



CITY OF BURTON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 17, 2026

MINUTES

Council Chambers

Special Meeting

6:30 PM

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

A. Call To Order

President Fenner called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

B. Roll Call

Present: Council President Gregory Fenner, Council Member Candice Miller, Council Member Steven Heffner, Council Member Ellen Ellenburg, Council Member Kris Johns, Council Member Tina Conley, Council Member John Wright
Absent: None

C. Staff Present

Racheal Boggs, City Clerk
Charles Abbey, DPW Director
Dave Martinez, Building Official

D. Open Public Hearing

President Fenner opened the Public Hearing at 6:34 PM.

1. THIS IS THE TIME FIXED FOR HEARING AND CONSIDERING ANY COMMENTS TO THE DEMOLITION UNDER CONSIDERATION, TO-WIT: 1415 Allen Parcel ID # 59-30-576-050 at 6:30 p.m.

E. 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 speak on topics germane to the demolition under consideration.

Danielle Allison Hogan of 9181 Willow Gate Lane in Goodrich stated that, unbeknownst to me, this property was signed over to me when my father became ill. At the time, I didn't realize the property had been vacant for so many years or the condition it was in. I have secured the property and changed the locks. The lawn was mowed on August 7, 2026. There have been numerous break-ins. I want to ask for your permission for time to get the properties listed and sold. I do not plan to rehab them myself. I apologize, and I am very embarrassed.

F. Close Public Hearing

President Fenner closed the Public Hearing at 6:39 PM.

G. DPW Presentation: The Building Official will give a presentation on the property.

Mr. Abbey stated I am aware of the history of this property. There were issues with the estate after her father's death. The property needs work, but we are not against allowing time for a rehab. Tearing buildings down is a last resort. The neighbors are complaining.

Mr. Martinez stated the building was tagged in April 2023. I could not enter the building as it was secure. I took pictures through the windows. It is in bad shape on the inside. Squatters are in and out of there often. There is junk and debris around the home. The exterior structure is not watertight, so I do believe it is decaying.

Mr. Abbey stated we have to be careful how she markets the property. If the intent is to sell, the buyer has to know the parameters you set here tonight, and they will have a certain amount of time to pull permits; otherwise, this will go to immediate demo.

H. Council Action

Mr. Fenner asked Ms. Hogan if she is now the person who owns and can sell the property.

Ms. Hogan said yes.

Discussion ensued about the rehab of the property, the number of days to pull a permit, and which of the options (1-4) fits this situation.

Mr. Abbey recommends option # 2 with 90 days to pull permits.

1. RESOLUTION: APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE the Standard Resolution for Step V of the Burton City Demolition Procedure, determining said premises at 1415 Allen Parcel ID # 59-30-576-050 to be a public nuisance or hazard and to further require the owner(s) or occupant(s) to:

1. Immediate Demolition, with DPW given authorization to request sealed bids and the Structure to be razed within the thirty (30) days of Burton City Council's acceptance of the low bid and the City Attorney's approval of the contract documents for execution of a contract with the Mayor and Clerk, or

2. *Alter by repair the structure to Burton City Code with a Building Permit within _____ days, or

3. *Abate(tear down) the structure to Burton City Code with a Demolition Permit with _____ days, or

4. Postpone any further action for _____ days, based on the following circumstances:

The Burton City Council is to select one (1) of the above orders. The Department of Public Works recommends the immediate demolition, contingent upon Burton City Council's acceptance of the low bid.

*The Department of Public Works is hereby given the authority to demolish the structure(s) upon failure to comply with the Building Permit or Demolition Permit.

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2. *Alter by repair the structure to Burton City Code with Building Permit within 90 days.

Motion by Council Member Heffner, second by Council Member Miller, to Approve.

Voting Yes: Gregory Fenner, Candice Miller, Steven Heffner, Ellen Ellenburg, Kris Johns, Tina Conley, John Wright

Voting No: None

Motion Passed 7 - 0.

I. Meeting Adjournment

President Fenner adjourned the meeting at 6:51 PM.

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