

CITY OF BURTON
FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 16, 2010, 4:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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The Finance Meeting was called to order by Councilman Tom Martinbianco at 4:08 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Martinbianco, Wells, and Zelenko.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Fire Chief D. Halstead, G. Kray, DPW Director, and J. Anderson
Clerk Typist.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: Discussion and possible recommendations concerning the following:

- 1. Fenton Road Watermain Extension from Maple Ave. to Bristol Rd.**
- 2. Construction of Fire Station #2; Additions and Renovations to Fire Stations #1 and #3.**

PRESENTATION:

Fenton Road Watermain Extension

Mr. Martinbianco read aloud the letter addressed to Mayor Smiley and Flint Township Supervisor Karyn Miller from the Genesee County Drain Commissioners Office.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Jeff Wright, Genesee County Drain Commissioner, stated the City of Burton and Flint Township have already paid for the engineering on this project which was roughly \$42,000 or \$44,000 in which they split the cost. They had hoped to get a 40% percent grant but were not rated high enough and only given a 15% grant with a 2% finance charge on the remaining balance. If both communities enter in this agreement together, it would save both communities a substantial amount of money. It will not only improve the water availability to Baker College, but it will improve the water quality the east side of Fenton Rd. in Burton, which has a very high level of arsenic in the ground water. Moving forward with this would be in the best interest of the businesses and residents health and well being.

Flint Township Supervisor Karyn Miller, stated she agrees with Commissioner Wright and they did have the engineering plans done on this project with the intentions there would be stimulus money available for this project. Ms. Miller inquired if Burton has the money to pay for this project and if they enter into this contract and Burton is unable to pay, would Flint Township be responsible for Burton's portion.

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Mr. Wright stated that both municipalities would be responsible for their own portion of the contract. This can be made in bond payments over the period of 10-20 years. He also believes that the rate structure and connection fees would recover most of these finances. The price they were given is without any help from the stimulus package.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION:

Mr. Wells stated he thinks it is necessary to do this water main extension. He feels the residents deserve clean drinking water. He inquired as to who will be doing this work.

Mr. Wright responded since it is a proposed multi-community project, the County would be responsible for coordinating the effort.

Mr. Martinbiance asked if this agreement would be similar to the agreement we entered into with Grand Blanc Township involving Maple Rd.

Mr. Wright responded yes it is.

Mr. Wells stated he believes that if we don't proceed with this project it may be something the State will step in and make us do.

Mrs. Zelenko said she also agrees with Mr. Wells and it is important we move forward with this project.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Zelenko moved and Wells seconded the following motion:

1. The Finance Committee recommends to send the Fenton Rd. water main to City Council.
Motion carried 3-0.

PRESENTATION:

Construction of Fire Station #2; Additions and Renovations to Fire
Stations #1 and #3

No presentation.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Craig Stefano, 9100 Lapeer Rd Davison, President of DCC Construction, low bidder on Station #2, states he would like to thank the city for choosing their business and would like to assure us he is more than qualified to complete this project. Mr. Stefano detailed some of his plans and expectations for this project.

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Jay Freeman, Representative for the Local Building Trades Council, said it is his desire to see this building built with local union laborers. He would like to see this project with a PLA Agreement on this project. That would guarantee that the workers are paid fair wages.

Gary Isham, 3443 Saxon, thinks a PLA agreement would be the best thing for the City of Burton.

Robert Long, 4222 Lapeer rd, stated he lives close to the fire station that is to be built and he would like to see a PLA agreement because it would benefit him and others in the community. He also feels it would be a stepping-stone to rebuilding the communities economic status.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION:

Mr. Wells asked if the \$4.5 million is the lowest bid and questioned Mr. Stefano if he would be changing the workers once we agree to proceed.

Mr. Martinbianco stated the agreement with THA already has been written and agreed to pay fair wages.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Chairman Martinbianco recommended reconvening this subject to Monday, December 20, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

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