



CITY OF BURTON

BURTON LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

JUNE 7, 2021

AGENDA

Council Chambers

Regular Meeting

6:30 PM

**4303 S. CENTER ROAD
BURTON, MI 48519**

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. STAFF PRESENT

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Legislative Committee - Regular Meeting - May 17, 2021 6:30 PM

D. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Now is the time set-aside for members of the audience to address the Burton Legislative Committee. I would ask each individual to give their name and address for the record and to limit their comments to three (3) minutes and to speak on the topics germane to City business.

E. COUNCIL DISCUSSION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS.

1. Discussion and possible recommendation on an amendment to the City of Burton code of ordinances related to the operation of unconventional vehicles (golf carts) within city limits.



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This meeting was opened by Chair Gregory Fenner at 6:30 PM.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Tom Martinbianco	Councilman	Present	
Gregory Fenner	Chair	Present	
Christina Conley	Councilwoman	Present	

B. STAFF PRESENT

Racheal Boggs, City Clerk
Amanda Doyle, City Attorney

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Legislative Committee - Regular Meeting - Apr 19, 2021 6:00 PM

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Christina Conley, Councilwoman
SECONDER: Gregory Fenner, Chair
AYES: Martinbianco, Fenner, Conley

D. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

John Stapish, PO Box 190134 Burton, Michigan stated he is against the pay raise for the City Attorney.

E. COUNCIL DISCUSSION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS.

- Discussion and possible recommendation on City Attorney hourly rate increase.

Mr. Martinbianco asked Attorney Doyle, if she still uses Mr. Joliat on cases.

Attorney Doyle said, yes. I still use Mr. Joliat from time to time when necessary.

Mr. Martinbianco asked, if it was difficult during Covid?

Attorney Doyle said, yes. It has been better in some ways, but incredibly difficult in other ways.

Mr. Martinbianco asked, who audits what the district court rebates us back? Does

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that come before you or does that go to the Treasurer's office?

Attorney Doyle stated it goes to the Treasurer's office. I am sure I could have access to that information though. In municipal civil infractions, the majority of that goes directly to the city. The problem is that it takes a while, so what I have started doing in conjunction with Amber Abbey and Frank Cherveney is bypassing the court entirely. When we remedy these code violations we tell people to go to the Department of Public Works and pay them directly.

Mr. Martinbianco asked, is there any kind of incentive we could offer people to come to the Department of Public works and pay directly?

Attorney Doyle stated we do when there are plea offers and negotiations with the blight matters. I do not see them unless they are habitual or unless they are serious. In serious matters, they have to go before the judge.

Mr. Martinbianco stated in addition to the City of Burton, I see you also work with Montrose Township, Genesee Township, City of Mount Morris and Monitor township.

Attorney Doyle said, yes. I no longer work with Monitor Township.

Mr. Martianbianco stated I ask that question because I want to make sure the concerns of the city are handled. In my opinion you have done a great job taking care of that.

Attorney Doyle said, thank you. The City of Burton makes up 75-80 percent of my time.

Mrs. Conley asked, do you know when the courts plan on opening?

Attorney Doyle stated I believe the Circuit Court jury trials will resume in June. It is my understanding that the District Court will not be opening up for jury trials, but they will be opening up for in jail preliminary exams. At this time, we are scheduling jury trials out to September just in case. If we can have them earlier, we will reschedule.

Mr. Fenner asked, when you say the City of Burton makes up about 75-80 percent of your time, our city is the largest single population of people you work with correct?

Attorney Doyle said, yes that is correct.

Mr. Fenner asked, did you receive any kind of PPE or hazard pay through Covid?

Attorney Doyle stated I did not receive hazard pay. I was not required to be anywhere in person. Everything I needed to do, I could do via Zoom or on the phone. I did receive benefits for small business.

Mr. Fenner asked, on average how many hours do you bill the City monthly?

Attorney Doyle stated on average 27-30 hours every pay period.

Mr. Fenner stated that would be around 50-60 hours a month.

Mr. Martinbianco made a motion to send to City Council an increase to the City Attorney's hourly rate to \$140.00, effective July 1, 2021.

RESULT:	RECOMMENDED [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 6/7/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Tom Martinbianco, Councilman	
SECONDER:	Christina Conley, Councilwoman	
AYES:	Martinbianco, Fenner, Conley	

Meeting was adjourned at 6:46 PM.

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Meeting: 06/07/21 06:30 PM
Department: Clerk's Office
Category: Ordinance
Prepared By: Racheal Boggs
Department Head: Racheal Boggs

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SCHEDULED

AGENDA ITEM (ID # 5122)

DOC ID: 5122

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to the City of Burton code of ordinances related to the
operation of unconventional vehicles (golf carts) within city
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