

CITY OF BURTON
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
MAY 13, 2004, 4:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

THE COUNCIL WORKSHOP IS CALLED TO ORDER BY VICE PRESIDENT BOB CENTILLI AT 4:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Curtis, Centilli, Cross, Bement, Isham, Martinbianco

MEMBERS ABSENT: Wells

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor C. Smiley, K. Foster, Deputy Controller, J. Adams, Clerk's Office

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: COUNCIL WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED 2004-2005
CITY OF BURTON BUDGETS, AS FOLLOWS:

1. Capital Improvements
2. Rubbish
3. Community Development
4. Self Insurance
5. Employee Health Care

PRESENTATION:

Capital Improvements (pg. 18)

Mrs. Foster stated in the estimated current year they are projecting the available funds will be expended. Those that are not will be carried over to the next year if not spent by June 30th. We are projecting a balance of approximately \$4,800 in park projects that would be carried over to next fiscal year.

Discussion ensued regarding building inspectors bringing Boulder Creek and Kings Lane Apartments up to stricter standards and the issue of landlord rental inspection fees. The deterioration of Boulder Creek Apartments was addressed by Mr. Curtis. Mayor Smiley indicated he will obtain further information and bring it back to Council.

Rubbish (pg. 15)

The Mayor said the City has done very well over the years to make sure there is a balanced budget in this area. Increases have occurred because of the new DEQ standards on charging money, tipping fees, that was put in place after the adoption of last year's budget.

Mrs. Foster stated the rubbish fee is increasing from \$121.73 per year to \$122.84, effective July 1st. The City started paying the additional fee October 1st. As of April 2004, there are 10,544 stops. Last year it was 10,454 stops.

Community Development (pg. 19)

Mayor Smiley stated the City receives CD monies every three years. We are allowed 15% to go towards a salary and that has been chosen over the years for the Senior Citizen Director.

Mrs. Foster indicated the monies this year will be spent by June 30th.

Discussion was held at length regarding the Parks & Recreation Commission. Concerns were expressed of better communication, ADA compliance, re-visiting the Five Year Parks Plan, Kelly Lake, grants and future projects.
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Self Insurance (pg. 41)

Mrs. Foster stated they do not have firm numbers yet, but hope to by the second week in June. In the other budgets she projected a 15% increase for the cost of health care. This budget is funded by contributions from all the other departments. It is an internal service fund and the revenues equal the expenses. Whatever money is needed is funded from the other departments' fringe expenses.

Brief discussion ensued regarding the high cost of health care.

Employee Health Care (pg. 17)

Mayor Smiley indicated employees gave up 5% of their salaries in order to provide funding for health care.

Brief discussion was held regarding contributions, vesting period and the number of retirees.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

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