

**Burton Village Council
September 14, 2009**

Mayor Blair called the Council meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call: Judy Beaumier-yes, Gerald Rougé-yes, Linda Swaney-yes, Darren LaForce-yes, Craig Ronyak-yes, Jeff Coleman-no

Visitors: Jack Garner, Dianne Lillibridge, Charles Hauser, Marcianne Kimpton, Joyce Blair, Josh Echt, Michael Miller, Sue Fisher, Vicki Kotwica, Curt Johnson, Fire Chief Sestak, Robyn Morris

Engineers Report:

Mr. Hess was unavailable to report

Fire Report:

Chief Sestak reviewed the numbers of fire and EMS calls for August 2009. One of the tankers will be out of service for a couple days for preventative maintenance. Chief Sestak said the Geauga County Fair went well. The new Department vehicle is at the station and needs the letter details and light bar installed.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Ms. Beaumier introduced Resolution 2009-23 approving the Fiscal Officer to request an Amended Certificate of Resources and Permanent Appropriations from the County Auditor regarding the Special Revenue Funds, and moved to waive further readings. Ms. Swaney seconded the motion. Roll call: Judy Beaumier-yes, Linda Swaney-yes, Gerald Rougé-yes, Darren LaForce-yes, Craig Ronyak-yes

Ms. Beaumier moved to adopt Resolution 2009-23 and Ms. Swaney seconded the motion. Roll call: Judy Beaumier-yes, Linda Swaney-yes, Gerald Rougé-yes, Darren LaForce-yes, Craig Ronyak-yes

Ms. Beaumier placed Resolution 2009-24, designating Christopher Paquette to attend mandated Ohio House Bill 9 Public Records Training for Craig Ronyak as his Representative, on first reading.

Ms. Beaumier moved to adopt Ordinance 2184-09 amending Section 921.03 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Burton to increase the maximum Mayors Permit Bond and Ms. Swaney seconded the motion. Roll call: Judy Beaumier-yes, Linda Swaney-yes, Gerald Rougé-yes, Darren LaForce-yes, Craig Ronyak-yes

Ms. Beaumier introduced Resolution 2009-25, accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary Tax Levies and certifying them to the County Auditor.

Zoning Inspector:

Mr. Miller approved several Zoning Permits since the last meeting.

Mr. Rougé asked Mr. Miller to look into a yard sale on Kirtland Street. It has been going on for several days and there is a time limit for garage and yard sales in the Village.

Ms. Lillibridge said there is a sign in the right-of-way on West Center Street for a contractor who did work on a garage.

Mr. Miller will follow up with both situations.

Fiscal Officer:

Ms. Beaumier made a motion to pay approved bills and Ms. Swaney seconded. Mr. LaForce asked to wait until all bills are reviewed.

Ms. Dahlhausen said Mr. Paquette has asked for approval of a copier for the Police Department from of the quotes provided. Mr. LaForce made a motion to wait for the next meeting for approval due to some questions Council would like to ask Mr. Paquette and Mr. Ronyak seconded. Roll call: Darren LaForce-yes, Craig Ronyak-yes, Judy Beaumier-yes, Linda Swaney-yes, Gerald Rougé-yes

Ms. Beaumier made a few corrections to the August 24, 2009 Council meeting minutes.

Ms. Beaumier made a motion to approve the August 24, 2009 meeting minutes as amended and Mr. LaForce seconded. By voice vote, all Council members approved.

Mayor Blair called on Ms. Morris to present the 2009 Ghost of Burton Historical Tour to Council. The dates will be Saturday, October 17th and 24th. They will be visiting Memorial Cemetery and hopefully a few others. Ms. Morris asked for Councils approval to use the park for a Blacksmith and possibly Civil War re-enactors.

Mr. Coleman arrived at 7:25 PM.

Mr. LaForce made a motion to allow Ms. Morris to use the park for the Ghosts of Burton Tour and Mr. Ronyak seconded. By voice vote, all Council members approved.

Ms. Beaumier made a motion to pay approved bills and Mr. LaForce seconded. By voice vote, all Council members approved.

Committee Reports:

Planning Commission, Architectural Review Board and Finance: Mr. Rougé

Mr. Rougé reported finances are in order.

Mr. Rougé stated the Architectural Review Board approved the new Gas USA plans for the gas station off of the park.

Mr. Rougé was not able to attend the Planning Commission meeting. Mayor Blair said the plans for Gas USA were also approved by the Planning Commission after they had been revised.

Economic Committee and Fire Department: Mr. LaForce

Mr. LaForce reported the Economic Committee has not met.

The Fire Department report was given earlier.

Local Government and Cemetery: Mrs. Beaumier

The last Cemetery Board meeting was June 29, 2009. A Walker diesel mower was purchased at the meeting, which was recommended by the Street Department. Ms. Beaumier asked Mr. Coleman to look into a monthly maintenance report the Cemetery

Board asked the Street Department to fill out for the first season while the mower is in use. Mr. Coleman will follow up with the situation

Mrs. Beaumier reported on the Township meeting. Morton Salt has offered the Township \$52 a ton for salt this year, which is a \$20 savings from 2008. Mr. Scott Ronyak suggested the Township Street Department buy a crack sealing machine to save on money. The Township has signed a new insurance agreement which will be an immense cost savings.

Streets and Board of Public Affairs: Mr. Coleman

Mr. Coleman was not able to attend the Board of Public Affairs meeting. Mr. LaForce reported that Mr. Eaton presented a quote for remote meters. It would cost about \$80,000-\$100,000 for all of the equipment and installation of the meters. Mayor Blair added this would cut down on labor cost for reading the meters. Mr. LaForce said a 5% water increase was also passed by the Board.

Ms. Beaumier brought attention to a recent article in the Cities and Villages Magazine about septic systems and sewage treatment facilities not being equipped to remove medications and chemicals in personal care products from wastewater. She asked that the Board of Public Affairs members are given a copy of the article.

Mr. Coleman presented several quotes for the installation of central hydraulics, a strobe light and a plow for the new dump truck. Mr. Coleman made a motion to approve the best and lowest quote from Best Truck Equipment for \$11,194 and Ms. Swaney seconded.

Roll call: Jeff Coleman-yes, Linda Swaney-yes, Gerald Rougé-yes, Darren LaForce-yes, Craig Ronyak-yes, Judy Beaumier-yes

Mr. Coleman said trucks are already jumping the curb on the north side of Ford Lane. He said it is only a matter of time before the curb breaks and would like to put a "No Tractor Trailer Right Turn" sign on North Cheshire Street before the Ford Lane intersection. He would also like an Ordinance drafted by Mr. Hicks (Village Solicitor) so the issue can be enforced by the Police Department. Some Council members agreed.

A truck drove over the sidewalk on the east side of North Cheshire Street and cracked it, which the Street Department will repair. Mr. Coleman is also going to contact D.B. Bentley to install the state mandated truncated domes on the north and south sides of Ford Lane. They installed bricks with dimples on them and some of the dimples have already broken off.

Council would like the flowers and hanging baskets around town watered by the Street Department until the Apple Butter Festival.

Mr. Ronyak asked if the company that did the Chip and Seal job on Kirtland Street was coming back to sweep the extra stone. Mr. Coleman will look into the situation.

Mr. Rougé said there was discussion in the past about not Chip and Sealing roads in the Village due to stone going into the storm sewers. Mr. Coleman said this was the most cost effective way to repair the road this year.

Board of Zoning Appeal and Board of Review: Mr. Ronyak

Mr. Ronyak reported the Board of Review met for abatement on penalties and interest for delinquent municipal income tax last month.

The Board of Zoning Appeals has not met.

Forestry and Parks, Grants and Historic District Association: Ms. Swaney

Ms. Swaney reported the Tree Commission doesn't make quorum often because Board members don't show up. She will advertise in the next Newsletter for available residents that are interested in serving on the Tree Commission.

Ms. Swaney will check into the grant that Garrettsville received for their remote meters. There is still some grant money available in the Heritage Ohio for Street Scraping. Ms. Swaney will look into this and get back to Mr. Coleman.

The Historic District Association will be holding their annual fundraiser at the Apple Butter Festival. They are also doing a study on families that have many generations that lived in the Village of Burton.

Mayors Report:

Mayor Blair brought attention to a thank you card from A.H. Christianson's. Ms. Christianson was very pleased with the well-organized North Cheshire Project.

Mayor Blair reported the Burton/Middlefield Rotary canceled their car show at the Fairgrounds and County Line Automotive Restoration LLC is now having a car show on September 26th. The proceeds will go to the Autism Foundation, Amber Law and the Shriners.

Old Business:

Council had questions for Mr. Paquette about previous discussion on reducing carryover from the Fire Levy. They will discuss at the next meeting.

Ms. Lillibridge said the CASA for Kids event at the Historical Society was handled very well. Ms. Swaney said it is almost like Kindergarten Safety Town, but for kids of all ages and is organized by the County.

New Business:

Ms. Beaumier made a motion to celebrate Halloween Trick-or-Treating from 5-6:30 PM on Saturday, October 31, 2009 and Mr. Ronyak seconded. By voice vote, all Council members approved.

Mr. Coleman will be getting quotes for fall brush pickup. Mayor Blair asked that brush pickup is planned for the weekend after the Apple Butter Festival.

Council agreed to hold a Joint Council/Board of Public Affairs meeting on October 13, 2009.

Mayor Blair informed Council the installation of the Fiber Optic Line is starting this week and will last about two weeks. They will have two to three crews working in town and someone from Hess Engineering will be with them at all times to make sure things are completed according to our standards.

Mr. Coleman thanked the Utilities Department for the work well done fixing the water main break on 87 during the Geauga County Fair.

Ms. Beaumier made a motion to have a Volunteer Appreciation Day for Village residents that volunteer for Committees and Boards on October 26th from 6:15-7 PM and Ms. Swaney seconded. By voice vote, all Council members approved. Council agreed to spend no more than \$100 on the event.

Discussion was held on Emergency Needs Forms for residents with disabilities in case of an emergency in the Village. Council discussed possible ways to get the forms to

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residents. Mr. LaForce and Chief Smigelski discussed creating a group with the Township for emergency response and may meet with them. They will discuss this issue as well.

Mrs. Beaumier moved to adjourn and Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM.

Mayor

Clerk