

CITY OF BURTON
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 7, 1992, 7:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The Finance Meeting was called to order by Ted Hammon, Chairman, at 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cox, Hammon and Martinbianco.

BENTLEY BOARD MEMBERS: Ives, Austin and Wilson.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Zelenko.

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Charles H. Smiley; Dr. Ella Burton, Bentley Superintendent and C. Ladd, Deputy City Clerk.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: DISCUSSION WITH BENTLEY BOARD OF EDUCATION CONCERNING
CROSSING GUARDS AND OTHER MATTERS THAT MIGHT ARISE.

PRESENTATION:

Mr. Hammon said he would like this meeting to be informal and unstructured and just exchange ideas as to how to approach this problem and possibly come up with a compromise.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

None.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Mr. Austin said the Bentley Board was led to believe, from Bill Young, that he had a conversation with Brad Becker and he was under the impression that the City would be willing to work out payment for the crossing guards with the tap-in fees through the bonding.

Mr. Martinbianco said because of the City's fund accounting, this is not possible. Also, the Water Ordinance prohibits the City from swaping one item for another.

Mr. Hammon said the Michigan Municipal League has a program which provides mediation and arbitration to talk about various situations and possibly we should consider bringing them in to meet with us. They have an 80% success record.

The information received by both boards was discussion in depth and discussion

Mr. Austin said when the crossing guards were brought in, the Police Department did the necessary training. Discussion continued as to who was responsible for the payment of the crossing guards with both Bentley and the City being involved with the placement and training.

The Board discussed various possibilities of payment and it was a concensus of the Boards there were two positions: 1) The City has no responsibility in the crossing guards and 2) The City takes the position sympathizing with a school district who has no busing.

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COUNCIL ACTION:

A consensus of the City Board is that the City might be responsible for payment of four (4) guards in the amount of \$16,000.00. No recommendation of this board will be given to the Council until another meeting is held and possibly some language is drawn up for both boards to meet and agree upon.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:52 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl M. Ladd, CMC
Deputy City Clerk

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