

**Special Council Meeting
4 January 2010**

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

Swearing In:

Mayor Blair swore in newly elected Council members Jeff Coleman, Charles Hauser, Dianne Lillibridge, and Craig Ronyak. Mayor Blair also swore in Brian Johnston to the Board of Public Affairs.

Roll Call: Gerald Rougé – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Charles Hauser – Yes.

Visitors: Brian Johnston and Mike Sestak

Assignment of Committees;

Mayor Blair made the following Committee assignments for 2010.

Linda Swaney	TREES and PARKS, GRANTS, HISTORIC DISTRICT ASSOCIATION
Charles Hauser	PLANNING COMMISSION, FIRE
Jeff Coleman	STREETS and CEMETERY
Craig Ronyak	BZA, LOCAL GOVERNMENT
Gerald Rougé	BPA, BOARD OF REVIEW
Dianne Lillibridge	FINANCES, ECONOMIC COMMITTEE, Architectural Review Board, BCPA

Fire Report:

Chief Sestak, representing the Burton Volunteer Fire Department, invited Council to the January Burton Volunteer Fire Department banquet. Chief Sestak stated that the dinner was on Saturday January 9th at 6 PM in the Fire Hall. He requested that Council members interested in attending RSVP before Wednesday and preferably by Tuesday night. Reservations can be made by calling the Fire station and leaving your name. Chief Sestak stated his intention to get together with the Village and discuss future budgets and the levy. Chief Sestak also asked the Village to consider entering into a Fire Tax District with the other communities served

by the Fire Department as a way to generate more money and offer better pay to Fire Department employees. Chief Sestak believes that a pay increase is needed to retain employees. Chief Sestak suggested a separate levy just to cover pay. Council discussed. Mr. Coleman asked for an explanation of what a Fire Tax District would achieve. Council discussed further. Mr. Paquette asked if Burton Township had been approached with this idea and whether or not the Township had a contract. Chief Sestak replied that the Township had not been approached yet, the Village was first. Chief Sestak also reported that the Township has a contract with the Fire Department, paid monthly. Ms. Swaney will put a note in the next newsletter asking residents for their input.

Mr. Hauser asked when the next Fire Department meeting would be held. Chief Sestak noted that meetings are the third Tuesday of each month.

Election of President of Council

Mayor Blair called upon Council to choose a President of Council who would act in place of the Mayor in his absence. Mr. Ronyak nominated Ms. Swaney. Mr. Hauser seconded the motion. Mr. Coleman nominated Mr. Rougé. Mrs. Lillibridge seconded the motion. Mayor Blair asked if there were any other nominations. There being none Mayor Blair called for a vote. On the nomination of Ms. Swaney, Roll Call: Craig Ronyak – Yes, Charles Hauser – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – No, Gerald Rougé – Yes, Jeff Coleman – No, Linda Swaney – Yes. By majority vote, Ms. Swaney is elected President of Council.

Mayor Blair asked if there was any other business to come before Council. There being none, Mayor Blair asked for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Hauser moved to adjourn and Ms. Swaney seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer