

CITY OF BURTON
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 15, 1997, 9:30 A.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

This Special Meeting is called to order by Chairman Cox at 9:40 A.M.

Members Present: A. Walls, B. Centilli, K. Cox, T. Martinbianco,
and C. Cross.

Members Absent: T. Hammon and P. Zelenko.

Others Present: B. Becker, Treas./Controller; J. Major, Director DPW;
R. Riess, Water Supervisor; R. LaDuke, Building
Supervisor;
J. Brown, Clerk's Office.

Purpose of the Meeting: Budget Workshop for the following Departments:

1. Water
2. Sewer
3. Building
4. Inspection

WATER:

B. Becker reviewed Pages 116 & 117 of the Budget manual and stated that there have been no dramatic changes. No rate increases from the County. There is a charge for contractual service. R. Riess said the city is adding about 200 customers per year, they are able to operate with the same number of employees. The water tower is a big issue, it will involve alot of money.

There were no residents in the audience to speak on today's agenda.

Lengthy Board discussion followed. C. Cross asked about the Miscellaneous increase, R. Riess said it was needed almost totally for testing water samples. If resident's come in for the bottles and mailing box, their department would supply them. T. Martinbianco asked about the salaries and overtime. B. Becker explained how many employees this department had and the average amount of overtime. The sale of Bonds was discussed for funding the water tower. K. Cox said he was not afraid of a Bond issue. A. Walls asked what was the minimum charge for a water bill. R. Riess said \$24.00 was the lowest possible charge.

SEWER:

B. Becker reviewed pages 114 & 115 of the Budget manual and stated that again there have been no big changes. He summarized where there are no sewers and said eventually these lines would have to be installed. R. Riess said they add about 200 new customers each year. He reviewed the duties of this department. He said there has been an increase in contractual services.

Lengthy Board discussion followed. T. Martinbianco asked for a recap of the number of employees and their salaries. K. Cox asked about overtime. B. Becker said it is lower than the Water Department overtime.

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BUILDING:

B. Becker summarized from page 106 of the Budget Manual. R. LaDuke said the biggest change is the proposed required inspections before the sale of homes. There will be no additional staff, they will work in the added inspections. There is a proposed charge of \$75.00 per home. The inspection of rental homes was dropped last year after rental homeowners protested.

K. Cox felt that the cost of inspection would not be recovered under the \$75.00 fee. He feels this should be studied further. He also feels that when the Code Enforcement Officer cites a resident, for any reason, that resident should be fined to help pay the cost of the officer being sent to investigate the complaint. T. Martinbianco asked for a review of the salary structure.

INSPECTION;

R. LaDuke reviewed the status of the Inspection department and the two inspectors duties.

Short discussion followed.

Meeting adjourned 11:25 A.M.

Jeanette Brown,
Clerk's Office