

Burton Village Council
Minutes
23 April, 2018

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Koster called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Visitors: Rick Smigelski, Pat Linn, Jack Garner, Charles Boehnlein, Jane Koroshes, Marcianne Kimpton, Tom Erickson, Joe Koziol, Paul Schwendemen, Vince Crawford, Deanne Tiber, Anne Wishart

Roll Call:

Ruth Spanos – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes, Nick Tromba – Yes, Joe Hernandez – Yes, Bonnie Richards - Yes.

Mayor Koster explained to those present that he would not be appointing anyone to fill Mr. Ronyak's open council seat tonight.

Mayor Koster asked for a motion to approve or amend the minutes of 9 April 2018. Mr. Hernandez moved to approve the minutes of 9 April 2018 as written. Mr. Blair seconded the motion. By voice vote, motion passed.

Mayor Koster asked for a motion to approve or amend the agenda for 23 April 2018. Mr. Hernandez moved to approve the agenda as amended and Mr. Blair seconded the motion. By voice vote, motion approved.

Standing Committees

Finance, Funding and Personnel Committee- Mr. Tromba and Ms. Spanos had nothing to report.

Safety Committee –

Chief Smigelski made the March Police Report. There were 64 calls, 10 traffic stops and 4 arrests made. There were 2920 miles put on the patrol cars. Chief Smigelski provided Council with a letter from someone asking to conduct a 5k run on October 14 just before the Apple Butter festival. The Mayor asked Council if they would allow the Chief to coordinate the event for the Village. Chief Smigelski mentioned to Council that they could attend a seminar covering roles of first responders for newly elected officials. The meeting will be on 25 April 2018 at 6 PM at Geauga County Emergency Services building on Merritt Road.

The Burton Volunteer Fire Department was not available to report.

Street Committee – Mr. Blair and Ms. Richards mentioned that they will be meeting with Chief Smigelski about street repairs and deferred to Chief Smigelski for his report.

Chief Smigelski reported that the Street Department is finalizing candidates for the open Street Department position. Point repairs at sites throughout the Village are being planned. There will be a Capital Improvement planning meeting in the near future. Spring Cleanup is on the schedule for May 12.

Chief Smigelski updated Council about the water main break on West Center. The old section of pipe that is scheduled to be abandoned at the end of the week developed a leak that had to be patched. The leak caused a loss of pressure in water lines on West Center between Rapids and Garden. A boil alert has been issued and the repair has been completed. Water is restored and the boil alert will be lifted after 24 hours. Mayor Koster asked Chief Smigelski to explain to Council about moving an auxiliary officer to part time status. Officer Jennifer Holt will be joining the department as a part time officer after Officer Lanese went back to Auxiliary status. The utilizes Auxiliary officers in an unpaid status that allows those officers to maintain their police accreditation until they have regular paid police job.

Council Reports on Independent Boards and Commissions

Board of Public Affairs- Mr. Hernandez. Mr. Hernandez reported that the West Center Street water line project is almost complete. The Wastewater Treatment plant project is moving ahead.

Board of Zoning Appeals – Mr. Blair reported that the Board of Zoning Appeals has not met recently but a meeting is scheduled for 26 April.

Cemetery Board – Ms. Richards reported that she was unable to attend the last Cemetery Board meeting on 18 April. Mrs. Kimpton stated that there was nothing to report from that meeting.

Historic District Review Board – Ms. Spanos reported that the Hornak's Diversified Management Group was approved for its choice of siding and roofing on the Burton Fox Inn.

Planning Commission – Mr. Hernandez reported that the Planning Commission hasn't met except as part of the Strategic Planning Committee. The Strategic Planning Committee met on 19 Apr and worked on the Strategic Plan for the Village. Mr. Hernandez stated that the Strategic Planning Committee would be meeting with public in the next few months.

Tree Commission – Ms. Richards had nothing to report. The Arborist has supplied Council with a summary of her work for the month.

Berkshire Community Planning Association – not available to report.

Geauga County Fair Board – Mr. Tromba had nothing to report.

Century Village – Ms. Spanos reported that a Trunk Sale event is scheduled for May 26 and the Maple Museum opens on June 23.

Chamber of Commerce – Mr. Blair reported that Maple cleanup is going on. Maple season was better than average. The thankyou dinner for volunteers was earlier in April.

Burton Historic District – Ms. Spanos had nothing to report.

Burton Fire Department – Mayor Koster reported that he had spoken to Ken Burnett of Burton Township and they were working to schedule a meeting of with the help of Sean Thompson.

Berkshire Board of Education – Mr. Tromba and Ms. Richards reported that they had not yet been able to attend a meeting because of the conflicting schedule. Council noted the press conference held by the School district acknowledging the donation by Great Lakes Cheese (and its founding family) towards the athletics facility of the new school. Ms. Richards asked Mayor Koster if the Village and the Township were meeting to work on the logistics of a school outside the Village. Mr. Koster explained the process related to passing the levy and the fact that the school had to pass the levy first before being able to plan and design the school. If the levy isn't passed Berkshire schools would no longer be first in line for state funding. In answer to Ms. Richards question, no the Village was not meeting yet with Burton Township on this issue.

Fiscal Officers Report:

Mr. Paquette asked if Council had any questions about the Council Summary of Revenue and Expenses. There were none.

Mr. Paquette pointed out that Council had a second copy of the Resolution 2018-06 to highlight the fact that it was indeed a renewal and not a replacement.

Mayor Koster asked for a motion to accept and pay approved invoices. Mr. Hernandez moved to pay approved invoices and Mr. Tromba seconded the motion. Roll Call: Joe Hernandez – Yes, Nick Tromba – Yes, Bonnie Richards – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes, Ruth Spanos – Yes. Motion approved.

Ordinances and Resolutions

Mr. Paquette placed Ordinance 2336-18, authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Debbie Palmisano, doing business as Greenwoman LLC, for professional services commencing May 1, 2018 and ending April 30, 2018. Placed on second reading. Mr. Tromba moved to

waive further readings and Mr. Hernandez seconded the motion. Roll Call: Nick Tromba – Yes, Joe Hernandez – Yes, Ruth Spanos – Yes, Bonnie Richards – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Tromba moved to adopt Ordinance 2336-18. Ms. Richards seconded the motion. Roll Call: Nick Tromba – Yes, Bonnie Richards – Yes, Joe Hernandez – Yes, Ruth Spanos – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes. Ordinance 2336-18 is adopted.

Mr. Paquette placed Resolution 2018-06, requesting the County Auditor to certify to the Taxing Authority the total valuation of the subdivision and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by a specified number of mills and declaring an emergency. Placed on second reading.

Mr. Paquette placed Resolution 2018-07, authorizing and directing the Fiscal Officer prepare bid specifications and submit for public bid an exclusive contract for residential and municipal waste hauling, disposal and recycling services or alternatives for Village Residents and declaring an emergency, on final reading.

Mr. Tromba moved to adopt Resolution 2018-07 and Mr. Hernandez seconded the motion. Roll Call: Nick Tromba – Yes, Joe Hernandez – Yes, Ruth Spanos – Yes, Bonnie Richards – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes. Resolution 2018-07 is adopted.

Mayors Report

Mayor Koster had nothing further to add.

Old Business

No old business was brought before Council.

New Business

No new business was brought before Council

Open Public Participation

Mayor Koster recognized Mr. Vince Crawford of Wastemanagement. Mr. Crawford discussed the Village Spring Cleanup of 12 May 2018. Mr. Crawford reiterated that they would not pickup tires, paint, yard waste or batteries. Trucks will be in the Village starting at 6:30 AM. Mr. Crawford noted that Wastemanagement was recognized as one of the top employers for veterans. Wastemanagement is switching its vehicle to natural gas.

Chardon is having a Public Hearing about single hauler collection also.

Mayor Koster recognized Mr. Paul Schwendemen of East Center. Mr. Schwendemen asked to have Council look into getting his neighbor's

water shut off valve out of his driveway. Mayor Koster indicated that the new water operator will be notified.

Mr. Hernandez moved to adjourn and Mr. Blair seconded the motion. Roll Call: Joe Hernandez – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes, Bonnie Richards – Yes, Nick Tromba – Yes, Ruth Spanos – Yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor