

CITY OF BURTON
LEGISLATIVE SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 8, 1992, 6:30 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The Legislative Meeting was called to order by Charles Abbey, Chairman at 6:30 P.M.

Members Present: Abbey, Walls and Zelenko.

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: L. Brawner, Acting Police Chief and W. Walworth, City Clerk.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: Discussion And Possible Recommendation Concerning Firearms Ordinance And Other Matters That Might Arise.

PRESENTATION:

Mr. Hamilton said the Council adopted an ordinance in 1983 to license firearms dealers. In 1990 a State law was passed, which took this right away from local government. He suggested the Council repeal the ordinance and return this years fees to those who have payed.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

None.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION:

Mr. Hamilton said he wants to update his records and see if there have been any changes since 1990. Mr. Abbey asked Mr. Hamilton to look into this matter further to be sure we cannot legislate in this area. Mr. Hamilton will advise Mr. Abbey before the next Council meeting.

Mr. Hamilton wondered where MML was when this bill passed at the State level when it took away local control of firearms legislation.

Mr. Hamilton suggested that the City purchase the volumes of current statutes.

Chief Brawner said he thought he had a second set that he could give the Clerk's office, but that they may only address criminal law.

Mr. Walworth asked that it be determined as to where this money would come from, as budgets are tight and staff has been asked to find areas in which they could make cuts.

Mr. Abbey said that after Mr. Hamilton's research the Council may be able to write a new ordinance which would cover things such as storage of arms.

It was suggested that a letter be drafted by the Council to our State Legislators, asking who can or will regulate firearms if the local governments cannot.

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Moved by Walls, supported by Zelenko to recommend to Council that Ordinance 70C be repealed, since it is in direct violation of State law. P.A. 319.
Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

William R. Walworth
Burton City Clerk

WRW/cml