

CITY OF BURTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 21, 2009, 7:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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Councilwoman Paula Zelenko led the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.
The Regular Meeting was called to order by President Steven Heffner at 7:05 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ellenburg, Haskins, Heffner, Martinbianco, Smith, Wells and Zelenko.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor C. Smiley, Attorney R. Austin and G. Webster, City Clerk.

Haskins moved and Martinbianco seconded the following motion:

Approve and authorize the minutes of the following meeting: Regular Council Meeting on
December 7, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion carried 7-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

Mayor Smiley wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He looked forward to a better new year.

The Mayor and Mrs. Zelenko had the opportunity to meet with the Governor and other elected officials. The topic of discussion focused on revenue sharing. He said it was a good meeting.

The Mayor was pleased to announce the City of Burton received an Award of Excellence from the Michigan Department of Transportation for the Center Rd. rehabilitation project from Lapeer Rd. to Court St. He said it was a good project and we worked in conjunction with the City of Flint.

Even with the recent budgetary cuts, the Mayor was pleased to announce that the Parks Commission planned to provide some type of children's activities for the Memorial Day celebration.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mrs. Zelenko set a Legislative Meeting for January 18th at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of revising the ordinance pertaining to the Sale of City Owned Property. She requested Mrs. Heidenberger and Mr. Austin be present at the meeting.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

None.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Mr. Wells said that he was pleased the City received an award for the Center Rd rehabilitation project.

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Mr. Wells planned to set a Public Access Committee Meeting during the week of January 11th. He asked members to let him know when they would be available for the meeting. He would like to generate some ideas for the new committee. Mr. Martinbianco suggested the members meet to set perimeters, goals and objectives for the newly formed Public Access Committee. Mrs. Webster suggested that committee meetings be held during working hours to save on overtime.

Mr. Martinbianco referred to the Center Rd project. He suggested we send a picture of the award along with a letter of appreciation to Mayor Walling, thanking the City of Flint for their participation in the Center Rd project. In addition, we look forward to working with them on future projects.

Mr. Martinbianco asked Mrs. Zelenko if the Legislative Committee's discussion would pertain to the passage of Item #6. Mrs. Zelenko indicated they would be discussing this issue.

Mr. Heffner thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Mr. Haskins wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe holiday.

COUNCIL ACTION:

Zelenko moved and Smith seconded the following motion:

1. Approve and authorize the Attorney Billing (Richard Austin) from December 2, 2009 through December 16, 2009 in the amount of \$6,887.28,
Motion carried 7-0.

Wells moved and Haskins seconded the following motion:

2. Approve and authorize the request to Transfer Ownership 2009 Class C Licensed Business with Dance-Entertainment Permit, located at G-4225 S. Saginaw, Burton, MI 48529, from Coolich, Inc., to Gater, Inc.
Motion carried 7-0.

Haskins moved and Ellenburg seconded the following motion:

3. Approve and authorize the Mayor's re-appointment of Sue McFall, 5399 Raymond Ave., Burton, MI 48509, to the Burton City Elections Commission. Term expiring September 2012.
Motion carried 7-0.

Martinbianco moved and Ellenburg seconded the following motion:

4. Approve and authorize Bentley Middle School, 1180 North Belsay Road, Burton, MI 48509, as the polling site for Precinct 5, as recommended by the Election Commission.
Motion carried 7-0.

Haskins moved and Zelenko seconded the following motion:

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5. Approve and authorize the City of Burton Guidelines For Granting Poverty Tax Exemption. These guidelines are pursuant to P.A. 390 of 1994, and as further amended by P.A. 620 of 2002.

Motion carried 7-0.

Haskins moved and Martinbianco seconded the following motion:

6. Approve and authorize a Resolution Regarding Disposition of Tax Reverted Property to reject the reversion of some and acquire some of the following parcels to the City, as written.

Motion carried 7-0.

Wells moved and Ellenburg seconded the following motion:

7. Approve and authorize that the City of Burton Board of Review will be in session from March 8 through March 10, and on March 16, 2010. Meeting times will be from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., with the exception of March 10, when the Board will meet from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. All meetings will be held at Burton City Hall, 4303 S. Center Rd., Burton, Michigan.

Motion carried 7-0.

Haskins moved and Martinbianco seconded the following motion:

8. Approve and authorize that a resident taxpayer may file their Board of Review appeal by letter, without a personal appearance being required. This is pursuant to Section 211.30 M.C.L.

Motion carried 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Gayle K. Webster, CMC
City Clerk