



CITY OF BURTON
BURTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 21, 2018
MINUTES

Council Chambers

Public Hearing

6:15 PM

4303 S. CENTER ROAD
BURTON, MI 48519

This meeting was opened by President Steven Heffner at 6:15 PM.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Tom Martinbianco	Councilman	Present	
Duane Haskins	Vice President	Present	
Dennis O'Keefe	Councilman	Present	
Steven Heffner	President	Present	
Danny Wells	Councilman	Late	6:30 PM
Vaughn Smith	Councilman	Present	
Christina Conley	Councilwoman	Present	

B. STAFF PRESENT

Paula Zelenko, Mayor
Rik Hayman, Chief of Staff
Charles Abbey, DPW Director
Bette Bigsby, Acting City Clerk

C. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

1. THIS IS THE TIME FIXED FOR HEARING AND CONSIDERING ANY OBJECTIONS AND/OR FAVORABLE COMMENTS RELATIVE TO A REVIEW TO AMEND CHAPTER 52, THE COMPILED ORDINANCE, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BURTON TO AMEND REFERENCE TO THE TABLE OF UNIT FACTORS AND TO REPEAL APPENDIX A USAGE TABLE FROM THE CODIFIED ORDINANCE.

D. PRESENTATION

Mayor Zelenko stated this hearing is to amend an ordinance with the reference of the table unit factors as an appendence of the ordinance and adding wording to reference the table unit factors in the fee schedule book. It is referenced to an improper place. It needs to be in the fee schedule, not in the ordinance.

Mr. Abbey stated this is the only one that isn't in our fee book. It has been set up by ordinance. Any time you want to modify it or change it, there is quite a process. The reason this takes an ordinance change is because you have to take it out and put it in the table. You still control what the rates are, but it is a simple resolution pass, not a whole change in modifying the ordinance. There are classifications like the county. These are things that the county has already raised. It is not a question of whether you have to raise them, the county already charges us that. There are things that we didn't have in there, like auto repair oil change. You have to put a unit factor in for those, we don't have one.

So we're guessing what those unit factors are. We don't have a classification for the medical marijuana facilities, distribution facilities, manufacturing or warehousing. We need a unit factor for those facilities when they come in. We have to have a unit to give them their REU factors. This has to be revisited periodically and updated because industries and uses change. The other changes you see in there are just county updates. This has nothing to do with us. We have to pay the county that automatically. This is what the county charges for the REU's. This is out of our control, but our stuff has to match that because that is what we pay to them. We have updated the table and added the marijuana facilities. We have taken some things out of the ordinance and moved them to the table. Everything else is in our rate book. The council controls that by a resolution. This is the only thing that didn't make it to the rate book. The county changed their rate at the drain office. There is a delay before we receive this new rate.

Mr. Heffner said we buy the water from the county at a certain price and we charge our customers a certain price. The county has nothing to do with what we charge our customers.

Mayor Zelenko said we want to make sure that we are charging our customers enough to cover what the county bills us. This is why we need to look at this every year and update it.

Mr. Martinbianco asked how often the Water and Waste Committee get together to review the suggestions that Mr. Wright makes. Partically in cases like this. You would think these would be published immediately after the board gets together.

Mayor Zelenko said there was a delay in this due to Grand Blanc Schools suing the county in 2007. That law suit recently got settled in the last year or so. The county didn't want to change their table unit of factors until after that law suit was settled.

E. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

F. CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Meeting was adjourned at 6:31 PM.
