

CITY OF BURTON  
COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE WHOLE MINUTES  
APRIL 13, 1992, 6:30 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The Special Meeting was called to order by Tom Martinbianco, Council President at 6:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Abbey, Cox, Cross, Hammon, Martinbianco, Walls and Zelenko.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Charles H. Smiley; K. McArdle, City Administrator; J. Major, DPW Director; B. Becker, Treasurer/Controller and W. Walworth, City Clerk.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: OVERVIEW OF THE BUDGET

PRESENTATION:

Mr. Martinbianco asked Mr. Becker to give an overview of the budget.

Mr. Becker reviewed the budget highlights. He said the Council would probably want individual presentations from the staff after the Public Hearing. He said he did not think there would be a need for a Truth-in-Taxation Hearing, due to the property tax freeze.

Mr. Becker said the budget has been decreased, due to the decrease in revenues for the coming year. He said he sees a short fall on State Shared revenues and only a 1% city wide increase in property taxes. These will be less than the normal inflation costs in the proposed budget.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Ms. Combs, 3051 S. Belsay Rd., asked about the Sabo project and if general funds would be involved.

Mr. Martinbianco said the outside federal funds used in City projects at this time are the CD Block Grant Funds and they are restricted by law.

Ms. Combs also asked about the possible Detroit water rate increases and expressed concern on sinking wells in the Sabo project and the possibility of wells drying up.

Mr. Martinbianco said the Council may look at a variety of proposed projects in the budget process, but tonight was only an overview session.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Mr. Hammon asked that department heads bring their list of user fees to the budget session for discussion.

Mr. Martinbianco said individual sessions with department heads would be scheduled at the Public Hearing on the 27th.

Mr. Abbey said he would like the hearing placed in the newspaper once more to be certain everyone in the community was aware of it.

Mr. Becker said he wanted it understood that the required notice had been advertised within the 15 day requirement and that the new postings were for information only.

Mr. Cox asked if this would require us to follow the same procedure for future advertisements.

Mr. Abbey said that the new advertisements were for information only this time.

Mr. Smiley asked if Mr. Hammon had the request from the Senior Citizen's Director for a new fee structure at the Center. He was advised yes.

COUNCIL ACTION:

Moved by Abbey, supported by Zelenko to advertise the Public Hearing for the Budget in the Suburban News, again on Sunday, April 19, 1992 and in the Burton Advance on Monday, April 20, 1992, to be sure that the community was fully aware of the hearing on the 27th. Motion carried 7-0.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

William R. Walworth  
Burton City Clerk

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