

CITY OF BURTON
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 14, 1996, 7:00 P.M.. COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Meeting called to order by Ted Hammon, President, at 7:10 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cox, Cross, Hammon and Walls.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Abbey, Martinbianco and Zelenko.

OTHERS PRESENT: J. Major, DPW Director and G. Webster, City Clerk.

CHAIR STATES THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: 1st Public Hearing for a Paving Program.

The President announces that: THIS IS THE TIME FIXED FOR HEARING AND CONSIDERING ANY OBJECTIONS AND/OR FAVORABLE COMMENTS TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF:

ASPHALT PAVING WITH OPEN DITCH DRAINAGE, IN THE FOLLOWING STREETS, TO-WIT:

P-96-5 Bergin Avenue - Barnes Avenue to Columbine Avenue

DPW PRESENTATION:

Mr. Major said a valid petition of 50% was accepted by Council in August of this

year. The average lot size for this project is 80 ft. The district will follow C

Type paving. The pavement will be 22 ft. wide on the existing gravel surface.

The surface will be graded and two inches of base material and 1 1/2 inches of

wearing coarse will be added. Ditches and culverts will be added where necessary. Gravel will be added to the driveways. Existing concrete driveways

will be replaced in kind. No parking will be allowed on either side of the

street after paving. If needed, driveway tubes are about \$100 for a 12 in. x 20

ft. long tube. Curbs will be added to the intersections. Storm sewer improvements will be made, if needed.

The school is involved in this paving district. Originally, the petition covered two blocks of Bergin Ave. from Barnes to Fern. Lack of signatures on

the petition prevented the completion of both blocks. Therefore, the area will

cover from Barnes to Columbine wrapping around the four corner lots. The school

owns 17 lots in this package and does not have to accept the assessment. In the

past, the Bendle Schools have contributed to the paving project based on their frontage. The school has 680 ft of frontage with a unit cost factor of \$4,019.16. If the school participates, the base lot cost will be \$2056.00, otherwise, it will be \$2277.00. That makes a yearly payment for 12 years at 7% interest of either \$259 with the school, or \$287 without the school.

Another influencing factor to be considered, only three districts have turned in petitions this year and nine petitions are still out. The City tries to group at least ten districts into each bond issue, reducing the shared cost of the \$37,500.00 involved with securing the bond. A 10% cost is assigned to each one of the districts and later adjusted when all districts are submitted. If only three districts are submitted, the overall cost would increase by \$158.00. The Bergin street project would then cost \$2435.00, an increase of \$307.00 without the school or \$279.00 with the school. The more districts that participate, the lower the cost per homeowner. Another option would be to add these projects to the 1998 paving projects to reduce cost.

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COUNCIL LISTENS TO OBJECTIONS AND/OR FAVORABLE COMMENTS TO SAID IMPROVEMENTS.

Nile Burger, 2163 E. Bergin Ave., spoke in favor of the street paving. He is a 55 year resident and feels the area is in great need of paving. School busses contribute to deteriorating road conditions leaving large chuck holes. He expressed concern for cars parking on the road in front of the school. Cars could be parking in the lot behind the school. He said this is a dangerous situation when cars are backing out on the road in the traffic. Also, grading can't be completed when cars are parked on the side of the road. This contributes to drainage problems and improper snow removal.

Mr. Major suggested the school add a paved lane adjacent to Bergin, similar to

the Parkwood project, to alleviate some of these parking problems. If the road remains 22 ft wide, parking will not be allowed. Cars will be ticketed by police officers for parking on the side of the road.

John Stapish, 5160 E. Atherton Rd., opposed the street paving. He owns two properties in the paving district and would like two votes to count when considering the number of signatures. He feels a more aggressive grading schedule will improve the road. His concerns included parking problems at the school, dangerous situations resulting from children being picked up outside the school, and drainage problems. Also, a car without plates has been parked in the right-of-way zone for the last two weeks and the no parking signs have been removed from the South side of the road.

Mr. Hammon said projects need 50% or more to qualify for paving and each homeowner only gets one vote. Usually, drainage problems improve as a result of paving. The Bendle Schools will be contacted about the construction of an additional lane to help alleviate some traffic problems.

Mr. Major said the City used some CD Funds to help with the parking situation on Parkwood.

Cindy Henderson, 2103 E. Bergin Ave., favored the street paving and voiced many of the same concerns as Mr. Burger. She has met with Mr. Angle to discuss the project and he would be happy to hear from the City concerning the Bergin paving.

Mary Fish, 2133 Bergin Ave., a long time resident, also favored the street paving and reflected the same concerns: parking problems, bad road conditions causing expensive car repairs, and drainage problems. Tenants from a nearby apartment building are parking in front of the school, causing traffic problems.

Marlene Moliski, 2170 E. Bergin, a 50 year resident, was in favor of the paving. She had many of the same concerns as other residents. In addition, she complained about cars running stop signs and speeding through the intersection of Columbine and Bergin.

Mr. Burger complained about cars with loud mufflers using a nearby paved

street as a race track. A motorcyclist speeds up and down the black top showing no regard for the safety of school children in the area. He would like the Council to contact the Mayor and Police Chief and have a cruiser parked in somebody's driveway, just to watch the activity for a couple of days. He thinks the Police Department would be able to eliminate many of these problems before someone gets killed.

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PRESIDENT DECLARED THE HEARING CLOSED.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Mr. Cross asked Mr. Major to pass the information concerning the motorcycle, loud mufflers, cars and other concerns to the Mayor's Office.

Mr. Major said he would send a memo to the Police Department with the concerns and complaints voiced by residents.

Resolution A: APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE Standard Resolution No. 3 for the Special

Assessment Paving District known as P-96-5.

estimates A. Approve maps, drawings, preliminary plans and cost as presented.

presented. B. Determine to construct the proposed improvement as

Division C. Order the Department of Public Works/Engineering and/or the firm of CHMP, Inc. to prepare final plans, specifications and take bids.

roll, D. Order the Assessor to prepare final special assessment with provision that the first payment will become due July 1, 1997.

Moved by Cross, seconded by Cox to adopt Resolution A (Standard Resolution #3)

as read by the Council President. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Gayle Webster
Burton City Clerk

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