

Burton Village Council  
27 April 2009

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

Roll Call: Sandy Humbert, Yes, Judy Beaumier, Yes, Gerald Rouge, Yes, Linda Swaney, Yes, Darren LaForce, Yes, Jeff Coleman, Yes.

Visitors: Jack Garner, Josh Echt, Jennell Dahlhausen, Todd Hicks, Richard Smigelski, Dianne Lillibridge, Chip Hess, Joe Kozial, Craig Ronyak, Joyce Blair, Ken Kleve, Brian Johnston, Donna Kleve, Jonathan Kleve, Chad Eldridge.

Police Chief's Report: Chief Smigelski

The Department reported 297 incidents in March. There were two arrests, 312 calls and 6620 miles were put on the cruisers.

Chief Smigelski reported to Council that the Village has the opportunity to purchase new digital radios under coop with the Geauga County sheriff purchase. For every 100 radio's, Motorola is offering a 5% discount in addition to buying back the old radios. New radios will cost around \$3,000 a piece.

Chief Smigelski reported that pancake season went very well this year. With the start of better weather, the police department will be stepping up enforcement of the two hour parking limit along Main Street.

Chief Smigelski pressed Council for permission to purchase a Chevy Tahoe replacement vehicle. The Tahoe would offer more options for carrying out Police duties while at the same time having a longer life span; seven years vice five. Council discussed payment options.

Mr. Coleman moved to allow for the Police Department to purchase a Chevy Tahoe on GSA contract using the Capital Equipment Fund and the General Fund, contingency line items, in total not to exceed \$26,000.00.

Ms. Humbert seconded the motion. Roll Call: Jeff Coleman – Yes, Sandy Humbert – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Gerald Rougé – Yes, Judy Beaumier – Yes, Darren LaForce – Yes. Motion passed.

Chief Smigelski noted that mobile data terminals for the cruisers were coming. The technology will allow for digital audio and video recording and provide more information to the officer responding.

Solicitor's Report:

Mr. Hicks had nothing to report.

Engineer's Report:

Mr. Hess reported that the North Cheshire project was just about ready to go out for bid, except for some number crunching concerning the depth

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of asphalt to use. Mr. Coleman explained that there were several options for thickness of asphalt; a two inch grind and fill including the parking lots, a three inch grind and fill excluding the parking lots, and variations on those themes. Mr. Coleman stated that the Council needed to give Mr. Hess permission to go out to bid as soon as possible so that the work could be completed before the fair. Mr. Rougé felt uncomfortable voting to allow the bid until he had the final plan in front of him. Council discussed. Mrs. Beaumier moved to have Council reconvene in special session on Thursday, April 30, at 6:30 PM to review the North Cheshire project and vote on the bid proposal. Ms. Humbert seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Mr. Hess reported that Berkshire Schools had paid their permit fees.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Ms. Humbert moved to adopt Resolution 2009-09, adopting a bidding procedure policy. Mr. LaForce seconded the motion. Roll Call: Sandy Humbert – No, Darren LaForce – Yes, Jeff Coleman – No, Linda Swaney – No, Gerald Rougé – No, Judy Beaumier – No. Resolution did not pass. Mr. LaForce asked Council to be more forthcoming and instead of wasting time considering a resolution they did not want, cancel it early on.

Ms. Humbert introduced Resolution 2009-10, levying a special assessment for Street Lighting, and placed it on first reading.

Ms. Humbert introduced Resolution 2009-13, requiring the Fiscal Officer to request an amended 2009 Certificate of Appropriations and Revenue from the County, and moved to waive further readings. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Roll Call: Sandy Humbert – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Gerald Rougé – Yes, Judy Beaumier – Yes, Darren LaForce – Yes.

Ms Humbert moved to adopt Resolution 2009-13. Mrs. Beaumier seconded the motion. Roll Call: Sandy Humbert – Yes, Judy Beaumier – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Gerald Rougé – Yes, Darren LaForce – Yes. Resolution 2009-13 passed.

Ms. Humbert introduced Resolution 2009-14, establishing and adopting a Red Flag Policy and identity theft prevention program, and moved to waive further readings. Mrs. Beaumier seconded the motion. Roll Call: Sandy Humbert – Yes, Judy Beaumier – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Gerald Rougé – Yes, Darren LaForce – Yes.

Mrs. Beaumier moved to adopt Resolution 2009-14. Ms. Humbert seconded the motion. Roll Call: Judy Beaumier – Yes, Sandy Humbert – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Gerald Rougé – Yes, Darren

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LaForce – Yes. Resolution 2009-14 passed.

Fiscal Officer:

Mr. Paquette requested a motion to pay all approved bills. Ms. Humbert moved to pay all approved bills. Mrs. Beaumier seconded the motion. By voice vote, motion approved.

Mr. Ronyak asked Council for an explanation as to why they did not vote for the Bidding Policy resolution. Speaking for himself, Mr. Coleman explained that the legislation was too limiting. Council briefly discussed.

Mr. Paquette asked if Council had reviewed the 13 April 2009 minutes. Mrs. Beaumier moved to adopt the 13 April minutes as written. Ms. Humbert seconded the motion. By voice vote, motion approved.

Mayors Report:

Mayor Blair commented that the beautification project for the Village flower beds was proceeding forward. Mrs. Beaumier asked if these flower beds would be a perpetual thing. Mayor Blair stated that it was the Chamber of Commerce's goal to make it an annual project.

Mrs. Beaumier asked Mayor Blair if the Chamber of Commerce had discussed purchasing new business guide maps for the boards. The Mayor stated that the question was not raised at the last meeting.

Old Business;

Mr. Rougé asked about metering all taps in the Village. Mayor Blair stated that at the RCAP training he attended, metering even unbilled water taps was considered a necessary practice in order to keep track of water usage. Council discussed. BPA is responsible for this type of work.

Mr. Johnston asked permission to address Council concerning a Village Administrator. Mr. Johnston wanted to know if Council had considered where the money for the new Salary was going to come from. Mayor Blair stated that he had not even considered that far yet. The goal of Village Administrator was to put all the employees under one roof and add efficiency. Mr. Johnston stated the BPA was proactive in finding funding sources for the wastewater treatment plant expansion and other areas. Mr. Johnston noted that the BPA only costs \$3600 per year in salary. Mr. Johnston asked for Council to have a public hearing before going forward or even putting the idea on the ballot.

New Business;

Mr. Paquette forwarded to Council a request for use of the Park Jun 13 as part of the Secret Garden Tour sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. Council briefly discussed. Ms. Humbert moved allow the Secret Garden

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Tour to use the park and Mrs. Beaumier seconded the motion. By voice vote motion passed.

The subject of the fiber optic cable run through the Village came up. Council and Mr. Hess discussed. Mr. Paquette told Mr. Hess that the engineers for the project had been told to get a permit from the Village Office. Mr. Paquette also asked if there were any way to get them to take a different route. The current proposed route would be very near to utility service lines in the Village. Repair to a damaged fiber optic cable is expensive. Mr. Paquette was asked to look into the Village deductible for insurance coverage.

Mrs. Beaumier mentioned to Council that the County Jobs and Family Services is recognizing child abuse awareness week

Mr. Paquette mentioned that the Library would like to put up some 16 x 45 banners around or near the Library on light poles. Council would like more information. Mr. Paquette will inform the library.

Ms. Humbert moved to enter executive session at 8:15 PM to discuss personal pay issues. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Roll Call: Sandy Humbert – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Gerald Rougé – Yes, Darren LaForce – Yes, Judy Beaumier – Yes. Motion carries.

Ms. Humbert moved to leave executive session at 8:35 PM. Mrs. Beaumier seconded the motion. Roll Call: Sandy Humbert – Yes, Judy Beaumier – Yes, Jeff Coleman – Yes, Linda Swaney – Yes, Gerald Rougé – Yes, Darren LaForce – Yes.

Ms. Humbert moved to adjourn and Mr. Rougé seconded the motion. By voice vote all approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM.

Mayor \_\_\_\_\_ Fiscal Officer \_\_\_\_\_