

CITY OF BURTON  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 7, 2008, 6:30 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
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The Special Meeting was called to order by Council President Tom Martinbianco at 6:30 p.m.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Wells.

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

**PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: To consider establishment of an Industrial Development District I-0801 for Compak Webcor CW South Packaging Solutions, Robert T. Sibilsky, President, 1220 N. Center Road, Burton, Michigan 48509, Parcel #59-10-300-015.**

PRESENTATION:

Mayor Smiley said Mrs. Heidenberger was unable to attend the meeting. She has provided the Council with backup information.

Scott Konieczny, Controller, 5081 Exchange Dr., Flint Township, said the purpose of the request was for economics. The company has been in Burton for over 25 years. They have invested millions of dollars to try and remain competitive. Other businesses have become competitive with world pricing and increased productivity. They need to invest significant amounts of money to improve their competitiveness. He asked the City to help with this endeavor.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

John Stapish, P.O. Box 190134, wanted to know how this would benefit the City. He wanted to know if there would be any new jobs.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Mr. Konieczny said the board planned to purchase nearly \$1.5 million worth of equipment, which included a cut off knife and a down stacker. This would allow them to produce sheets of cardboard boxes rather than just finished cartons. They make corrugated cartons, pizza boxes and brake pad boxes. The new equipment will allow them to make a series of attached boxes rather than individual boxes. By investing in this equipment, they hope to remain competitive in the future.

Mr. Martinbianco asked if this would include additional employment at the facility.

Mr. Konieczny said at this point they just hoped to be competitive. They would like to hire more employees in the future. However, they do not plan to add any new workers at this time.

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Mr. Haskins wanted to know how long they would have the tax abatement.

Mr. Konieczny understood this would be for about seven years on the equipment.

Mr. Martinbianco said they are just creating the district tonight. We will address specifics of the tax abatement at a later date.

Mrs. Ellenburg wanted to know how many people worked at the plant.

He said traditionally the plant runs three shifts, five days a week. Approximately 50 to 60 people work at that site. Currently, the plant is only running two shifts, due to some lay offs. However, they do plan to run a three-shift operation.

COUNCIL ACTION:

Haskins moved and Heffner seconded the following motion:

1. Approve and authorize the establishment of an Industrial Development District I-0801 for Compak Webcor CW South Packaging Solutions, Robert T. Sibilsky, President, 1220 N. Center Road, Burton, Michigan 48509, Parcel #59-10-300-015.

Motion carried 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Gayle Webster, CMC  
City Clerk