

**Council Meeting
11 March 2013**

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

Roll Call: Linda Swaney – Yes, Craig Ronyak – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – Yes, Charles Hauser – No, Brian Johnston – Yes.

Visitors: Marcianne Kimpton, Jack Garner, Chad Eldridge, Judith Beaumier, Lee Koroshes, Jane Koroshes, Joe Koziol, Ann Wishart, Rick Gruber, Judith Beaumier, Kim Breyley, Missy Danz, JoAnne Barna, James Barna, Michele Price, Teresa McCartney, Jerry McCartney, Rick Smigelski, Mike Sestak.

Mayor Fischbach recognized Mr. Jerry McCartney representing the Burton Boosters. Mr. McCartney addressed Council regarding the Burton Boosters efforts to install pride, community support, and more awareness of Berkshire Schools through Purple Pride Community. Borrowing a tactic from Massillon Ohio schools, the boosters asked permission from Council to paint “badger prints” on village streets leading to the High school. The “prints” would be no larger than 3’ x 3’ and purple in color if possible. The boosters would assume all costs with painting and upkeep of the “prints”. Mr. McCartney provided Council with a picture of the suggested print and said stencils would be purchased from a collegiate level manufacturer and the paint would be road paint supplied by Sherwin Williams. Chief Smigelski was asked to investigate any possible concerns ODOT may have so that a Council can vote on the proposal at the next meeting.

Engineers Report:

Mr. Eldridge reported that the Cook Street Water Line Replacement project was complete to point of water line, storm sewer and valve hook ups and installation. Snavely Company has submitted their first pay request including five change orders relating to time lost due to unmarked water and gas lines. Paving should be completed around the end of March. Mrs. Lillibridge asked about the valves in a driveway apron. Mr. Eldridge reported that the placement was necessary to be most efficient for the water shut off and line isolation. The apron is now scheduled to be concrete vice asphalt to keep the valve boxes from shifting. Rapids Road project funding has been awarded to the Village. Mrs. Lillibridge asked about charges to the Village for plot review of the Englert house. Mr. Eldridge and Mr. Gruber responded that they were probably multiple reviews to address issues in the plan. Permits to build will not be issued until all fees are paid.

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The Issue II request is due around May 1.

Fire Department Report:

Chief Sestak could not report on the prior month due to computer issues. Chief Sestak asked Council to meet with the Department to discuss putting a replacement Fire Levy on the November ballot. Chief Sestak argued that he had to promise the Village would have a 10% increase in the next fire contract in order to obtain a contract with Burton Township. Mr. Johnston asked for a meeting with the Chief to see the Fire Department costs. Chief Sestak recommended that Mr. Johnston attend a Fire Department trustees meeting on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Zoning Report:

Mr. Rick Gruber reported that he was able to issue sign permits for the Pizza shop, the health spa and Burton Family restaurant. Mr. Gruber is waiting for fees to be collected from the Englert's for their new home before signing off. Permits have been requested for a shed removal and the removal of an addition at the Morgret's home. The owner of the unlicensed vehicle near the park is being advised to remove or license. Mrs. Lillibridge asked the Police and Mr. Gruber to look into an unlicensed vehicle at the rental property at Western Reserve Coop on Ford Lane.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

No ordinances or resolutions were brought before Council.

Fiscal Officer

Mr. Paquette asked for a motion to pay approved bills. Mr. Coleman moved to pay approved bills and Mr. Johnston seconded the motion. By voice vote, motion approved.

Mr. Paquette recommended holding the minutes of 25 Feb 2013 until the next meeting because not everyone has had a chance to review.

Mr. Paquette asked Council to review their calendars for a date to hold the Capital Improvement Project meeting. Suggested dates were 20, 21, or 22 March.

Mayors Report:

Mayor Fischbach updated Council on the Ohio Chautauqua 2014 site visit. The PowerPoint presentations done by Ms. Swaney and Chief Smigelski were excellent. There are many communities vying for the Ohio Chautauqua event in 2014, including many in Northeast Ohio.

Committees

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BPA, Fairboard, Century Village, Ordinance Review: Mr. Ronyak
Mr. Ronyak reported that BPA discussed the Cook street repairs and the water main breaks. Fairboard discussed the impact of Governors budget on them. The Ordinance review is ongoing.

BCPA, Grants, Cemetery, Local Government: Mrs. Lillibridge
Mrs. Lillibridge reported that BCPA meets in March to discuss a possible Fire District at 7PM in the large library meeting room. Cemetery meets Tuesday 12 March. Mrs. Lillibridge reported that Burton Township is leasing a truck; Township parks committee is developing a mission statement.

Streets, Economic Development, BZA, and Health District: Mr. Hauser
Mr. Hauser was not available to report.

Community Programs, Newsletter, Historic District: Ms. Swaney
Ms. Swaney reported that Historic District Association, Architecture review Board and Council held a training sessions with Mr. Shibley to see the work he has done restoring a historic building on North Cheshire. 25 people were in attendance. Mr. Shibley offered his vision for the community. Mrs. Lillibridge commented that the plan put forth was the same as Mr. Samuel's some seven years earlier as an outcome of the BCPA meetings.

Trees and Parks, Berkshire Schools, Planning Commission: Mr. Coleman
Mr. Coleman stated that he was able to obtain the January minutes from the School board. Mr. Ben Larson is interested in filling the vacant Tree Commission seat. Mrs. Beaumier dropped off the Arbor Day poster contest info and supplies to the school. Mr. Coleman sent a letter to the High School environmental science teacher, Sheri Gogin, asking her class to monitor the Village for Asian Long Horn Beetle. Arbor Day celebrations are on 27 April from 1 to 3 PM in the large meeting room of the Library

Finances, Police and Fire representative, Historic District Architectural Review Board: Mr. Johnston
Mr. Johnston clarified earlier remarks made by the Fire Chief; the Village of Burton has not made any agreement to pay 10% more for the fire contract in 2014.

Mr. Johnston reported the Historic District Architectural Review Board has approved signs for Franco's Pizza and the Burton Family Restaurant. Mr. Johnston has met with Mr. Burnett and the Chief to discuss fire contracts. Mr. Johnston asked Chief Smigelski to explain A.L.I.C.E. training to Council. ALICE is the latest technique to combat violence in schools and similar locations. The idea is to teach teachers, administrators and students how not to be victims through some simple steps. Chief Smigelski would like to send two officers to learn the program. Council and members of the

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audience discussed. Mr. Johnston asked Mr. Paquette if funding was available. Mr. Paquette replied that this was the first he was aware of the request and wasn't sure where money would come from. Mayor Fischbach suggested the General Fund. Mr. Ronyak moved to send two officers to ALICE training. Ms. Swaney seconded the motion. Roll Call: Craig Ronyak – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Dianne Lillibridge – abstain, Brian Johnston – Yes.

Old Business:

Mayor Fischbach covered the need for a comprehensive strategic plan and started by setting up a committee consisting of Mr. Johnston, Ms. Swaney, the Fiscal Officer and certain community members, namely Ms. Wayman and Mr. Brockway. Mayor Fischbach also recommended reconnecting with Cleveland State University to invite Ms. Kirby Date to address the committee about Burton's options.

New Business:

Lee Koroshes reminded Council that Saturday March 30th was the Village Easter Egg Hunt. One Saturday in March will be a pancake breakfast for our Amish neighbors. The Ladies Auxiliary is conducting an Oink and Squeal event to fund scholarships for Berkshire and Cardinal School districts. Admission to the event is a canned good for donation.

Mr. Ronyak moved to adjourn and Mr. Johnston seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer