

CITY OF BURTON
BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES
MAY 20, 2008, 4:30 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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The Special Meeting was called to order by Council President Tom Martinbianco at 4:45 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Martinbianco, Conley, Heffner, Ellenburg, Haskins and Tinnin.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: K. Foster, Controller and L.Young, Clerk's Office.

**PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: COUNCIL WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS THE
PROPOSED 2008-2009 CITY OF BURTON BUDGETS,
AS FOLLOWS:**

- 1. Motor Pool**
- 2. Inspection**
- 3. Sewer Debt**

PRESENTATION:

Sewer Debt

Mrs. Foster stated there is no budget for sewer debt in the coming fiscal year. The sewer debt millage expired this year and will not be on the taxes of the residents. The auditors asked her to leave the fund open until they determine where the remaining balance will be transferred.

Motor Pool

Mrs. Foster stated there would be a \$30,000 increase over this year's anticipated expense. The building lease expense will expire June 2021, and the equipment lease for three dump trucks will expire June 2013. She also had to budget for increasing fuel costs.

Mr. Martinbianco asked if the 25% increase in the vehicle insurance line item was due to the fact that the replacement vehicles are new. Mrs. Foster replied that it is true that we have new equipment with higher insurance rates.

Mr. Martinbianco asked Mrs. Foster to list potential purchases in the motor pool and asked if our used vehicles get sold in the Genesee County auction. Mrs. Foster stated that she allocated \$10,000 to a new roof for the salt barn. It is anticipated that three trucks will be replaced with newer vehicles that have plows. A scanner will be purchased to replace the blue line machine. The V-Box spreader will make it easier to spread salt. She verified that the old vehicles get sent to auction.

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Mr. Martinbianco inquired about the salaries permanent line. Mrs. Foster replied that it includes 100% of Steve Alderman and Tim Troxell. Tim Troxell works exclusively on police vehicles.

Inspection

Mrs. Foster explained there is a decrease of 6% or \$8,000 because the percent allocated for a clerical position is decreasing in the next budget year. Salaries Permanent includes one construction inspector and the floater is 20% clerical. Mrs. Foster explained that Phil Panchula is charged to the specific project on which he is working.

General Budget Discussion

Mr. Martinbianco asked how many residue special assessment districts are expiring. Mrs. Foster replied there are five or six this fiscal year that we are currently in. She explained that the City refunded the original Building Authority bond because the rates had dropped so much from when they were sold.

Mrs. Tinnin inquired about funding furniture for the Fire Station. Mrs. Foster stated she transferred \$17,575 for Fire Station improvement expansion and any remaining money will be transferred into capital improvements.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

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