

CITY OF BURTON
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 28, 2011, 5:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS
www.burtonmi.us

The Special Meeting was called to order by President Tom Martinbianco at 5:05 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Heffner, Ellenburg, Martinbianco, O'Keefe, Wells and Smith..

MEMBERS ABSENT: Haskins.

OTHERS PRESENT: Atty. A. Doyle, Mayor P. Zelenko and J. Adams, City Clerk.

**PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: Discussion and possible action regarding amending
Ordinance 30.03 (formerly Ordinance 68-C).**

Mr. Heffner inquired as to who signed for this Special Meeting.

Mayor Zelenko said the meeting had been announced.

Mr. Heffner read aloud Section 4.7, Paragraph B of the City of Burton Charter.

Mrs. Ellenburg said she spoke to the Mayor about having signatures for this meeting. Because it was announced twice at open meetings, it didn't require signatures.

Mayor Zelenko said she went on past practice; when a meeting was scheduled during a regular meeting, in a public meeting, that we haven't in the past require two signatures.

Mr. Martinbianco said there was directive at the last Special Meeting that we established this as a date for the special meeting. If it was posted in error, we can conduct our investigative research under the guise of workshop.

Mrs. Ellenburg expressed that the meeting was announced a few times.

Ms. Adams stated when Special Council Meetings are scheduled and set in a Council meeting, they have never required two signatures, it has only been done when they are scheduled outside of a meeting.

Mr. Martinbianco said we could adjourn this and open it up as a workshop. We can conduct this as a workshop. We need to move on this. If we don't do anything tonight, we need to take action for the first reading next Monday night and second reading the following Monday night. Ms. Doyle agreed with that recommendation.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 28, 2011 / 5:00 P.M.

PAGE 2

COUNCIL ACTION:

Ellenburg moved and Smith seconded to adjourn the meeting, and make the meeting into a Council of the Whole Workshop. Motion carried 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

**** Please Note:** Attorney Amanda Doyle stated in the Council of the Whole Workshop that followed this adjourned Special Council Meeting, that in her research on the Open Meetings Act, because the Special Council Meeting was set by Council as a Whole, no signatures were required. The Open Meetings Act does not require signatures. The Special Council Meeting could be held.

Julie Adams, City Clerk