

CITY OF BURTON
COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
MAY 7, 2003, 3:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

THE COUNCIL WORKSHOP IS CALLED TO ORDER BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT LARRY BRAWNER AT 3:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Wells, Martinbianco, Brawner, Cross, Bement, Centilli, Tinnin

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: B. Becker, Treasurer/Controller, R. Riess, Water & Sewer Superintendent
J. Adams, Clerk's Office

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: COUNCIL WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED 2003-2004
CITY OF BURTON BUDGETS, AS FOLLOWS:

1. Water
2. Sewer
3. Sewer Debt
4. Major
5. Local Streets
6. Motor Pool
7. Inspection

PRESENTATION:

Water

Mr. Becker stated the department is up 1% overall from the current year to the proposed year. The retained earnings summary proposes a slight surplus of \$39,000. We have not made any allowance yet on the expenditure or revenue side for the pending rate increase coming from Detroit through the County. This is going in effect August 1st.

Detroit is suggesting their increase is 9% and the County has taken that increase and suggests it will be 38%. I think it will end up being approximately 32%. The County has made some informal commitments that they are not going to put on any increases for their administration or mark-ups. If the units of government choose to pass it on, they are requesting they do not pass on any additional mark-ups.

If Council chooses to pass this on, the revenue side will reflect that increase. On the expenditure side, the water charges line item will be increased accordingly as well.

Mr. Becker stated further, the new accounting change was discussed at the audit meeting. GASB 33 now allows the tap-in revenues to be recognized as actual revenues to the City and that is reflected in the revenues. We are still anticipating a moderate level of new customers and as a result, the tap-in and front foot fees are reflected accordingly. In the current year, interest income is only going to amount to \$34,000 whereas, it was budgeted in the current year to be \$75,000.

Mr. Becker indicated this is a fairly status quo budget. Most of the other line items have been duplicated from the current year. The water fund loan for the Maple Rd. water line from sewer still is in existence. Shown on the expenditure column is interest owed to sewer which is the continuing obligation. There are three more years left of the original loan before it is paid off.

Mr. Riess said this is the first year in a number of years we have been able to show tap-in fees and front foot fees on the revenue side. That coupled with the drop in the interest income, we barely make ends meet as it stands today. Mr. Becker alluded to the proposed increase from last year's budget to this proposed budget, a little over 1%, minus the proposed rate increase from Genesee County. We are proposing basically a status quo budget with no additional employees with the exception of bringing one existing employee into the department 100% of the time and not being shared by the road department.

Mr. Riess stated further, within this budget they are faced with forces that are unforeseen. Some of which are skyrocketing block water charges. Every year we have enhancements to the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act which requires us to provide more information, samplings, monitoring, additional training and certification of operators. This all falls under the same Act. With Home Land Security, we are required by June 30, 2004 to perform a vulnerability assessment on our distribution system. We are not totally familiar with it yet. Some communities are hiring outside expertise to help with this endeavor. I think we can do this in-house and save a considerable amount of money.

Mr. Riess explained that on the expense side with the Detroit proposed increase of 38% to the City of Flint, as it filters through Flint and Genesee County, by the time it gets to us it is about 32%. From what we understand, everyone is actually passing the actual Detroit increase on, which is about 41 cents a hundred cubic foot.

Mr. Riess addressed further flow charts shown in his handouts and the various rates being charged by Detroit, Flint and Genesee County. Mr. Riess indicated they are anticipating a potential rate increase from Genesee County. Though it will not be this year. We have a rate study performed for them. They are going to change the method of how they charge bill rates for bulk water users. Those rates will range anywhere from 3% to 24 %, if they adopt what was provided to them from the rate study.

Mr. Becker said the County suggested these rate increases from Detroit be passed on stand alones. Then six months later anyone from that loop along the line that wants to mark their rate up, come on at some other interval. They also want the bill to be segregated as to which part of the bill is receiving the benefit from. One other suggestion is if Burton passed on an additional administration or labor cost, we do it at a time different than the Detroit rate is passed on. They have suggested every six months we would be looking at some type of rate adjustment. This is how extreme it is getting to be as far as water rates are concerned.

Mr. Martinbianco made reference to comments made during the State of the City Address and asked what the City's commitment is to the County.

Mr. Riess said he believes it is the year 2026, but we are obligated in the contract to pay off debt but not to purchase water.

Mr. Martinbianco made reference to the Mayor's comments that we could potentially begin our own water system and water treatment plant. Mr. Martinbianco spoke regarding the Detroit Water Board and potential legal problems regarding class action lawsuits. He asked if the City of Burton could be co-litigants.

Mr. Riess said in our contract with the County, the City shares an obligation.

Discussion continued further regarding the Detroit Water Board and litigation problems.

Mr. Martinbianco asked who did the study for the County.

Mr. Riess replied Jones & Henry.

Mr. Martinbianco commented briefly regarding Homeland Security. He inquired as to why the contractual service line item had a significant increase.

Mr. Riess said there are times when we cannot complete all of our in-house items and we hire outside contractors to do that.

Mr. Martinbianco asked for clarification regarding the 100% employee not being share with the road department and the work force.

Mr. Riess stated he is their technician. Mr. Riess addressed further the various staff positions within his department.

Mr. Martinbianco asked if they were anticipating any sewer increases because water went up.

Mr. Riess replied no.

Mr. Becker spoke briefly regarding supervision and staffing.

Mrs. Tinnin inquired regarding a breakdown on Day Star Development and the Rizzo project. She asked for the number of lots that remain unpaid.

Mr. Becker said he does not have a further breakdown since the one provided at the audit meeting.

Mr. Riess said nothing has changed since the Rizzo update.

Mrs. Tinnin asked for an update of Day Star.

Mr. Becker said depending on Phase I or Phase II, those things evolved over time. In Phase I they may not be obligated to pay the front foot fee until building permits are taken out.

Mrs. Tinnin inquired regarding the mark up from the City of Flint to the County and what it pays for.

Mr. Riess said 35.87%. He is not sure as to what all it covers. The only thing I can relate it to is transmission, where Flint would maintain the 72 from Imlay City to Potter Rd. where the County takes the water off for Genesee Road. I am not sure what the contract is with the County and Flint but they also probably provide some type of storage.

Mrs. Tinnin asked if the County could eliminate Flint.

Mr. Riess said they could by building their own watermain. The 72 inch is Flint's and Charles Stewart Mott.

Mrs. Tinnin asked if it has been explored because it may be a cheaper way to go.

Mr. Becker said Mr. Wright has been recently discussing it in the newspaper.

Mr. Cross inquired regarding the contingency capital improvement and what type of improvements the Water Department will be doing.

Mr. Riess said they did not propose any this year. There are a number of items he would like to see done. In past practice, everything we propose seems to get side tracked. We end up using the money for emergency repairs or other items that come up, so I did not propose any capital improvement for water this year.

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Mr. Becker said in past years, we tried to limit or equate that to \$100,000 to \$150,000 a project. Rick has had a list of things for quite some type. Council took action on the Davison Road extension to Vassar which was almost \$100,000.

Mr. Riess said one of the things we have been trying to do for a number of years is to pick up Elmwood Gardens, which is Menominee and Cheyenne. With Flint's problems, we still have a very difficult time trying to get them to work with us on that. Hopefully, with the gentleman running things now we can get something going on that, and if we can, that will be some money we did not budget for but utilize to pick up that subdivision.

Mrs. Tinnin asked what would have to be done to pick up that subdivision..

Mr. Riess said it will require some inter-connects and some disconnects from the City of Flint. It is 100% our cost. The benefit to us is we pick up some customers and we give a few customers some improved service because of the water pressure problems in the area. We increase fire pressure in the Hemphill and Dort Hwy. area. We also would decrease the residential rates for those customers dramatically. Mr. Riess stated further, that watermain was built in the mid twenties and he does not know what will happen if we increase the pressure if we double it. It may hold or fall apart.

Mr. Martinbianco asked where the Z-Mart Development which is in the same area, is getting their water from.

Mr. Riess said at the present time there is no water going back there. We just put a hydrant lead on Red Arrow, posturing for both areas. They are proposing some watermain back in there and sanitary sewer.

Mrs. Tinnin inquired regarding costs to hook up these customers.

Mr. Riess said with Flint it is difficult when it comes to trying to estimate work. At one time City of Flint had to perform the work in-house. I don't know if it is the same anymore or if they will contract that out. There are four inter-connects they have to dismantle from Dort and Hemphill, so there is no inter-connects between the systems. I imagine it will come at a hefty price tag.

Mrs. Tinnin asked if the City of Burton will have to dismantle those.

Mr. Riess responded yes.

Mrs. Tinnin asked if the residents could petition to have the inter-connects dismantled and we pass along the costs to them.

Mr. Riess said you could special assess the area, and if we went that far, we might as well put a new watermain in too.

Mr. Wells stated the last few budgets we have had discussions regarding a water study. He spoke to Mr. Wright and through him, the County is going to do their own water study. He may ask the townships, cities and the County to go in with them on it. Mr. Wells asked if the City of Burton would be better off to do its own study to treat our own water or, wait to see what the County will do and possibly go in on the cost of their study with them.

Mr. Riess said it depends on what you are looking for. You can skew any of those studies in your favor. They are not going to perform a study for Genesee County and come back and say Burton can do better off by themselves. I know that is not going to happen. To be conscientious within our own distribution system, if it looks like it is hopeless with rate increases, then yes we should do something. We probably should have done this a few years ago before we got to this point. It does not happen overnight.

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Mr. Wells stated we are buying treated water anyway. We would be doing the same thing if we treated it ourselves. I would like us to look at that and see if it would be less expensive to buy water from the City of Grand Blanc. Mr. Wells asked if the wells have the capacity needed to furnish the city.

Mr. Riess replied we would need additional well capacities for max days and emergency back-up.

Mr. Wells asked Mr. Riess if he feels it is appropriate at this time to have discussion about putting money aside to do a water study.

Mr. Riess said it was a viable suggestion a number of years ago when it was brought to Council to look at it.

Mr. Wells stated he thought it was a good idea from day one, but it kept getting pushed back year after year until we are at this point now. When you are talking about 38% increases and they are saying it might not be that for this year, it is going to go up again, we will not be able to afford a water study before long because all our money will be tied up buying water from Detroit.

Mr. Riess said they claim over the next five years there is going to be double digit increases every year. Whether that is true or not I don't know.

Mr. Wells said he was at work in Dayton and they showed their council meeting on television. They were going through the same thing and built their own treatment center. The cost at first was higher than what they were paying but then they showed how it would drop down year after year. In 20 years they would be paying what they were buying the water before, but it would actually be cheaper because they were treating it themselves. I think we have to look in the future, we may have to pay a little bit more starting off but if we could treat our own water, it would give us another degree of independence.

Mr. Martinbianco said it is a difficult call. I would like to give the County the opportunity to find out how good a deal they can do for us and the whole area. This water issue especially in the upper region of metropolitan Detroit is not one that will be solved simply, and it will not be a group of independent communities sinking their own wells to possibly damage the aqua fur for existing well people. It is a more regional question than that and a more far reaching issue. You are talking about Lapeer County, Sanilac County, St. Clair County and it becomes a regional issue. It is those kinds of numbers of those kinds of customers that will drive the market to be able to afford to do that, and do a quality job and be able to maintain some kind of control over it.

Mr. Martinbianco stated further, he wants to make sure the City is not going to lose customers to individual wells. When someone asks me what is cheaper to do, buy a new water pump and new tank and put a new water softener in at a cost of \$1,200 to treat that kind of water. I tell them you are going \$91.50 a quarter or \$360 a year, all of a sudden the pay back period becomes real quick and becomes far more attractive. If a person has to put a new well in where they are talking \$4,000 now for a 220 ft. well, they will still be well inside \$4,500 by the time they get all done, or \$5,000 at tops. Still their payoff period will be a little bit stretched beyond that but they don't know where that \$91.50 is going to go beyond that point in time. It becomes the question where I want to make sure we don't lose any customers because of those excessive increases.

Mr. Riess said that is the same discussion they have had in staff meetings. We have looked at our tap-in fees and we don't want to price ourselves out of business either. I went out and spoke to well drillers to find out how much they are charging and the price of water softeners.

Mr. Martinbianco said when we raise our rates, we give them full license to raise their price too which they do follow through with.

Mrs. Tinnin inquired regarding Lapeer Height hook ups and the amount of new customers.

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Mr. Riess replied it has been little by little. When the County added their \$1,000 fee onto the residents it really slowed things down over there. We had about three new customers in the last month.

Mr. Centilli asked if the County owns any water lines in Burton.

Mr. Riess responded just the 30 inch transmission main. It runs down Genesee Rd. to Atherton, Atherton to Center, Center to Maple and Maple to Flint Township.

Mr. Centilli asked if all the infrastructure would be in if the City went to their own wells.

Mr. Riess replied no, we would have to provide some additional infrastructure if we went that route.

Mr. Centilli inquired further if they have to run quite a few more lines.

Mr. Riess said it is not that dramatic but they need some additional transmission, storage and pumping.

Mr. Centilli inquired as to the need to put in more lines and using the ones they have.

Mr. Riess said the 30 inch is maintained by Genesee County and it is part of their distribution system.

Mr. Centilli asked if it is the County's line.

Mr. Riess replied, yes technically. We paid for that on our front foot assessments.

Mr. Centilli asked further how many miles is involved.

Mr. Riess replied 7 ½ to 8 miles.

Mr. Centilli expressed if they can't use those lines do we have to buy them or put in our own if we went to a well.

Mr. Martinbianco said they would not ever sell those because it services other communities besides us.

Mr. Centilli asked if we would have to put in 7 ½ miles of our own lines.

Mr. Riess said not totally because we parallel them in some areas.

Mr. Centilli asked if it would be at a great expense.

Mr. Riess said with that whole scenario you are looking at anywhere from 12 million to 20 million dollars. It would include a treatment plant, additional pumping capacity and storage.

Mr. Centilli inquired regarding Lapeer City, Lapeer County and Grand Blanc putting in their own wells.

Mr. Riess said Grand Blanc Township has a significant number of wells now. There are two or three communities that if in fact try and opt out of the County system, the County system would just about fall apart.

Mr. Martinbianco stated he has to leave the meeting. He is quite satisfied with the Water Department but he has a few questions regarding the Sewer Dpt. that can be discussed at their rap-up session. He also has some keen observations for the Local Street and the Major Street program. Mr. Martinbianco inquired regarding Truth & Taxation numbers.

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Mr. Becker said they will have the Truth & Taxation numbers sometime the end of May.

Sewer

Mr. Becker said the loss of interest income has had a dramatic impact on sewer revenues. Our fund either flourishes or is in a deficit situation because of that interest income. This year the proposed budget includes a \$169,000 deficit. Interest income a year ago was at \$226,000 and in the current year it is only at \$135,000. Mr. Becker stated further, on the expenditure side it is status quo. The budget is ½ of 1% increase over the current year. There is an increase in the contractual line item.

Mr. Riess stated there is not a lot of change. The technician is now in the budget at 100% which is part of the increase in salaries permanent. Union increases is the rest of it. For contractual services we have enhanced our maintenance operation considerably and as we do that, we find more repairs in the system that we address at the time. To my knowledge there is no proposed sewer rates increase in the future from the County.

Mr. Riess said we have the City on a five year televised cleaning schedule. The sump pump inspection program was a year old in 2002. They inspected during that year approximately 1,700 homes. We are finding 20% violations in the homes that are directly connected to sanitary sewer. Most people are voluntarily disconnecting and re-connecting to some other source. This has already made a direct impact in the pump station run time.

Mr. Riess addressed the Federal government's capacity management operations maintenance requirements. He stated it is basically bringing the operation of the sanitary sewer system under the same guidelines and penalties as they operate the water system. If you do not perform under their guidelines it will affect funding and it also will be a criminal act. Mr. Riess stated further, we are in Phase II of the Federal Storm Water Management System. We recently entered into a contract and Genesee County is the lead agency. Under contract we are to provide some funding which is about \$8,000 to \$10,000 a year.

Mr. Wells asked if the City is charging for the inspections.

Mr. Riess responded, for sump pump connections, no.

Mr. Wells inquired as to the selected areas for inspections.

Mr. Riess said currently they take certain areas and inspects each home.

Discussion continued regarding inspections, dye tests and other procedures.

Mr. Riess spoke regarding capital projects on page 46. He said some of these are yearly on-going projects. The \$281,000 amount is for sanitary main re-habilitation, sanitary manhole re-habilitation which leads to finding structural problems, joints leaking and various other repairs. There was \$21,000 for manhole inspections. We find these leaking and deteriorated where we have to replace, rebuild or re-line them and that is included in that.

Mr. Riess stated further, SCADA equipment is our telemetry that we monitor everything 24 hours. The equipment we have is 30 years old. We are buying used parts to try to keep it running. This \$100,000 amount will start us out to replace it with up-to-date digital equipment. In that we are going to steer away from phone lines and go to radio. We will save \$2,000 a month for phone charges. We are proposing for equipment to purchase a scanner for the technician. It is a large scanner 36 inches wide that we can scan our plans, mylars and digitalize everything which we have been in the process of doing for a couple of years. Mr. Riess addressed further a specialized GPS locating device that coordinates data in their computer programs.

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Mrs. Tinnin asked how much of the sewer work is contracted out.

Mr. Riess said in capital, the majority of that is contracted out other than the initial visual inspection itself.

Sewer Debt

Mr. Becker indicated sewer millage will be reduced by a ½ mill from 1.6 to 1.1 mills between the increase and the taxable value. The beginning now of that sewer bond issue with the County is now beginning to mature and expire. For a \$100,000 house with a taxable value of \$50,000, a ½ mill will mean a \$25.00 savings on the tax bill. Not knowing what the taxable value increases will be, it appears because some more debt is falling off we may be able to lower it again next year by 1/3 of a mill. We still have a \$92,000 fund balance projected at June 30, 2004. Mr. Becker stressed that it can only be used to retire the sewer debt. The current year we are looking at a deficit of \$26,000 and even with the reduction of the millage we will have a slight surplus for the proposed year.

Mrs. Tinnin asked if the reduction of the millage is based on total taxable value.

Mr. Becker replied yes.

Major Street

Mr. Becker stated this budget is up 42% over the current year which is the result of the additional new mileages from the County system. The revenue projections have taken into account those new mileages. The ACT 51 formula factors from the State have gone down for the coming year. The per capita factor in the Major Street formula went from \$29.27 down to \$28.79 and the per mileage factor used went from \$9,345 per mile down to \$9,143. Mr. Becker said the State is on-line and they are very well aware of our take-over as of May 1st. They have assured us the revenues will start to flow accordingly based on those additional mileages we have taken over.

Mr. Becker referenced page 21 and stated with all taken into consideration, we will have a fund deficit of \$436,000. For the most part that is a result of construction project commitments we have previously made. It shows we are anticipating \$647,000 of construction costs. Even though we are in a deficit situation it will still leave us with a fund balance of over \$900,000 to share in some of those grants we have already put applications in for. Generally on the expenditure side, personnel assigned now to the street division historically has been split 70% to local as far as the budget is concerned, and 30% to Major. That percentage split now with the additional Major Street mileages is proposed at 60-40. For Major Street expenditures, the additional monies they received for the mileages and revenues, the 25% that historically is transferred down is still being maintained. That is resulted in additional revenue.

Mr. Becker addressed the detail on page 32 and spoke regarding construction projects. He stated there are three or four projects currently underway or committed to being completed. The Davison Road project is under construction and the Term Street bridge replacement is part of the take-over of the roads. The section of Lapeer and Belsay Rd. is soon to be done with a 50-50% shared with the County on those projects.

Mr. LaDuke said this budget will be more conservative than in the past. We have been approved for the year 2004-2006 for about \$2.8 million of FAUS projects. Our match in that period is approximately \$565,000 which we have in our budget at this point. For 2007-2008, Center Rd. between Court and Davison is on the list for approval. Lapeer Rd. between Belsay and Vassar, Center Rd. between Lapeer and Court, Lapeer Rd. intersection at Belsay, the Lapeer Rd. intersection at Vassar, and the Lapeer Rd. intersection at Genesee have all been approved for federal funds, but the last 2 years they have not committed any dollars. Mr. LaDuke stated further, it is important they go to TAC meetings to represent the City because that is where the deals are made. If we are there, I think we have a better chance and now with the road take-over, we have now become a bigger player in the big picture.

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Mr. LaDuke stated the major construction in the 2003-2004 year for Major Street is probably not a whole lot. I think we need to be conservative to see what comes up because there are areas that the County left us, and we might address things that they didn't. We will be using some of that contractual in the current budget before June. With the increase in mileage it will be a kind of wait and see. We are trying to do as many cooperative efforts with the County Road Commission.

Mr. LaDuke said their goal in the street department is to maintain and provide the service that the Council and the Mayor wants us to do, and what we are expected to do. We hired three new staff persons and we put in the budget a full time technician this year, 60% Major and 40% Local.

Discussion continued regarding various street projects.

Local Streets

Mr. Becker stated Local Streets is a balanced budget which has benefited from additional transfers of money from Major Street and also due to the take-over where some existing major streets were re-classified down to local. We will maintain a \$300,000 fund balance for Local Streets.

Motor Pool

Mr. Becker said additional equipment in the fleet due to the takeover caused some changes in the budget. In the current year, we are still looking at a deficit of about \$83,000 but we have proposed a balanced budget. We are trying to make sure every piece of equipment when used is recorded so equipment rental can be charged against the appropriate department that uses that equipment, and then get that revenue back to the Motor Pool. When you have newer equipment you are going to have larger depreciation costs.

Mr. Becker stated further, we have not deviated from depreciating the vehicles based on what the State ACT 51 prescribes for us. Sometimes when you have new equipment you are faced with fairly hefty depreciation costs. It has allowed us in the long run to be able to replace the existing pieces of equipment because we have depreciation reserves that have supplemented the new purchase price.

Mr. Becker continued regarding various inventory items in the Motor Pool. He stated with the additional street mileages, salt, gravel, and traffic signs will dramatically increase. Gas cost and insurance also has increased. They have a greater fleet and a larger building now. The commitment Council made with the take-over of these roads, the new vehicles purchased in the last 5 or 6 months was on a lease basis. To get the initial cost of that equipment we needed a subsidy from General Fund, so that is seen on the revenue side, a first time line item of \$38,500. On the expenditure side for lease expense, that involves the \$38,000 for the new equipment purchased. The remaining part is the cost for the Building Authority bond that was floated to do the expansion in Motor Pool.

Mr. LaDuke said there is record keeping of vehicles as to where they are worked at. They have one mechanic that services the Motor Pool, City Hall, police & fire vehicles. With the new mechanic, overtime has been cut 5 to 10%.

Mr. Cross inquired regarding \$1,000 budgeted for freight.

Mr. Becker said they segregate the cost of those items delivered and utilized in the Motor Pool.

Mrs. Tinnin inquired as to the decrease in fringe benefits.

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Mr. Becker replied that part of the reason is for salaries permanent which is just the mechanic. He has 5% overtime allowed. It was as high as 50% several years ago. Under salaries permanent, we use to have a portion of the water, sewer and street department crews that assisted in some of the repairs of those vehicles. With the institution of the work order system, we eliminated a lot of the use of those existing personnel having to do repairs on their own equipment.

Mr. Cross asked if the supervision of salaries was Mr. Major.

Mr. Becker said it is for Ralph LaDuke. Mr. Major was not charged to this budget.

Mr. LaDuke said his salary is charged over Park & Recreation inspection and Local & Major Streets.

Mr. Brawner inquired regarding the amount of mechanical out-sourcing.

Mr. LaDuke responded that it depends on the repair.

Discussion continued regarding repair, equipment, out-sourcing, over-time, special projects and bids.

Mr. LaDuke said they need a shoulder machine but he will put it off a year. It is a viable tool they need and it is approximately \$20,000. It was approved in this year's budget but when the other items came in higher than we

thought, we did not have the money. Mr. LaDuke spoke further regarding the fleet's vehicles and the ACT 51 formula.

Inspection

Mr. Becker stated this is a pass thru budget funded by on-going construction projects.

Mr. LaDuke said the ability to have qualified people allows us not to have 2 inspectors. In years past we always had two. Our paving projects will start in another month along with the condo project on Genesee Rd. south of the tracks. We will have those utilities to inspect. We have a lot of work but those projects pay for an inspector. If I need to hire a temporary inspector there is funding in that.

Brief discussion was held regarding FAUS funding.

Mr. Brawner indicated the next meeting will be held next Tuesday, May 13th at 3:00 p.m. for final budget amendments.

Mr. Becker said they are somewhat ahead of schedule. In order to timely print summer tax bills, he may come to Council in June to establish the rubbish rates.

Mr. Brawner adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

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