

CITY OF BURTON
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 15, 2005, 3:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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Council President, Danny Wells called the meeting to order at 3:04 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bement, Centilli, Cross, Curtis, Isham, Martinbianco and Wells.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor C. Smiley and G. Webster, City Clerk.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: To consider of review of labor contract of the City of Burton Non-Charter Administrative Employees Association/TPOAM and hiring of a Labor Attorney for review of tentative labor contract.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

A revised tentative agreement was given to Council. The Mayor, Mark Udell, Union President and Ed Jacques, Director of TPOAM were available to answer any questions Council might have in reference to this issue.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Pauline Dargel, 6119 Hugh St., would like more information on the tentative agreement. Bud LaGrande, 2105 E. Buder, spoke in support of an administrative union. He felt everyone should be entitled to job protection.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

The following topics were discussed: Union protection, additional time to review the collective bargaining agreement, the right to organize a union, the hiring of a labor attorney to review the tentative contract to determine if there are violations or conflicts with the City Charter and Public Acts, who will be the labor attorney, not informing Council of a potential union, retroactive pay, possible conflict of interest, the make-up of the group, deviation from past practice, Council questioned the Mayor negotiating on behalf of his appointees and the cost of a labor attorney.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION ACTION:

Moved by Cross, Seconded by Curtis to call the question to the end the debate relating to hiring a labor attorney. Motion carried 6-1, with Centilli voting no.

Moved by Cross, Seconded by Curtis to send out to consider review of labor contract of the City of Burton Non-Charter Administrative Employees Association/TPOAM and hiring of a Labor Attorney for review of tentative labor contract. Motion carried 4-3, with Bement, Centilli and Wells voting no.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

Gayle Webster, CMC
City Clerk