

CITY OF BURTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 16, 2012, 6:00PM, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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Councilman Steven Heffner led the Invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Steven Heffner.

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Council President Tom Martinbianco at 7:15 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Martinbianco, Heffner, Smith, Wells, Ellenburg, O'Keefe and Haskins

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor P. Zelenko, Atty. R. Austin, Police Chief T. Osterholzer, G. Burke-Miller, Controller, G. Kray, DPW Director, M. Udell, IT Director and J. Adams, City Clerk

Haskins moved and Ellenburg seconded the following motion: Approve and authorize the Regular Council Meeting on January 3, 2012 at 7:00 p.m., and Special Council Meeting on January 5, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

Mayor Zelenko said Mr. Kray, Mr. Howser and Mr. Marshke from the DPW is present tonight to address any questions or concerns with Item #2. As you are aware, we've had some equipment update needs for a long time. We have reached the point where repair and down time costs do not make financial sense anymore so we really need to look at least a backhoe and grader. Mrs. Burke-Miller and Mr. Udell are both present to address concerns with Item #3. Ms. Swank from CSI could not be here tonight but she gave a good presentation last Spring. Council was given a copy of that presentation tonight. Mrs. Burke-Miller put together some spreadsheets to demonstrate the funding on 3 different options. We will need direction from Council to go forward. Mayor Zelenko stated further, Stacy Betts is here from the Memorial Day Committee to give an update. Victor Lukasavitz and Lisa Easterwood from Fleis & Vandenbrink is here to present the draft Park & Recreation Plan, and Chief Osterholzer would also like to say a few words.

Stacy Betts, 1462 Scottwood Ave., stated the Committee has been working on the Memorial Day Parade since November. The parade will start at 6:00 p.m. with line up beginning at 5:00 p.m. The ceremony will start at 8:00 p.m. We will have a community vote on the Grand Marshall and the Veteran of the Year. We will start establishing that after tomorrow night's meeting. This year we will be charging \$25.00 for an entry in the parade. That will fund the parade going forward. We will charge a late fee if they enter it after May 1st. Councilman Smith will upload the parade form on the City's website. Everyone is invited to our committee meeting tomorrow night at 5:30 p.m. in the community room.

Lisa Easterwood from Fleis & Vandenbrink stated they had about 7 weeks to complete the 2012 5 Year Parks & Recreation Plan. Typically a plan like this takes a minimum of 13 weeks. There was great cooperation from the Parks & Recreation Commission, their support and scheduling the rush meetings and getting this project done. We have assembled the draft plan and opened up last week the 30 day review period. The plan is arranged to meet the DNR Grant Management procedures for park and recreation plans. All of the content meets their guideline. Part of that process is to have a 30 day review period so that the public can come to City Hall or view the plan on the City's website and make comment. She provided Council tonight so they can review and comment and ask any questions they may have.

Councilman Steve Heffner could accept any questions or you can contact her.

Ms. Easterwood did an overview of the content of the Plan. She stated the Recreation Inventory gives inventory of City-owned properties as well as semi-private and private sites, and what amenities and/or facilities each one has. A map shows the location of those facilities. There is also information of County Parks & Recreation facilities. In the Planning of Public Input Process, is certain criteria that we have to go through as part of the planning process to meet DNR guidelines. This section gives a description of that process. One of the ways of getting public input is through a community wide survey. It is set up to be offered electronically and hard copies are at City Hall. The survey was posted on the City's website, school websites and Facebook pages. There were 151 respondents. A Public Workshop was held on December 14th and we discussed parks, trails, and getting more feedback. In Goals and Objectives we set up 5 different goals and the various objectives in order to reach those goals. They are all outlined in this section. Following that is concepts and maps that fit in line with the goals and objectives. A blank page is for the Kelly Lake Park. They are still trying to track down a concept of that plan and it will be inserted there.

Ms. Easterwood stated Page 38 shows a map of 5 various routes for pathways of different types throughout the City. It is listed in order of priority based on the public workshop as well as the County Regional Trail Plan. Each route is identified to what it connects and the approximate length, and if it is a paved pathway or a complete street with sidewalks and bike lanes. There is a sketch of the Memorial Library childrens' garden. There was a lot of discussion of how that can be incorporated into the plan and how the Commission might help the Library accomplish that project. They do have some funding in place for that so the Commission will work for that goal. The following map is the City Burton Park. It is a concept of the property located behind VG's. In the workshop, one of the exercises was to identify different City land and what was the most desired to become park land and this property was rated the highest. We laid this concept as a passive park. It has an amphitheater that incorporates the steep slope that sits behind the loading and unloading area behind VG's. There is parking available to the amphitheater, restrooms located behind the stage. It is set up to be very sustainable and low maintenance.

Ms. Easterwood reviewed pictures showing a splash pad, playscape, picnic pavilions, volleyball, sand volleyball court, a 2 mile trail system, nature pond, outdoor classroom areas, observation decks, interpretive signage, electro fitness stations, etc. Ms. Easterwood re-iterated this is all a low passive recreation plan. This site is completely wooded and is a beautiful piece of property to incorporate this type of walking trails and uses. The Action Program section describes various projects over a 5 year period, the projected costs and potential funding sources for those projects. The Funding Mechanism section is information on different types of funding that is out there available for the City. There is a description of each one. The Local Adoption section is currently empty. We will insert resolutions, meeting minutes and correspondence in that section. The Appendix Section will show the survey results which is the primary data base the Commission used to base improvements and projects on. Additional Resources is information that is available to the Commission as they move forward with the plan and they can reference that information in the future and give various different types of contacts.

Ms. Easterwood stated at the Parks & Recreation Meeting scheduled on February 8th, they will go over any comments and questions. Hopefully, the Commission will make a recommendation to City Council to approve the plan and it will be presented back to Council on February 20th for final adoption.

Mr. Smith inquired regarding Kelly Lake grants.

Ms. Easterwood said the City is trying to track down the concept and some kind of drawing will be included

in the plan. If we can't find the old version, we can put together some kind of aerial to show improvements.

This plan needs to be submitted to DNR by March 1st. They require a 30 day review period. Once they approve it, it needs to be approved by April 1st because that is the deadline for the grant application. When you apply for the grant application by April 1st, you need to have an approved park and recreation plan in order to submit. They will be submitting it between March 1st and April 1st and our grant will be going in April 1st. The grant application we will be submitting for will be towards Kelly Lake improvements. We identified what those improvements will be. It may be a phased project because of the costs of it. We have to work those details out. We are looking at expanding on the nature trails and placing multi-use pathways or expanding on that, putting in some overlooks into the wetlands with interpretive signage, replace restrooms and putting in fitness stations along a portion of the pathway, and putting in a small parking area as well. That will be the grant application we will be submitting for this year.

Mr. Smith said he was reading when you put in a grant per site, if it is rejected you can't put it back into that site for a period of time. He asked what the strategy would be for the City to give us the best shot for success.

Mr. Lukasavitz from Fleis & Vandenbrink responded the timeframe is usually 2 years, they change the rules from time to time a little bit. If the strategy stays, we will go for another phase in the same park potentially. The other strategy would be to select another item from the 5 year plan and go after that through the cooperation of the City and Commission to find what is most reasonably fundable, They do have a hierarchy they like to fund, and things they do not like to fund. Last year they didn't like to fund trails that looked like sidewalks. If you filed for trails, you would file for one that looks like a trail along a railroad or away from the road versus one that looks like a wide sidewalk. If you went with one that looked like a wide sidewalk, you probably are not going to get it this year. You have to figure what their mindset is and try and take advantage of it.

Mr. Smith asked what kind of grants have you been looking at specifically for Kelly Lake to apply for. Ms. Easterwood replied it would be the DNR Trust Fund Grant. It has an April 1st deadline. We may break it out in a couple of phases because of the costs associated with that. There is a match involved and it can come from various locations but we need to research it a little bit further and refine our strategy a little more. This type of project is highly regarded with the DNR in terms of the type of project it is. We felt it is a good candidate. We need to make sure the costs associated with the park development is something the City can manage should it be awarded. So we may have to scale back the overall project a little bit.

Mr. Smith asked if there is a problem with co-mingling money saved. Lowe's has done some things with the parks before and could that be stopped by this grant process. A couple of years ago Lowe did some benches and refurbishing.

Ms. Easterwood replied she thinks they would encourage multiple sources of funding and it would probably look more desirable to them to know there are funding sources out there that are willing to fund this type of project. It makes it more of a viable project knowing that other funding sources are willing to participate.

Mr. Smith asked if there are service clubs, churches or other community organizations that would like to become involved with this park, and if it would be good to know that prior to making the grant request.

Ms. Easterwood said she thinks they can flex the funding, the overall grant amount a little bit. If a grant was received for \$300,000 and the City was able to get cooperation from other organizations to fund

\$50,000 of that, it would just lessen the grant amount and would come off the overall.

Mr. Martinbianco stated it would lessen the grant amount or lessen the City's core responsibility. The grant amount would be the same but the City's co-responsibility could be co-shared by adjunct resources.

Mr. Lukasavitz said that is correct. Grand Blanc Park has a grant from last year from the local community fund they are thinking about using for this year as part of the money to entice DNR. Anything you can assemble from service clubs, community fund or from where ever that we can put in that bushel basket to fill up and helps the success rate from any grant whether it is the Kellogg Center or DNR Trust Fund. You have to be careful with some of the mix and match, you can't match Federal with Federal. In some cases, some of the State gets their money from Federal contribution, so if you run out and get another Federal grant and try and put it together, it may be disallowed so you have to watch the source. The State, Local and Federal is not a problem and is welcomed.

Ms. Easterwood said on the Action Program where we have the chart listing the project, amount and the funding source, the more we can elaborate on that list, the better it will look.

Mrs. Ellenburg inquired regarding a percentage match.

Ms. Easterwood replied it is typically 25 to 30 percent for the DNR. Other type of grants will vary in that percentage but DNR Trust Fund is 25 to 30%. It changes from year to year but it falls within that range.

Mr. Wells asked how long it took to prepare the plan.

Ms. Easterwood said they have 7 weeks to assemble it. It typically takes 13 or more weeks. In 2008, U of M Center for Applied Environmental Research started a park and recreation plan and did some meeting facilitation and assembly of data. They were kind enough to give us some of that data. We had to update it but it was very helpful in putting this plan together.

Mr. Wells said you did a nice job and you did it very quickly. Some of it looks like it is from the last 5 year plan. Some of the data is from the 2000 Census numbers instead of 2010.

Ms. Easterwood stated some of the data as far as general population is available under 2010 but some information of disability and income they haven't updated yet. Population projections is another one and we have to use other resources to get that data. The disability is something we are going to work on in this 30 day review period to make sure there isn't something more current out there. But that isn't available in the 2010 Census status data. They haven't tabulated that information yet.

Mr. Wells stated a price was quoted of \$13,000 based on 17 or 18 weeks of work and you turned it around in 7 weeks.

Mr. Lukasavitz expressed there were numerous hours of overtime.

Mr. Wells asked if there is a breakdown of how many hours they worked.

Mr. Heffner stated a number of meetings were held lasting 3 1/2 - 4 hours long.

Mr. Lukasavitz said Lisa is the project manager and numerous people in the office assisted her. He was also involved doing some of the work to help her deliver it on time. Normally at his pay rate, he wouldn't be involved, he is more of a marketing liaison. We balanced the best we could to make delivery in a short time.

Ms. Easterwood stated also included in that is the grant application which we haven't started yet. We will be working on that over this 30 day review period and into March as well.

Mr. Lukasavitz stated further, this is considered a 95% draft of the report. As Ms. Easterwood indicated, we still have the grant to do and there is a couple of sections to still complete that are not established yet.

Mr. Martinbianco said because the focus is on Kelly Lake, do we have interaction with any other regulatory board in the County like the Planning Commission, Metropolitan Alliance, or the Drain Commission because of the focus on a City owned property.

Ms. Easterwood replied that the Planning Commission, Metro Alliance and the Regional receive this plan to review so they will be involved in that end of it. This is part of the DNR requirements that they review the plan. They will receive a final draft of this as well. They are required to be given the 30 day period to review. Ms. Easterwood indicated further that they will approve the plan as well.

Mr. Martinbianco referenced the Davison Township's new park module with their sidewalk concept from Irish to Gale Rd. and up to Abernathy Park, as opposed to a rail trussle or creek trails.

Police Chief Tom Osterholzer said he wanted to thank each one of Council individually for their support and vote of confidence as the new Police Chief. He has enjoyed working with everyone in the past and looks forward to a good working relationship with Council. There is a lot of positive feeling in the police department as we move forward. Your police department is committed to putting their best foot forward and our efforts to continue to provide the highest level of professional police service that we can.

Mr. Martinbianco said he appreciates the Chief being here tonight. His words of encouragement will help us out and will do our level best on behalf of the citizens and taxpayers and move our City forward.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mrs. Ellenburg said the Legislative Committee met earlier this evening at 6:00 p.m. We discussed the ordinance for telecommunications. We would like it to be called telecommunications and technology. It has to do with abuse of a phone or pulling out of a phone when there is a distress call for domestic dispute. The Committee recommends we bring it to Council for a vote on the next meeting.

Mr. Martinbianco said he will comment later in the meeting regarding a memo from the Attorney on January 4th. He feels it is very sexist in some of its references.

Mr. Heffner stated March 31st will be the Easter Egg Hunt. We would like to hold it at Van Y but we need permission from Atherton Schools to do that. He is proud of the Parks & Recreation Commission that the Mayor has put together. A lot of meetings have been held on the 5 year plan. Lisa has put a lot of time in this. The Parks & Recreation Commission has 24 to 25 hours plus into it. He is impressed by the City of Burton park behind VG's. This park is mainly trails. That is the number one thing residents wanted is more walking trails. There is woods and an open field where you can play baseball, soccer and kickball. The amphitheater he really likes. Mr. Heffner referenced further Kelly Lake and the trail that goes around it and stated the Commission would like to put a trail in-between the wetlands and the lake itself. He believes this is the first phase we talked about. That trail will have to be elevated a little bit because of the spillway into the wetlands. He is really proud of the Parks & Recreation Commission; they did a fabulous job. He would like to thank Mrs. Ellenburg, Mr. O'Keefe, Mr. Smith and Mr. Wells for their input. Mr. Wells idea on the splash pad is in the Burton park.

Mrs. Ellenburg said she received a letter from Genesee County Metropolitan and we have three of the rehabilitations completed in the City of Burton. One is at 2201 Whittemore, 1381 Donovan and 2149 Kenneth St. These are up to be purchased from the Land Bank. They did a really good job on revitalizing

these buildings.

Mr. Wells stated Mr. Smith and I met last week with a gentleman from a local recycling company. It was a pretty impressive meeting and lots of information. I did research on it myself. We would like to have a Council of the Whole Meeting and have them come in and do a presentation. I know we have some recycling done with Waste Management right now. I would like to bring them in also. I think we are missing the boat on this. They have a customer appreciation program that has brought the recycling in Richfield Township from 14% up to 78%. The residents get something back in coupons and cost savings and from local businesses. I hope I can sit down with the Mayor and go over this and we can have a conversation with Waste Management and get them to come in and talk about this, see what our contract stipulates with them. We have an opportunity to save a substantial amount of money. Mr. Wells stated further he would like to set a date and work with the Parks & Recreation program and Friends of the Library to talk about the Burton Historical Society. This will encompass everyone on City Council and especially Parks & Recreation for historical buildings. Mr. Wells thanked the Friends of the Library for their documentation. Once we get this up and running, we can gently push them off on their own and keep all the politics out of it. He would like a Public Access Meeting for Tuesday, January 24th at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Heffner said to his understanding, all we need to get a Historical Society started is a resolution from Council.

Mr. Wells said he would like to have some kind of a plan and everyone is on the same page. We have several committees that will need to be involved in this and have some commitment to it.

Mr. Martinbianco stated you will have a lot of input from all the Commissions - past, present and whatever happens in the future. I think those people will all be logical participants. You can get together and figure out the ground rules, what you can and can't do and put it together and we will bring together all the parties.

Mrs. Ellenburg said the Library Committee still takes the notes in the same book they did years and years ago. The minutes are faded out and done in pencil. They have a lot of history that will be helpful to this Committee. I think this is good you are bringing this up. We do have historical buildings and history from people that are still here.

Mr. Heffner said we have a great asset with Lindsay. She has put together a paper she used for college that is all about Burton history. She has offered to make it available to us.

Mr. Wells asked to have Lindsay take the minutes of the next Public Access Meeting.

Mr. Haskins mentioned Mr. Zelenko is a history buff. He sat with him for an hour and he can tell you every nook and cranny. It was fascinating. We could probably learn a whole lot from him.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Rick Fuhst, 1208 S. Genesee, congratulated our new Police Chief Tom Osterholzer. He thinks the Mayor made a wise choice. He noticed our local Office Max vacated the store. We need to concentrate on bringing manufacturing to this area and work real hard on this I-69 Corridor project we have going.

John Stapish, PO Box 190134, referenced agenda Item #2 and stated the AIS construction is out of town.

We have a John Deere dealer on Richfield Rd., Tri-State Equipment.

Mr. Martinbianco explained that the company is actually Tri-County Equipment on Davison Rd.

Mr. Stapish said they are local and it seems they would be interested in matching or doing better than a company from out of town. He feels Item #2 should be tabled and Tri-County contacted. Mr. Stapish spoke further that on Genesee Road before you get to the sidewalk that loops around to Kelly Lake, there is a drain that has not been cleaned out in 5 years. He asked if someone from the City could get that cleaned out.

Mr. Martinbianco said that is the Gilkey Creek which is the Genesee County Drain Commission. There is a comprehensive program for the Gilkey Creek remediation going into play. He doesn't know if that particular site has been isolated to something of interest to them, but we can put this on our wish list and the Mayor could forward that information to Mr. Wright and see what he can do about it.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Mr. Heffner referenced Mr. Fuhst's comments on Office Max. It is his understanding that Big Lots is moving into there.

Mr. Martinbianco expressed we are also losing Krogers.

Mrs. Ellenburg addressed Mr. Stapish's comments regarding agenda Item #2. She said it is a State bid. They are buying for all over the State and we are getting it at a lower price.

Mr. Wells said Mr. Stapish brings up a good point about a local distributor. He doesn't think the State cares who we bought it from as long as it matched the specs. I would like to look into that to see if we could actually purchase that through our local John Deere Company. If we have someone local that can fix them and get parts, it makes sense. It is part of Governor's whole dream of everyone buying together.

Mayor Zelenko said she would be happy to look into that to see if there is anything we can do more local. She would like to defer to Mr. Howser.

Mr. Howser stated Tri-County is more or less a farm implement equipment. They don't deal with the construction aspect of the equipment. I am sure through this dealership they could get us one, but through the Michigan Mi-Deal we are getting the same price whether we get it from Lapeer, Lansing, Saginaw, it is all the same pricing.

Mr. Wells said it makes the point to buy it locally.

Mayor Zelenko said these are pre-bid prices so we don't have to do the bidding process, it is already pre-bid so this is the best price you are going to get.

Mr. Wells said if we could just make the phone call and say we have a John Deere distributor in town, can we purchase it with this contract with our local distributor and bring more of those dollars back into our area. We might not be able to do it.

Mr. Wells stated he heard that Planet Fitness is trying to purchase Showcase Cinemas. They signed a purchase agreement. It would be a great thing. They want to make it their State headquarters so it won't affect the one at the Mall. Mr. Wells spoke further on businesses closing and others moving into the vacant locations.

Mr. Heffner stated on Item #2, it says lease to own. He doesn't know if all these other companies offer lease to own. We are not out right buying it, we are leasing it to own it. If we don't like it, we can let it go.

Mr. Martinbianco asked Mrs. Burke-Miller what is budgeted. He referenced capital equipment that would be here at City Hall that is General Fund dollars as opposed to Motor Pool dollars.

Mrs. Burke-Miller responded that in terms of the AIS lease, she is not sure if we budgeted monies for this per say. She was thinking it would come out of the Motor Pool and then the departments whether it is Local Major Streets, Water Sewer, would lease from Motor Pool.

Mr. Martinbianco said we would need to have a resolution that would adopt upon the execution of the lease, it would be co-signed to say we are going to adopt that transfer, should a transfer become necessary.

Mr. Martinbianco addressed Item #3 and said it is the same kind of lease structure with CSI Leasing. They are the financial arm of us being able to obtain new and approved communication equipment and computer equipment.

Mrs. Burke-Miller stated we budgeted \$60,000 in capital improvement budget for computer upgrades. I thought we could use a part of that money for labor to get this up and going as we just have one IT person. If we were to acquire several computers at once it would be very difficult for him to do all on his own. That is what I was thinking in terms of the budget we have in current year. In terms of the lease we would have to look at budgeting out into future years so we have that flat budget year end and year out.

Mr. Martinbianco said this Council and future Councils will understand that if we go into these multi-year things, we will extend out beyond the terms of whenever any of us might be here, they will have to understand that is what the commitment the City made at that point in time, and our best judgment especially in the terms of technology, keeping us moving forward and always having us on the brink is a good thing. Mr. Martinbianco asked Mr. Udell his prioritization.

Mr. Udell replied right now servers. We are so outdated on servers we can't do an easy migration from Windows 2000 based servers up to 2008. It is going to be alot of manual re-creating accounts and so forth, but servers is critical first. Before we bring in new work stations with new operating systems, we want to have the servers in place or there is going to be compatability problems. As far as the list I provided of those work stations, that was to give Council an idea of how old some of that equipment is. Some of it has been out of warranty for several months to a year, and some of it is Windows 1995 that hasn't been supported in years. There is one Windows 1995 computer we didn't replace because there was no need at the time. As far as how much of that equipment to purchase all at one time, we are still looking at; a plan to perhaps 1/3 or 1/2 and then once we get that up and running then move on to the next group.

Mr. Martinbianco stated the discussion by the Controller talked about the purchase of equipment and also the purchase of labor for the installations thereof. He asked Mr. Udell if he has a ball park figure, have we gone out for bid, if we looked at who might be doing it other than yourself to expedite the installation of the servers.

Mr. Udell said he had conversations with Mike Mattar, who I mentioned in the past. He is willing to step forward and help with that. His time estimate was a little lower than mine because I was factoring in certain

customization we do with the work stations when we add them to the network, where he was thinking more out of the box, plug it in and get it running. Mr. Udell stated further, he is having a meeting with Mike this week to talk more about that. He will definitely be helping me with the servers. His main area of expertise is in the infrastructure and networking stuff. Work stations will be a breeze too.

Mr. Martinbianco asked the Mayor to keep Mr. Smith, Finance Chairperson and our computer group, in the loop as to what is going on. Mr. Martinbianco inquired to Mr. Howser regarding the lease expense.

Mr. Howser replied they initially priced them out individually and then he asked Mr. Robinson from AIS to lease them both together. To lease them both together we would save approximately \$32,000 in interest cost over a 5 year period. We are looking at about \$57,000 for 5 years. In the unfortunate event the City went bankrupt, they would come and pick them up.

Mr. Austin stated he sees a handwritten note that these prices are good for 90 days from 12/1/2011.

Mrs. Burke-Miller said that was her note and they were willing to extend that pricing.

Mr. Austin said he wanted to make sure if Council were to table Item #2, these prices would still be available if we took it back up again at our first meeting in February.

Dave Marshke, DPW Water/Sewer Foreman, indicated the DPW equipment on the agenda tonight is considered critical equipment. He addressed further the age of the equipment, manpower use, constant repairs and costs.

Mr. Haskins asked why this information is just now coming forward on the grader and backhoe.

Mr. Howser explained that the motor grader is from 1997 and is currently in need of \$22,900 worth of repairs. On the New Holland backhoe we have, in the month of October and November we put \$13,900 worth of repairs into that vehicle. It is getting to the point the repairs are outweighing the costs of the actual machine. If we put \$23,000 worth of repairs into this motor grader and trade it in, they are only going to give us \$25,000 trade in on it.

Mr. Haskins inquired as to how many backhoes are in the fleet and how often are they getting used.

Mr. Howser replied 2 graders. This time of the year they are not used much unless it is a large snow.

They are used primarily in the summertime to grade the shoulder of the roads and the gravel roads. With the winter we have had I graded snow last week. Whenever I can get them out, they are on the roads.

Mr. Haskins questioned why this wasn't presented in the budget? Workers were laid off within the City and now we are looking at spending \$300,000 on equipment. We still have employees laid off, police force still down and we haven't hired any new. There is a lot of validity to my questions. He isn't saying we don't need the equipment but if we don't have employees to run it and to keep it out there in an efficient manner, what good is it we are spending all this money. If it takes \$22,000 to fix a piece of equipment to keep it going for another year instead of spending \$57,145.06, in my eyes it is more apt to do so to try to bring more police to our streets and bring our workers back to the workforce. He is curious to know why it wasn't brought up in the budget. That is the time we put things together and adjust budgets.

Mr. Howser explained the repairs that took place in October of last year. Money was put into the backhoe because it was the newest one in the fleet, in hopes that if we did get a new backhoe, that would replace the old one.

Mr. Marshke stated he needs a reliable machine if he has a serious main break out there. He addressed the watermain break situation they had on Saginaw St. during Back-to-the-Bricks.

Mr. Haskins said his major concern is budget, money and finances of the City. The Mayor already addressed a couple of meetings ago, there are possible year end transfers that are going to happen. I think this is a substantial amount of money right now. In my opinion, we should nurse this situation until the next fiscal budget year when we start getting into it, and then address this in the proper fashion instead of looking at possible year end transfers, capital improvements with the Motor Pool, things of that nature. I don't want to see our City not have safe equipment and things that are not running, but we have a lot of other things that are sustainable in our City as well right now. At this point in time, I really can't support this. It is a lot of money and I feel it should be addressed during budget.

Mrs. Ellenburg questioned if it was ever brought up to consolidate with other communities on purchasing and working together to use the same equipment. If we had a backhoe to split the usage of it with like Grand Blanc Township if they needed it. Is it possible or would we have to sign an agreement with them.

Mayor Zelenko responded you would have to sign an agreement with them if it was possible. I think it is a logistic problem. Who is going to store it and use it; "it is my turn to have the backhoe".

Mrs. Ellenburg said in the future we need to look at these big pieces of equipment and maybe utilize them with the County Rd. services and see if they could come up with helping out with some of the price, if we could do part of their area they work on.

Mr. Marshke said they had a watermain break the other night and the backhoe we are talking about broke down. They lost 3 hours of overtime waiting for repairs.

Mrs. Ellenburg inquired further regarding leasing and warranty.

Mr. Heffner said with the age of our water and sewer system, especially in the south end, it is a necessity that the City have a backhoe and when they turn the key it starts. The snow is going to come eventually and when it does, we need those graders out there. The backhoe is a safety issue. Sewer lines break, watermain breaks in the winter time and you have big piles of ice. We can't wait for Grand Blanc to bring theirs over or Evans Equipment to open. If we need one at 1:00 a.m. in the morning, we need it. I will be voting in support of this.

Mr. Smith said earlier there was conversation about buying local or not. When he went through the paper work he seen MI Deal. I understand they had to bid with the State to even be eligible to offer that price. If we had a local dealer here and they didn't bid through MI Deal, they wouldn't be able to give us that price. Mr. Smith asked if this is correct.

Mayor Zelenko said that is the way she understands it.

Mr. Smith said our local businesses had the opportunity but chose for whatever reason not to bid on this equipment. I think it is noble that we try to give business back to local businesses, but if they choose not to partake, then we can't wait for that.

Mr. Martinbianco said the Mayor in her good stead, asked for everyone's opinion except the purchasing agent, who would probably tell you the bidding process at the State level that gives you the MI Deal is

really as good as you can get. Your capitalization has to be quite large to be able to participate in a project like that, ultimately resulting in the prices they are.

Mr. Smith clarified that the local dealerships are not even in the running.

Mr. O'Keefe said in his recollection, the Davison Rd. John Deere store is a retail store. They don't handle this type of machinery, they don't service it. I agree to buy local whenever we possibly can but I think it is one of the issues it is like trying to buy an Oldsmobile from a Pontiac store. I don't think it is really an issue because they sell John Deere tractors and they call it a retail store, not a heavy equipment store.

Mr. Wells inquired to Mr. Howser if there is a regular pm program set up in DPW for all of the equipment. Mr. Howser replied yes. Every 30 days equipment is brought in for oil change, lubes and that kind of stuff. The problem with the motor grader is the drive chains on the rear axle. It is like a bike chain and you can't just replace one of them, you have to replace all 4 of them. Each one is roughly \$900, then you get into the wheel bearings. He doesn't have the actual breakdown, but where they get us is for the labor costs. Our mechanics are not equipped to do those type of repairs. We can put \$23,000 into this grader and I can take it out and drive it for a week, and the entire turn table will go out of it because it is old and tired. It needs replaced.

Mr. Wells asked if there is a comprehensive training program for our people so they know how to drive them.

Mr. Marshke said the backhoe is roughly 11 to 12 years old. It may not seem that old but problem-wise it is the different operators we have had over the years. Some may be a little harder on the machine than others.

Mr. Wells said he understands the safety part of it and he is all for it. Typically in the past, we have always looked at the depreciation of the equipment when we did the budget and said here we are, now it is time to start again. The last 3 or 4 years, I don't think we looked at that.

Mr. Marshke said the former Controller use to say don't charge that piece of equipment out after 10 years, don't put any time on it.

Mr. Martinbianco said that is how the State of Michigan tells you to do it. When they set their rates for whatever their anticipated rental rate is going to be for that piece of equipment, for x-amount of years however they amortize it, that is what they say you can charge off, or the most you can charge off in that percentage rate.

Mr. Wells said when we look at that in the budget, and perhaps Council has been remiss in doing that the last few years, we would know then we need to start looking at some more equipment. It is important we have it and people to run it. If we are going to make a purchase like this, and then for whatever reason have a break over here and we end up getting Waldorf or somebody else to work over here, and our other bulldozer sits there idle, it doesn't make sense. My concern is the money. The last budget we laid people off, we had to transfer a couple hundred thousand dollars to make the budget. We were told this year is going to be even worse. Mr. Wells stated further, he still doesn't know where the money is coming from. He wouldn't mind tabling this until we can get some of those answers. We have a budget workshop Wednesday night and we may have them early so we could feel a bit more at ease. He inquired as to a timetable; if it was tabled to February 6th and you had our blessing, when would they deliver it?

Mr. Howser replied it would be a 6 week time period.

Mr. Wells said you are talking about the end of March when you would be able to use them. He just would like to know a little bit more about our finances. Mr. Wells referenced Flint and Detroit's budget problems in moving money out of different budgets to cover things.

He re-iterated he wants to make sure the money is there to pay for it.

Mr. Howser said training was mentioned earlier and AIS said when they deliver the equipment, they will walk through the operators with proper procedures and operations of the equipment.

Mr. Wells spoke briefly on the importance of training. He said with computers, he is surprised we haven't started doing it already. In the budget this was one of our priorities when we moved that money. The money is already in the budget. Mr. Wells asked if anything has been done with the City's phones.

Mayor Zelenko said the voicemail will be repaired. We are staying with the same company we had and they will repair the voicemail. With CSI, at the time, Council was not ready to enter into a lease agreement and that is the big hold up. I can't just sign a lease agreement, I need to have your permission to do so.

Mr. Wells said I thought we made it abundantly clear and even moved the money to sign to get the equipment going.

Mr. Smith said there was \$60,000 appropriated from last year's budget for technology and about \$7,000 was spent for one server. We have \$53,000 still setting in this current year's budget. Our Controller would like to see a portion of that used to help set up the servers and the work stations. Earlier there was a question of what that amount would be which was asked of Mr. Udell. We are trying to understand why things weren't moving along. I believe with only one IT person you have a bottle-neck because that IT person is not only working on computers, every other security issue with the City, the cards for you to get in the door. My concern is we are going to appropriate money and it is going to set. This gentleman is going to be running in all different directions. We may have to spend a little extra money to bring someone in but there is an opportunity cost. Mr. Smith stated further, he looked at some of these work stations, you are running computers that were bought as late as 1999, most were bought in 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005. Technology was already old and then the operating system is very old. We are paying all this money for employees to sit at these workstations working with antique computers with antique operating systems. We are not getting the best man hour dollars for each of our employees. Mr. Smith asked what schedule would you be looking at implementing, sooner the better, and then what timeline would we have to get this going. With one IT guy, it is not going to happen. Our concerns is how are we going to move this along if we appropriate this money?

Mayor Zelenko stated this whole past year has been re-evaluating what programs we have, the type of equipment we have and getting those folks to understand some of the upgrades we had to go through as well. The Kronos upgrades, the BS&A upgrades, plus we had to train all these folks. So before we start putting in new infrastructure, we had to make sure the training when it was in place for what's coming down the road before we can put in new work station infrastructure. We had to dedicate one whole new server to the BS&A program because that is their requirement, and do a new website upgrade too. There is a whole lot going on other than implementing new work stations. We have got to the point now where we got a lot of these things done and now we can take that big step and we need your permission for the lease agreement or we start buying them outright.

Mr. Smith said he see 20 towers and cringes thinking of all the money. I see where leasing can help alleviate that problem. The key here is timeline. That is where the concern is to see a very definitive timeline on whatever you think you can do, a wish list 1 year implementation but if it is going to be a 3 year, we want to see continuing progress during that 3 years.

Mayor Zelenko said Council afforded her employment agreements, we can temporarily hire someone perhaps for 90 days to help him get these things set up so he can concentrate more on security issues so we can secure no one else has the passwords and doing all our programs and stuff, but we have someone else that can come in and set up some of the work stations so Mark can better utilize his time. That is where we are talking about the \$60,000 you allocated for this year's budget using some of that to help us move things along.

Mr. Smith said if this is approved tonight, what is the next step from Administration?

Mr. Udell said if this is approved tonight, the first step is servers I have Mike lined up. We already have hours with him that can be used so it is just a matter of me sitting down with him and working out how he is going to charge that. We talked about doing a third of our equipment based on conversations with Ginger and the Mayor very recently, with some help I think we could do 70 to 80 computers less than 6 months, 4-5 at the most. There is a window for purchasing this for the lease period, he believes 90 days.

Mrs. Burke-Miller stated they indicated 6 months.

Mr. Udell said we can spread these purchases out rather than go out tomorrow and order 80 computers, ship them here and then I have a stack of computers sitting here. Once we get the invoice, they start dating on their warranties. We want to keep the 3 year warranty within this lease refresh cycle.

Mr. Smith asked Mr. Udell if he would be comfortable to say that by August 1st of this year the City will have its technology up to date. It gives you a little more than 6 months. I don't want to see us appropriating all this money and it keeps getting put on the back burner, and now we are purchasing this technology but we are not seeing the benefits of that technology.

Mr. Wells said before you did all this training since the last budget, we should have had all these new computers in place. We gave you what you needed to bring new technology in here, told you if you needed any classes to get them, whatever you needed lets do it, lets upgrade this system. I remember those conversations very, very well. We have done nothing until this point.

Mayor Zelenko said that is not true, we have been working hard to upgrade things and we have done alot of training. The prior administration and in prior years was more techno-phobic. Not saying that is good, bad or otherwise, but it is just bringing everybody on board. To say we have done nothing is not true.

Mr. Wells expressed we are no further ahead right now than we were back in May, June, July.

Mayor Zelenko said we are further ahead than what we were there. It is just the infrastructure, the hardware of it, we haven't purchased work stations.

Mr. Wells expressed he still does not know why.

Mr. Udell said since we talked last time, you said May or June, we have had a major project going on upgrading our Kronos System. It wasn't a take it out of the box throw a disk in and then install it. We spent hours on the phone with them. I have other responsibilities too. He told the Mayor the other day we are going to miss our go live date of January 18th because I can't keep up with their schedule. I have

responsibilities for building security which includes the keys and all that, I have been working on that project. We just brought people back to work and they need keys, badges, photos and everything that goes along with that. There is a lot of other things going on other than installing computers.

Mr. Wells stated to let them know he can't do this and he needs help. Come to the City Council. We are all wanting to get these upgrades up and running. This is important to us. This was one of our priorities during the budget was to bring this City in the 21st century.

Mr. Udell said several times in the past he was flat out told you will never have a staff in the IT Department. A couple of you tonight talked about the people laid off. One of the reasons I haven't asked for help is just because of that. I didn't think it was time when people are laid off to say why don't you hire someone for me. Frankly this wasn't my idea to bring help on right now. It was suggested or offered to me and I appreciate it and grateful if I do get. I didn't think it was a good time to come to the City and say hire somebody.

Mr. Wells said Mr. Howser has enough gumption to say we are wasting money on our equipment, we have stuff sitting out there we can't use. I am going to Council for a 1/2 million dollars or \$300,000 and at least let them know I have a problem. I will give him credit for that. Mr. Marshke came with the facts. If you can't do your job they way you are, you have to come and tell us I have so much going on, I can't make this happen. Then it is up to us to make a decision.

Mr. Martinbianco interjected you need to say and characterize that comment, he should go to his boss and tell the Mayor maybe you should go to City Council because I might need some temporary help to help do that.

Mayor Zelenko responded we are here tonight.

Mr. Wells said I just want to make this happen, talk to us, let us know what you need to have. I don't want to patchwork this anymore. We have some serious money laid out in this now and we need to get it up and running. Six months, I think we can do it quicker.

Mr. Udell expressed he thinks leasing is the way to go. At one time he wasn't in favor of it because it cost a little more. This seems like win-win all the way.

Mr. Wells said this could be a safety issue. Our police officers and fire department are getting more and more in tune to these computers and they need to have reliable information when they go on to their systems. Just like a road grader, hit the button and make sure it happens. I am not scolding anybody. I come from a different world where if things need to happen and you have conversation and if you can't do it that way, then we have to go another way. We are doing everything we can to help you do your job, just remember that.

Mr. Martinbianco reminded everyone of the upcoming City audit session on Wednesday night that will review from a financial standpoint and in some instances maybe depict other areas of interest in the City to show exactly where our template was June 30, 2011. It may or may not have alot of revelance in January 2012, but it at least shows our history and prospects of how we are going to move forward. In some instances Mr. Wells relates to, talks about some of the concerns the City has in our long-term master plan and specifically what we are going to do in the next one to three years in moving things forward. He

appreciates his comments.

Mr. Martinbianco stated further to remember everyone has a boss and the Mayor is right here. If they have a concern and they think Council should be apprised of it, certainly through the Mayor.

Mr. Heffner inquired concerning Item #2 AIS Construction Equipment. He asked if this is something we can afford.

Mrs. Burke-Miller replied Motor Pool has the cash to do this. The first payment doesn't start until December 1st of 2012.

Mr. Howser also stated if we were to buy it today, the first payment is not due till one year from today.

Mr. Heffner expressed there is no sense in tabling this because all the people are here to answer the questions we are asking.

Mr. Martinbianco said if you enter into a lease agreement with a lease to purchase, you are going to authorize administration to sign the lease irrespective of when you take over the equipment, and when the first payment might be due, which might be into the next fiscal year. There still needs to be a transfer because as the Controller suggests, it comes out of Motor Pool surplus. That wasn't budgeted for and requires 5 affirmative votes to move that money forward.

Mr. Heffner asked if that would be a year from now.

Mr. Martinbianco replied yes but you can't enter into a lease now to say what the money is appropriated too. He doesn't see in the resolutions, so I would think at that point in time, it would be appropriate to delay this action till the next meeting to get the appropriate dollar figures put together. We are going to put a financial responsibility much like what is being talked about on a Federal level, on future Council's to expedite that agreement that we do many years of the lease. If you are talking a 5 year lease, 5 years down the road, you are obligating future Council's this dollar figure or as said, come pick this stuff up and take it back with you.

Mr. Heffner said he has confidence in our Controller that if she said the money is there and the Mayor said the money is there, the same people we are getting our information from, I don't see any reason to delay this. Six weeks from now we could have some major breaks and we want to be prepared for it. Our residents deserve better than what we have to offer them now. As far as funding, we had the opportunity a couple of meetings ago to pass the 80/20 health care and it would have addressed alot of these financial concerns.

Mr. O'Keefe said we talked for the last hour and half in Council discussion and we talked about Items 2 and 3 of tonight's agenda. We have went back and forth and back and forth staying very unfocused on the whole discussion. I think we have had a good discussion, but I think if we have action items, the discussion should be there and we could get through the whole action item instead of jumping back and forth. It would give credence to our time here and stay better focused.

Mr. Heffner asked what is the purpose of Council discussion if we are not going to discuss things. If it takes an hour or 2 hours, we are here to represent the people. I want to hear Mr. Wells side, Mrs. Ellenburg's side, Mr. Haskins side. There is seven of us, if it takes an hour, 2 hours, 3 hours, we are here to do a job.

Mr. O'Keefe said I agree with you 100%. Each of those items have discussion. We can have an hour discussion under each one of them but we went back and forth and back and forth and stayed very unfocused. Now we are going to go to those action items and probably have some of the same discussion back and forth. I agree with you. Council discussion is Council discussion but if there is an action item on our agenda, I think it would be better suited to have that discussion underneath that and we could come to some resolution of that action item, because we have talked 2 hours and we haven't even got to those items yet. Just staying better focused. I am just as guilty as everybody up here because I have talked about those items too. I think if you have an action item we could discuss it at that point in time.

Mr. Heffner stated the difference is if we do it in Council discussion, there isn't anyone up here calling the question. You do it during Council action, if I am in the middle of saying something and someone calls the question, my debate is over. If we do it under Council discussion we can talk about it and not worry about someone calling the question.

Mrs. Ellenburg said she has only been on Council for 4 years, Council discussion use to be what the audience participation was about. We discussed what they brought up to us and we tried to answer their questions. When we had Council discussion during the action part, that is when we did the discussion of the items. She is good with it either way. She agrees with Mr. O'Keefe, sometimes we can out-talk a whole situation.

Mr. Wells said Mr. O'Keefe is right on, it is a procedural thing and how the meeting is suppose to be run. My hat is off to Mr. Martinbianco because part of the reason I believe he allowed this kind of discussion is because we have gentlemen here from the DPW we can have a little back and forth with. Whereas, once we get out of Council discussion that would be kind of taken away from us unless we granted that again. Mr. Martinbianco's experience with this particular type of issue shown very clear tonight, we got to ask some pertinent questions to some people in the know, and I appreciate that.

Mr. Martinbianco stated he appreciates that. Past administrations have been largely not so much allowing the front lines of telling you what the real deal is all about. We have an administration in place now that has been very forth right in allowing the people that are empowered to speak out and tell us about issues affecting their job performance.

In reference to Item #2, Mr. Wells said he would like to make a motion to table this until the meeting of February 6th so we have a chance to talk to our auditors Plante & Moran and have a chance to do more investigating of this. I am all about making this a safe environment but our number one priority is to make sure the money is there. Mr. Wells motion to table failed. He then asked Mayor Zelenko and Mrs. Burke-Miller if for the Wednesday audit session they could have an amount of the transfers, even if it is up to this point, after the new budget. Mrs. Burke-Miller explained this would not hit in the current budget year, so there would be no need for a transfer in the current budget year. Mr. Wells asked for the other transfers coming forward. Mrs. Burke-Miller said she has not prepared the budget amendments as of yet. Mr. Martinbianco interjected that he appreciates Mr. Wells comments and request, but it really does not have anything to do with Item #2 at this point in time. This resolution would forward to the next fiscal year. Mr. O'Keefe stated he thinks it would be good for the DPW department to put together an aging status of other equipment. It would be important.

Mayor Zelenko said they made requests of the department heads of their wants and wish lists for the budget, keeping in mind equipment needs, and to prioritize for us. They are in the process of doing that.

In reference to Item #3, Mr. Smith said we are going to shoot for a 1 year implementation of the 3 options, and have it done by August 1st of this year. Mr. Smith said whatever we decide, we want to make sure it occurs in a timely manner. Mr. Wells said he thought Mr. Udell said he could actually speed up that process. Instead of doing 39, 39 and 39, we do 80. I prefer that and get moving. Mr. Martinbianco said it has been discussed and the Public Access Committee is actutely aware of where we need to go to implement some of the enhancements. Mr. Smith said you just confirmed that, a 1 year implementation, actually it is going to be less than a year, approximately 7 months full implementation of technology, work stations, and a target date of August 1, 2012. He asked if this is correct. It was acknowledged yes.

Mrs. Burke-Miller said she has 3 scenarios doing a third, a third and a third, over 3 years. It is the scenario she is familiar from her prior work experience. However, City of Burton, the equipment is so old we would have a problem doing this. We don't have a third of our computers being newer. We could do a half and a half to be more conversative and do half of them this year and half of them next year. Or we could do the bulk of the equipments, work stations and a good portion of the printers, and get it all done within this timeframe here where CSI opens up a window of 6 months for us to purchase the equipment and get it installed, and then lease payments would not start till July 15th or so. It would be out 6 months that is when the lease payments would start. The decision is in your hands right now. In terms of the capital outlay, if you look at the plan that shows 100% in the first year, if we were to purchase everything based on estimates that Mr. Udell and I came up with, it would be \$239,000. Then we would be looking at in 4 years from now doing the same type of thing, with leasing we flatten out the budget, we would have a lease outlay of approximately \$83,000 every year and that cost would be just under \$500,000 versus \$478,000 if we purchased it ourselves. In the amount that we would pay over the purchase price, which would be CSI's profit, over six years it would be \$19,346.75. If you look at it on a per year basis, \$3,224 and on a per month basis \$268.70, that is what we are paying, the cost to finance to have them dispose of all our old equipment, provide us with asset inventory tracking system so Mr. Udell knows which serial number computer is sitting on which person's work station. We pay \$268.00 a month just for Internet service here at the City. CSI will call us up and say it is time to refresh, time to start moving towards migrating again and they will keep us on track so we don't fall behind and we can continue to communicate with the outside world without asking people to send us documents in an older version or have computers break down every 5 minutes. We have a couple computers that are doing that currently.

Mr. Smith said he wants to reinforce that with us using the antiquated computers and software, the labor is your most expensive component. If we were in a cycle already the 3 year option would be best but we are trying to catch up 10-15 years of technology and I hate to see our employees that we spend all this money to have them sit at their work stations and not having the equipment to work efficiently. That is our opportunity cost. There is a vital \$83,000 but what are you paying people to go in if the computer crashes, you have employees sitting there and find Mr. Udell who is running all over the building. To me, we have neglected this area of the city to the detriment of the employee and residents. We owe it to the residents to give the best possible service for the dollar value. I can't encourage enough to Council that we look at trying to do this in 1 year. I got a confirmation from administration they can do that to get us back in line and use our human resources most effectively.

Mr. Martinbianco said good insight and he appreciates all Mr. Smith's hard work.

In reference to Item #5, Mr. Wells made a motion to approve Ron Groulx to the Zoning Bd. of Appeals Alternate, and Mr. Haskins supported. Mr. Heffner stated he nominates Jim Craig and Mrs. Ellenburg seconded. Mr. Smith inquired as to the procedure. Mr. Martinbianco said there has been City-wide

mailing/application process, we have done simply by because it is an alternate position and not a permanent position, we just had people come in and because there is a position available, they would get support to do that. Mr. Smith said we know Mr. Groulx wants this position and gave paperwork on it. I think the world of Mr. Craig but I have not seen paperwork on it. I don't know if he really wants the job. Mr. Heffner said I think they are both fine individuals. I know Mr. Groulx has just recently been appointed to Parks & Recreation and this Parks & Recreation this year is overwhelming and it is huge. He would do a great job on Zoning Board as well as Mr. Craig. I know Mr. Craig has been on Parks & Recreation a little longer and use to what is going on. I think it is more suited for Mr. Craig. Nothing against Ron Groulx. That is why I support Jim on this. Anyone that knows Mr. Craig, knows he does everything top-notch - and I am not saying Mr. Groulx wouldn't. Mr. Craig impresses me with alot of things he does and he gives alot to the City. I am good with either one of them, I just think Mr. Craig would be an asset to the Zoning Board. Mr. Wells said Mr. Craig has been at every meeting and never put an application in. Mr. Groulx recently came on and wants to get involved with the City and has filled out an application. Mr. Wells stated he will vote for Mr. Groulx.

In voting for Item #5, Mr. Martinbianco asked each Councilperson to state their name of choice, either Mr. Groulx or Mr. Craig for the ZBA Alternate position. Heffner - Craig, Smith - Groulx, Wells - Groulx, Ellenburg - Craig, O'Keefe - Groulx, Haskins - Groulx, Martinbianco - Craig. 4 Votes for Mr. Groulx and 3 Votes for Mr. Craig. Mr. Groulx has been nominated as the ZBA Alternate.

In reference to Item #3, Mrs. Ellenburg stated the motion did not reflect the 100% for one year and it should be added.
Council was in agreement.

In reference to Item #6, Mr. O'Keefe encouraged everyone in the audience to attend the City's Audit Workshop this coming Wednesday and to encourage others as well to attend. Plante & Moran does a really good job in presenting the audit and can clarify some issues.

Mr. Heffner said he would like to thank Stacy Betts and the Committee for all they have done for the Memorial Day Parade.

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COUNCIL DISCUSSION ACTION:

Moved by Wells and seconded by Haskins to: Table Item #2 to the next Regular Council Meeting on February 6, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion failed 5-2, with Heffner, Smith, Ellenburg, O'Keefe and Martinbianco voting no.

Moved by Ellenburg and seconded by Heffner to: Reconsider the Motion for Item #3. Motion carried 7-0.

COUNCIL ACTION:

Haskins moved and Ellenburg seconded the following motion:

1. Approve and authorize the Attorney billing (Richard Austin) from December 21, 2011 through January 22, 2012 in the amount of \$6,499.00.
Motion carried 7-0.

Heffner moved and O'Keefe seconded the following motion:

2. Approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into a lease to own contract with AIS Construction Equipment, with the purchase a road grader and backhoe.
Motion carried 5-2, with Wells and Haskins voting no.

Ellenburg moved and Wells seconded the following motion:

3. Approve and authorize the Mayor and/or the Clerk to enter into a lease agreement with CSI Leasing for the purpose of updating the City of Burton's technology infrastructure, disposing of antiquated hardware and refreshing said technology on a regularly scheduled basis, consistent with the 100% 1 (one) year plan.
Motion carried 7-0.

Wells moved and Ellenburg seconded the following motion:

4. Approve and authorize the Mayor's appointment of Paul Hildreth, 2364 Meadowcroft, Burton, MI 48519, to the Parks & Recreation Commission as Atherton School Board Representative, filling Bette Bigsby unexpired term of June 2014.
June 2014.
Motion carried 7-0.

Wells moved and Haskins seconded the following motion:

5. Approve and authorize the Council appointment of Ron Groulx, 6243 Willowdale Ct., Burton, MI 48509,

to the Zoning Board

of Appeals as an alternate. Term expiring December 2012.

Motion carried 4-3, with Heffner, Ellenburg and Martinbianco voting for Mr. Craig.

Haskins moved and Heffner seconded the following motion:

6. Approve and authorize an Audit Workshop to be held in the City Hall Council Chambers on Wednesday, January 18,

2012 at 5:00 p.m.

Motion carried 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:37 PM.