not borrow any more money than what we would be reimbursed what's in the tip to be available in 2020 when Center Road would have become available. So it's almost free money.

Mayor Zelenko stated if we swap Center Road and Saginaw Street construction, there is a call for projects right now for the next round of TIP. If we put the other section of S. Saginaw into that, we have a better chance of receiving that funding knowing that we would be doing the whole section. If we do the whole section in one year, you are only disrupting those business's on S. Saginaw and Back to the Bricks for one year, instead of two years.

Mr. Slattery said we have a legal obligation to maintain the roads in a condition that is reasonably safe and convenient for public travel. Center Road is reaching the point where it is not. I could look into the possibility of doing both of these projects in 2019. However, there would still be a local match involved. I will also need to talk to the Metropolitan Alliance, Genesee County Planning and local agencies

programs before we can move any projects around in the TIP. This Fall there will be another round of projects for the 2020-2023 TIP. We should send in applications for federal funding for reconstructing the following roads: Saginaw Street/Maple to Bristol, SB Grand Traverse/Hemphill to Bristol, Genesee Road/Atherton to Lippincott, Belsay Road/Lapeer to Court, Bristol Road/Belsay to Vassar and Bristol Road/Fenton to Saginaw.

Mr. Heffner asked if the drain going under the road on Genesee Road is collapsed.

Mr. Slattery said there are apparently some drain issues there because it does seem like it has been sinking. We have patched it many times. This should be taken out and repaired. We received an estimate of about \$8 Million last year, when we submitted for the TIP, to rebuild Bristol Road from Fenton to Saginaw. I propose that we submit an application for mill and resurfacing instead of complete reconstruction. Last year we submitted for nine roads and received TIP for four roads. Keep in mind, for every project we get Federal Aid for there is a local match and rules to be followed.

Mayor Zelenko stated we are estimating, in the proposed budget, \$3 Million in Act 51 dollars opposed to what we projected for this current fiscal year of \$2.7 Million.

Mr. Slattery said there are roads that need to be rebuilt that have local benefit. I have spoken to a couple of groups of people that are not totally against a special assessment to get these roads fixed. I have received an estimate of \$671,000 for 3: mill and surface of Saginaw Street from Bristol to Maple. Southbound Grand Traverse estimate was around \$500,000. Somers Drive is a light industrial road. Repair on this should be done after construction is completed. Jimbo, Card and Flint Asphalt Drive industrial park estimate is \$2 Million. Special assessments would be needed for these. Just as we would with a Federal Aid project, I would propose that the City consider contributing 20% of the costs on any of these special assessments needed to get them done.

Mr. Wells said someone should check with cable, consumers and the Drain Commission before we do any major projects on roads, to make sure they are not planning on working on them in the next three to five years.

Vaughn Smith said on Memorial Day Consumers came out to do a repair on Center Road and we did not know anything about it.

Mr. Abbey said they are supposed to let us know before they do any work and they have not been doing that.

E. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM.
