



CITY OF BURTON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 2, 2026

MINUTES

Council Chambers

Regular Meeting

7:00 PM

**4303 S. Center Road
Burton, MI 48519**

A. Call To Order

B. Invocation

LED BY: Councilman Steve Heffner

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

LED BY: Councilman Steve Heffner

D. Roll Call

Present: Council President Gregory Fenner, Council Member Steven Heffner, Council Vice-President Gary Wines, City Council Member Kris Johns, Council Member Tina Conley
Absent: Council Member Ellen Ellenburg (Excused), Council Member Candice Miller (Excused)

E. Approval of Agenda

1. Approve the agenda as presented.

Motion by Council Vice-President Wines, second by Council Member Conley, to Approve.

Voting Yes: Gregory Fenner, Steven Heffner, Gary Wines, Kris Johns, Tina Conley

Voting No: None

Motion Passed 5 - 0.

F. Staff Present

Duane Haskins, Mayor
Racheal Boggs, City Clerk
Charles Abbey, DPW Director
Ted Valley, HR Director
Brian Ross, Police Chief
Kirk Wilkinson, Fire Chief
Amanda Odette, City Attorney

G. Approval of Minutes

1. City Council Regular Meeting January 22, 2026, at 7:00 PM.

Motion by Council Vice-President Wines, second by Council Member Conley, to Approve.

Voting Yes: Gregory Fenner, Steven Heffner, Gary Wines, Kris Johns, Tina Conley

Voting No: None

Motion Passed 5 - 0.

H. Administrative Reports

Mayor Haskins reported on the following:

Former Congressman Kildee's mother passed away. Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers. Today is Groundhog Day, and we have six more weeks of winter. Hopefully our budget can hold with all the snow and salt.

1. January 2026 Investment Report

I. Committee Reports

Mr. Wines stated as Chairperson of the Finance Committee, I will be reaching out to the administration in the coming days to request dates for budget meetings. I would like to have a calendar drafted for the next council meeting.

J. Audience Participation

Now is the time set-aside for members of the audience to address the Burton City Council. I would ask each individual to give their name and address for the record and to limit their comments to three (3) minutes and to speak on the topics germane to City business.

Patrick Dargel of 6119 Hugh Street in Burton acknowledged the road crew and their ability to keep the roads clear compared to surrounding communities. He spoke about agenda item M.1 and recommended that the council follow the administrative recommendation to deny.

Mona Ballge of 2288 S. Term Street in Burton stated she is planning to fix some signs for our historical area, including Atherton, Bendle, and Bentley Schools. She stated she is also planning a school reunion for all three schools on Memorial Day. Contact me at history.mona@yahoo.com.

Andrea LeGendre of 7187 Riegler Street in Grand Blanc stated she is running for Genesee County Probate Court Judge. She currently serves as Chief of the Felony Trial Division at the Genesee County Prosecutor's Office and is a lifelong resident of Genesee County. I hope to earn your support.

Roger Mead of 1272 Arrowhead Drive in Burton spoke about the great job the DPW crew is doing keeping the roads clean and safe. Thank you.

K. Council Discussion

Mr. Johns stated I was able to attend the Genesee County Senior Games Kick-off with Jean Johnson at the Davison Senior Center. It was a full house. There was a pie-eating contest, and it was a lot of fun. There will be a baking competition coming up at the Senior Center on President's Day. If you have the day off, I encourage you to join Jean and the seniors.

Mr. Heffner stated that several years ago, our previous mayor would always represent the city on Fat Tuesday for a paczki-eating contest. I will look into this for you, mayor. Is there an update on the ordinance regarding the roads?

Attorney Odette stated she would like to have a conversation with Mr. Abbey about this.

Mr. Abbey stated there are also some new things we need to discuss about the fiber optics and metro act situation.

Discussion about Consumer's Energy patching our new roads.

Mr. Abbey stated that the mayor and I have talked about this, and we have an engineering firm looking at our street requirements because they are supposed to give us a notice.

Mr. Heffner stated the administration gets zero blame for this. You did your due diligence years ahead of time.

Mr. Fenner said Mr. Richvalsky said we are also having an issue with Consumer's cutting our trees in the DDA District. It's the same sort of thing.

L. Council Action

1. Approve and Authorize the payment of Attorney Billing (Odette) 1/15/26 to 1/27/26 in the amount of \$2,049.00.

Motion by Council Vice-President Wines, second by Council Member Heffner, to Approve.
Voting Yes: Gregory Fenner, Steven Heffner, Gary Wines, Kris Johns, Tina Conley

Voting No: None

Motion Passed 5 - 0.

2. Approve and authorize the request for Residential Sanitary Sewer & Water Installer's License for D&D Excavating LLC, 2116 Pero Lake Road, Lapeer, MI 48446.

Motion by Council Vice-President Wines, second by Council Member Conley, to Approve.

Voting Yes: Gregory Fenner, Steven Heffner, Gary Wines, Kris Johns, Tina Conley

Voting No: None

Motion Passed 5 - 0.

3. Approve and authorize the request for Residential Sanitary Sewer & Water Installer's License for Eagle Excavation, Inc. 4295 Holiday Drive, Flint, MI 48507.

Motion by Council Member Heffner, second by Council Vice-President Wines, to Approve.

Voting Yes: Gregory Fenner, Steven Heffner, Gary Wines, Kris Johns, Tina Conley

Voting No: None

Motion Passed 5 - 0.

4. Approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to extend the contract with Pavement Maintenance Systems, 384 Industrial Parkway, Imlay City, MI 48444 for the 2026 Pavement Preservation Program, maintaining the 2025 Pavement Preservation Program Unit Prices, locations to be determined by the Department of Public Works.

Motion by Council Member Heffner, second by Council Vice-President Wines, to Approve.

Voting Yes: Gregory Fenner, Steven Heffner, Gary Wines, Kris Johns, Tina Conley

Voting No: None

Motion Passed 5 - 0.

5. Approve and authorize a budget amendment within the Memorial Day Race Fund and the Burton Race Series Fund respectfully as follows: Add expense line 275-751-995.000 Transfer to Other Funds \$2,000; Add revenue line 278-000-699.000 Transfer from Other Funds \$2,000.

Motion by Council Member Heffner, second by Council Vice-President Wines, to Approve.
Voting Yes: Gregory Fenner, Steven Heffner, Gary Wines, Kris Johns, Tina Conley
Voting No: None

Motion Passed 5 - 0.

M. Second Reading of Ordinance

1. Approve and Authorize Case No. 336, Amar Shango; 8515 Highgrove Ct., Grand Blanc, MI 48439 requests a zoning change from M-2 General Industrial District to C-2, General Business on the following described parcels:

G3271 S. Dort Hwy., Burton MI, 48529, Parcel 59-28-551-001 described as:
W 150 FT OF LOTS 1 & 2 HEMPHILL DORT COMMERCIAL SITES (81)

Motion by Council Member Heffner, second by Council Member Conley, to Approve.
Voting Yes: Steven Heffner, Kris Johns, Tina Conley
Voting No: Gregory Fenner, Gary Wines

Motion Passed 3 - 2.

Mayor Haskins asked the attorney if three votes are enough for this to pass.

Attorney Odette said, yes. It's a majority of those present.

Mr. Heffner stated the mayor is correct that we need to stay aware of the budget regarding snow removal. They have been working a lot more this year than they have in the past and it only looks to be getting worse.

Mr. Abbey stated we are keeping an eye on it. Right now, we are okay, but we will probably need a transfer before the end of the year. The last three years have been mild. This year, that is not the case.

N. Meeting Adjournment

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday, February 19, 2026 @ 7:00 PM.

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The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

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