



CITY OF BURTON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 17, 2026

MINUTES

Council Chambers

Regular Meeting

7:00 PM

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

A. Call To Order

The Council President called the meeting to order at 7:16 PM.

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 Candice Miller, Council Member Steven Heffner, Council Member Ellen Ellenburg, Council Member Kris Johns, Council Member Tina Conley, Council Member John Wright

Absent: None

E. Approval of Agenda

1. Approve the agenda as presented.

Motion by Council Member Ellenburg, second by Council Member Heffner, 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.

F. Staff Present

Duane Haskins, Mayor

Racheal Boggs, City Clerk

Charles Abbey, DPW Director

Brian Ross, Police Chief

Kirk Wilkinson, Fire Chief

Amanda Odette, City Attorney

G. Approval of Minutes

1. City Council Regular Meeting August 6, 2026, at 7:00 PM.

Motion by Council Member Miller, second by Council Member Conley, 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.

H. Administrative Reports

Mayor Haskins stated, I request that City Council go into closed session for the purpose of land acquisition under section 8D of the Open Meetings Act. Other than that, I will spare the rest of my time and ask Doron and Maya from RxKids to come up to give a short presentation. RxKids is a great benefit that we have for our constituents in Burton. Thank you, Mr. Johns for helping to set this up.

Mr. Fenner recognized that the mayor's birthday was today.

Doron Pratt of the Greater Flint Health Coalition stated he is the RxKids Outreach Community Champion. Thank you for the opportunity to share this innovative program that supports families during pregnancy and babies for their first year of life. RxKids is the first universal, unconditional, cash and prescription program for pregnant mothers and infants.

Maya Wolock, RxKids Project Manager, discussed the documentation needed to apply for RxKids, including proof of identity, proof of pregnancy or guardianship, and proof of residency. The application process takes about 30 minutes and you can apply online at www.rxkids.org

The council and administration were provided with RxKids brochures to hand out to residents.

I. Committee Reports

Motion to go into closed session before audience participation under section 8D of the Open Meetings Act for the purpose of property acquisition.

Motion by Council Member Heffner, second by Council Member Ellenburg, 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.

Mr. Johns reported on the Parks & Recreation meeting last week. Discussion included upcoming Holiday events and the Burton Trailblazers walking group.

Mrs. Ellenburg reported on the Metropolitan Alliance Committee and the 911 Consortium.

Mrs. Miller announced a book sale from 10-4 this Saturday hosted by the Friends of the Burton Library.

Mr. Fenner stated the Fire Department is having a Blood Drive on September 11th this year. You can go to the American Red Cross website to sign up if you are able.

City Council went to recess for closed session at 7:30 PM.

Council returned from recess and reconvened at 7:50 PM.

Motion to add item #5 to the agenda: Approve and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with DSB, Golf for the purchase of property and to pay a good faith payment.

Motion by Council Member Heffner, second by Council Member Conley, 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.

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 spoke about the Welcome Sign at Maple and Saginaw Street and the demolition of 4312 Dort Hwy.

Rick Fuhst of 1072 Forest Avenue asked for more information on item #5 that was added to the agenda.

K. Council Discussion

None.

L. Council Action

1. Attorney Billing (Odette), 7/31/26 to 8/12/26, invoice #1119 & 1120, in the amount of \$2,631.00.

Motion by Council Member Heffner, second by Council Member Conley, 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.

2. Attorney Billing (Miller Johnson), 7/1/26 to 7/31/26, invoice # 2083431 in the amount of \$6,972.20.

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.

3. Approve and Authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to amend the contract with T.G. Priehs, 8 mountain drive, Imlay City, MI 48444 for the Genesee Road Sidewalk project to include additional quantities without changing the unit prices to construct an additional mile of sidewalk on Davison Road from Genesee to Belsay, in the amount of \$350,000.00.

Mr. Heffner stated this is fantastic. The city has deserved these sidewalks for 20-30 years. We are finally going to be able to get people out exercising.

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.

4. Approve a budget amendment within the Major Streets Construction funds as follows:
Add 202-451-802.638 Davison Road Sidewalk by \$350,000.00. Decrease 202-451-802.628 by \$115,000.00 (Covert Road); Decrease 202-451-802.000 by \$75,000.00 (non-motorized); and decrease Major Street funds balance by \$160,000.

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.

5. Approve and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with DSB, Golf for the purchase of property and to pay a good faith payment.

Motion by Council Member Conley, second by Council Member Miller, to Approve.
Voting Yes: Candice Miller, Steven Heffner, Ellen Ellenburg, Kris Johns, Tina Conley, John Wright
Voting No: Gregory Fenner

Motion Passed 6 - 1.

M. Second Reading of Ordinance

1. Case No. 339 City of Burton, Michigan

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING, CHAPTER 157 OF THE CODE OF
ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BURTON BY THE AMENDMENT OF THE C-
2 GENERAL BUSINESS PERMITTED USES AFTER SPECIAL APPROVAL.

Motion by Council Member Heffner, second by Council Member Conley, 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.

N. Meeting Adjournment

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on September 10, 2026 @ 7:00 PM.

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The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM.

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