



CITY OF BURTON
BURTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 2, 2015
MINUTES

Council Chambers

Public Hearing

6:30 PM

4303 S. CENTER ROAD
BURTON, MI 48519

This meeting was opened by President Tom Martinbianco at 6:30 PM.

I. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Tom Martinbianco	President	Present	
Duane Haskins	Vice-President	Present	
Dennis O'Keefe	Councilman	Present	
Steven Heffner	Councilman	Present	
Ellen Ellenburg	Councilwoman	Present	
Vaughn Smith	Councilman	Present	
Steven Hatfield	Councilman	Present	

II. STAFF PRESENT

Paula Zelenko, Mayor
Ginger Burke-Miller, Controller
Robert Slattery, DPW Director
Racheal Boggs, Clerk's Office

III. PRESENTATION

1. 2016 Community Development Block Grant Public Needs Hearing

Mr. Martinbianco stated that we are here tonight to talk about the options for using the Community Development Block Grant funds. He deferred to the administration.

Mayor Zelenko apologized for the maps being so small and hard to read. She is trying to get bigger maps for the Council. She summarized the purpose of the Public Hearing tonight. We have put together a list of proposed projects that could be eligible for CDBG dollars. Any project that we are going to use CDBG funds for, we have to discuss at this Public Hearing. The DDA is present in the audience and they are taking an active role in this project.

Mr. Slattery summarized the 2016 CDBG Proposed Project list.

Mayor Zelenko referenced the two properties on Saginaw Street that are listed under Demolition and Clearance Activities. She stated this is in the event that there is a private public partnership developed with the owners of these buildings so we can work together to have them demolished.

IV. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Joey Richvalsky, DDA Chair, of Burton stated the DDA is in full agreement with the items discussed tonight. They fully support this. Additionally, he would like to see bus shelters on Saginaw Street. Also, the walks on Hemphill Road are in bad shape and a danger to the public, they are a liability. The blighted property on Saginaw Street has been a problem for years and he is glad to see it being addressed tonight.

Bud LaGrande of Burton asked for clarification regarding where we will be getting the money for the items on this list.

Mr. Slattery stated there is a sign-in sheet that the audience members need to sign as part of the Public Hearing.

V. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Mr. O'Keefe asked for more detail regarding Mayor Zelenko's statement about the demolition of the two properties on Saginaw Street.

Mayor Zelenko stated they are not just proposing to go in and tear down two buildings that are privately owned. This is in the event that we could create a public private partnership with the owners. We are setting the ground work here by adding this to our list of possible projects for which to use the CDBG dollars.

Mr. O'Keefe asked for more information about the emergency safety equipment for the Fire Department.

Mayor Zelenko stated it is various equipment. She deferred to Mr. Slattery for further explanation.

Mr. Slattery stated Chief Epperson has a list of items. Some of the items include: new cribbing for extrication calls to allow replacement for all the old and splintered wood cribbing, two portable light sets to assist on structure fires and night time incident calls, a rolling rack which is a cart system used for rolling and loading 5 inch supply lines. This is safety equipment that we are doing without right now and we need it badly.

Mr. O'Keefe asked how our residents are doing with the Flint City water issue.

Mayor Zelenko stated we have 60-80 customers, residential and business that are on the Flint franchise system. They have had similar issues to the City of Flint residents. We have been in contact with the City of Flint. We are trying to get a release of the infrastructure.

Mr. Smith asked if there has been any study on the amount of money we would save in electricity with the LED improvements.

Mr. Slattery said a couple months ago we started a conversation about upgrading this lighting through a rebate program that consumers energy was offering. We do have some estimates of what the cost would be, the annual savings and the rate of return. I don't have these numbers with me but I can get them to you for your discussion.

Mrs. Ellenburg asked if Burton Auto is a Brownfield and if it would be tested through soil samples to determine that.

Mayor Zelenko said it is still under discussion whether it is eligible for Brownfield. There would be an environmental report.

Mrs. Ellenburg stated the City of Flint received Brownfield grant money when the factories went out. She doesn't see why Burton isn't receiving some of the grant money.

Mayor Zelenko said some of these grants, that one in particular, go to cities with a certain population. In this case, we didn't have a large enough population to apply for the grant. We were able to reap some benefit from the land bank demolition grant because we have houses within a certain amount of feet from the City of Flint border. What is really difficult for us is there's virtually no money available for commercial demolitions.

Mrs. Ellenburg asked about the brick building on Saginaw Street. Isn't it the responsibility of the owner? Can't we just say it is an eye sore to the DDA and it has to go?

Mayor Zelenko stated there is a demolition process that we have to go through and it is quite lengthy. Right now, there are 50 buildings on the demo list; these should be coming to City Council around the first of the year.

Mr. Haskins feels the most important thing on the list is taking over the water over from the City of Flint. This should have been worked on a long time ago. It is only \$140,000.00 and it just needs to be done. What exactly does it take from the City of Flint to make it happen?

Mayor Zelenko said we have to have their permission to shut down or take over their infrastructure. They have been under an emergency manager for quite awhile so the power has just come back to the Mayor and City Council in the City of Flint. So, now we can have those talks. Our Treasurer and the City of Flint's Treasurer have had conversations.

Mr. Slattery said physically, it isn't difficult to do because we have water in that area. It is a matter of closing valves on our system to remove them, opening valves on their side and adding some loops.

Mr. Haskins said he would like the dirt roads paved in the subdivisions. We can't do them all but Kenneth and Connell area for example. The list looks spot-on.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM.



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SCHEDULED

AGENDA ITEM (ID # 1940)

Meeting: 11/02/15 06:30 PM

Department: Department of Public Works

Category: Public Hearing

Prepared By: Amber Abbey

Department Head: Rachael Boggs

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2016 Community Development Block Grant Public Needs Hearing

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2016 CDBG Proposed Projects (PDF)

2016 CDBG Proposed Projects

Estimated 2016 Allocation for the City of Burton is \$210,859.00

We would like 15% of the Award to go the Senior Center for Public Services. This has been done in the past. The amount is estimated at \$31,628.85. The amount left for Public Improvement Projects is estimated at \$179,230.15.

Street Improvement Projects:

Paving of the Gravel Streets in the all qualifying areas.

- Parkwood: from 2211 to Fern (1/2 Block) - \$36,000.00
- Bergin: from Columbine to Fern - \$63,000
- Scottwood: from Barnes to Fern - \$148,000.00
- Kenneth: Barnes to East Terminus - \$270,000.00
- Mclean: Fern to East Terminus - \$31,000.00
- Quinlann: Judd to North Terminus - \$184,000.00
- Heilmann: Fern to East Terminus - \$35,000.00
- McLaren: Fern to East Terminus - \$15,000.00
- Farley: From Term to Center - \$189,000.00
- Farley: From Term to west terminus - \$29,000.00
- Byers Street - \$122,000.00
- Loder Ct - \$101,000.00
- Sayre Ct. - \$62,000.00
- Saxon - \$34,000.00
- Marion / Christner - \$227,000.00
- Clarice: From Atherton to Center - \$172,000.00
- Clarice: From Atherton to South terminus - \$93,000.00
- Buckingham - \$64,000.00
- Burroughs - \$176,000.00
- Leta - \$62,000.00
- McKeighan - \$67,000.00
- Lockhead - \$66,000.00
- Dell - \$60,000.00
- McKinley- \$81,000.00
- Joyce - \$147,000.00
- Warehouse - \$84,000.00
- Alpena \$138,000.00
- Berent - \$120,000.00
- Myrton - \$335,000.00
- Ogema - \$87,000.00
- Glen Gary - \$65,000.00
- Red Arrow - \$121,000.00
- Laurel - \$136,000.00
- Donovan - \$43,000.00

- Connell- \$121,000.00
- James - \$101,000.00
- Barcy - \$56,000.00
- Whittemore: From West Terminus to east Terminus off Pringle - \$51,000.00
- Parkwood: From West Terminus to east Terminus off Pringle - \$21,000.00
- Boatfield: From West Terminus to east Terminus off Pringle - \$59,000.00
- Bergin: From West Terminus to east Terminus off Pringle- \$68,000.00
- Shubert- \$133,000.00
- Jolson: From Fern to east terminus - \$21,000.00

Ditching of all streets in the qualifying areas.

Improvements to Lighting in Public Places Projects

- Senior Center / Burton Public Library LED Lighting installation throughout the building - \$28,000.00
- Burton Memorial Library LED Lighting installation throughout the building - \$15,000.00

Water/ Sewer Improvements

- Disconnect Flint franchise water customers and connect to Burton watermain infrastructure by adding a watermain on Hemphill from Cheyenne east to Dort Hwy and south on Dort Hwy approximately 500' to complete the water loop. \$140,000.00

Fire Station Projects & Fire Runs

- Emergency Safety Equipment - \$29,400.00

Demolition and Clearance Activities

- Demolish Commercial Buildings on Saginaw Street to assist the Downtown Development Authority in completion of the “DDA Visioning Plan and Guide Book”
 - o 3336 Saginaw St (Vacant Block Bldg) - \$14,000.00
 - o 4523 Saginaw St (Burton Auto Parts) - \$60,000.00

Sidewalk Improvements

- Sidewalk replacement on Hemphill from Saginaw to Grand Traverse - \$45,000.00