

Burton Village Council Meeting
Minutes
March 22, 2021

Visitors: Jennell Dahlhausen, Todd Hicks, Rick Smigelski, Rick Gruber, Ann Wishart, Chip Hess, Dan Demko, Richard Piriano, Ann Blair, Rick Chambers, Marla Hunt.

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

Roll Call

Alex Hansel – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes, Bonnie Richards – Yes, Cory Brown – Yes, Charles Boehnlein – Yes, Caleb Ferroni – Yes

Public Hearing – Zoning Changes

Mr. Boehnlein moved to open the Public Hearing for changes to the Zoning Ordinances at 7:01 PM, seconded by Mr. Blair. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Mayor Spanos asked if there was any comments or discussion on Ordinance 2402-21 changing the zoning of a Preston property. Ms. Hunt stated she lives across the street from this property and asked what the plans are for the property with the zoning change. She said they keep expanding and she does not want to look at a huge car dealership. Mr. Gruber stated this is a two acre parcel that Mr. Preston purchased strictly as a buffer to install dirt mounds and landscaping.

Mr. Boehnlein moved to close the Public Hearing at 7:05 PM, seconded by Mr. Blair. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Mr. Preston called in by telephone to discuss a few items of concern with his construction project with Council. Mr. Preston said he is opposed to installing a sidewalk beyond his property. He was informed that he would only have to install a sidewalk on the properties that he just purchased to connect to the current sidewalk that dead ends. He agreed to install the sidewalk.

A second concern that Mr. Preston addressed was extending the driveway on Rapids Road and moving a hydrant to accommodate the Mayors request to have the car carrier unload on their property. There have been several traffic issues due to limited site when pulling off of Rapids Road while a car carrier is parked on the side of 87. Mr. Preston stated the hydrant would have to be moved at the village's expense since he already had everything approved through Council for the car carrier to unload on 87.

Ms. Dahlhausen asked if Mr. Preston would be able to install a driveway off of 87 on the lots that he just purchased wide enough for the car carrier. Mr. Preston stated if Council is willing to wait a little longer until the drive is installed on 87, then he would have the car carriers enter there. Council agreed to wait for the drive to be installed off of 87.

Minute Approval:

Mr. Boehnlein moved to approve the minutes of March 8, 2021, seconded by Mr. Hansel. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Mayors Report

Mayor Spanos stated the board terms for Alison Weeks to the HDRB and Matthew Markiewics to the Tree Commission have expired and she recommended their reappointment.

Mr. Brown moved to reappoint Ms. Weeks to the HDRB, seconded by Mr. Hansel. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Ms. Richards moved to reappoint Mr. Markiewics to the Tree Commission, seconded by Mr. Boehnlein. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Standing Committees

Finance, Funding and Personnel Committee – Mr. Boehnlein & Mr. Ferroni had nothing to report.

Police Department Report – Chief Smigelski provided his report by email.

Fire Department Report – Chief Wendl was not available to report.

Street Committee – Chief Smigelski had nothing to report.

Council Reports on Independent Boards and Commissions

Board of Public Affairs – Mr. Hansel said BPA approved quotes to replace a hand railing around an old section of the WWTP, for well cleaning and for a new control system at the water plant.

Board of Zoning Appeals – Mr. Blair had nothing to report.

Cemetery Board – Ms. Richards stated Lisa Briggs is holding a Wreaths Across America event at Welton Cemetery this winter. She and the 4H group will be putting wreaths at veteran's graves.

Historic District Architectural Review Board – Mr. Brown said a permit for a fence at Warren's Spirited Kitchen was approved by the board at their last meeting. The fence will be placed in the back east corner of the lot to hide the dumpster.

Planning Commission – Mr. Blair had nothing to report.

Tree Commission – Ms. Richards said Ms. Palmisano has been reviewing the ordinance for updates.

Chamber of Commerce – Mr. Blair said it was a successful maple syrup season for the Chamber.

Berkshire Community Planning Association – Mr. Brown had nothing to report.

Burton Historic District Association – Mr. Brown had nothing to report.

Fiscal Officers Report

Ms. Dahlhausen presented quotes for installing new windows at Village Hall and the Street Department from MGEC Construction for a total of \$3,934.81. This amount was approved by NOPEC to be reimbursed to the village for the NOPEC Energized Grant. Mr. Boehnlein moved to approve the MGEC Construction quotes in the amount of \$3,934.81, seconded by Mr. Ferroni. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Ms. Dahlhausen asked to attend the OAPT Conference this spring. The total cost of the conference and hotel stay is \$1,360.82, which requires approval from Council per the handbook. Mr. Boehnlein moved to allow Ms. Dahlhausen to attend the OAPT Conference for a cost of \$1,360.82, seconded by Mr. Blair. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Solicitors Report:

Mr. Hicks has been working with the Tree Commission on the ordinance updates. Ms. Dahlhausen reminded Ms. Richards any charges for the review are taken from the Tree Commission budget.

Engineers Report:

The Engineer there is some additional grading and seeding on Goodwin Ave due to a few complaints.

Mr. Hansel said he has noticed some significant heaving in some of the aprons on Goodwin Ave and there may be some permanent damage to them. Mr. Hess asked for a list of addresses to look at the issue.

Zoning Inspector’s Report:

Mr. Gruber provided his report and stated he approved three permits.

Invoice Approval

Mr. Boehnlein moved to pay approved invoices, seconded by Mr. Blair. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Ordinances and Resolutions

Mayor Spanos placed on second reading, Ordinance 2402-21 rezoning parcels in the Village of Burton and declaring an emergency.

Mayor Spanos placed on first reading, Ordinance 2403-21 authorizing the Fiscal Officer of the Village of Burton to dispose of surplus property by internet auction and declaring an emergency

Mayor Spanos placed on second reading, Ordinance 2404-21 voluntarily extending the Emergency Family Medical Leave Expansion Act and Emergency Paid Sick Leave Act from the Families First Coronavirus Response Act for the Village of Burton and declaring an emergency. Mr. Boehnlein moved to waive readings, seconded by Mr. Ferroni. Roll Call: Charles Boehnlein

– Yes, Caleb Ferroni – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes, Alex Hansel – Yes, Cory Brown – Yes, Bonnie Richards – Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Boehnlein moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. Ferroni. Roll Call: Charles Boehnlein – Yes, Caleb Ferroni – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes, Alex Hansel – Yes, Cory Brown – Yes, Bonnie Richards – Yes. Motion passed.

Old Business

Nothing to report.

New Business

Council discussed holding one meeting on the second Monday of the month during the months of June, July and August. Mr. Blair moved to holding one meeting on the second Monday of the month during the months of June, July and August, seconded by Ms. Richards. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Mr. Ferroni is not available to meet June 14th and Council discussed moving the meeting to the 3rd Monday of the month. Mr. Boehnlein moved to hold the June Council meeting on June 21st, seconded by Ms. Richards. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Ms. Blair stated she and Mr. Chambers has taken over the Burton Easter Egg Hunt to be held Saturday, April 3rd from 10 AM to 1 PM. They will be providing bags to the first 300 children and it will be a drive through at the fairgrounds.

Mr. Chambers brought attention to his concern about speeders on Goodwin Ave. He added that he noticed increased patrol and the speed signs were up for a while, which helped but they're noticing more speeders again. Chief Smigelski said he will request extra patrol on Goodwin Ave.

Open Public Participation

Nothing to report.

Mr. Boehnlein moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Ferroni. By voice vote, the motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor/President Pro Tem