

Joint Burton Village Council and Board of Public Affairs
Minutes
November 28, 2022

Visitors: Christina Piotrowski, Jennell Dahlhausen, Ann Wishart, Rick Gruber, Joe Hernadaz, Teresa Phillips, Jack Garner, Charles Tiber, Bill Pinkava, Kevin Freeman.

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

Roll Call:

Council	Charles Boehnlein-yes	Tom Blair-yes	Cory Brown-yes
	Bonnie Richards-yes	Alex Hansel-yes	Caleb Ferroni-yes
BPA	Curt Johnson-yes	Nick Rundo-yes	

Interview and Appoint an Applicant to the BPA Open Seat

Mayor Spanos mentioned that there was only one applicant for the open seat of Board of Public Affairs. Mayor Spanos appointed William Pinkava to the open seat for Board of Public Affairs.

Mr. Boehnlein made a motion to appoint William Pinkava to the Board of Public Affairs to fulfill the remaining term, seconded by Mr. Brown. By voice vote, motion passed.

Mayor Spanos swore in William Pinkava at 7:03PM.

Minutes Approval:

Mr. Boehnlein made a motion to approve the amended the minutes of November 14, 2022, seconded by Mr. Ferroni. By voice vote, motion passed.

Mayors Report

Nothing to report.

Standing Committees

Finance, Funding and Personnel Committee-Mr. Ferroni mentioned police officer Jamie Barna is requesting paternity leave for a period of 3(120hrs) -5(200hrs) weeks around February 15, 2023.Mr. Ferroni made a motion to approve the request of paternity leave for Officer Barna, seconded by Mr. Boehnlein. By voice vote, motion passed.

Safety Committee – Nothing to report

Police Report – Nothing to report

Fire Report – Nothing to report

Street Committee – Nothing to report.

Street Commissioners Report – Nothing to report

Council Reports on Village Boards and Commissions

Board of Public Affairs-Ms. Richards informed Council that Board of Public Affairs discussed the new tie in on East Center Street, meter pits by Fat Daddy's, increase in water/sewer rates, and Adam Millers resignation letter.

Board of Zoning Appeals – Blair-Nothing to report.

Cemetery Board – Ms. Richards informed Council that the Cemetery Board went over 2023 budget, increase monument foundation, urns do not have to replace just repainted, and Wreaths across America at the Welton Cemetery on December 17, 2022 at 12pm.

Historic District Review Board -Nothing to report.

Planning Commission –Nothing to report.

Tree Commission – Mr. Ferroni informed Council that Ms. Palmisano report was submitted to Council and nothing has changed.

Council Reports on Independent Boards and Commissions

BCPA –Nothing to report.

Chamber of Commerce – Mr. Blair mentioned that the Christmas decorations are up for the holidays and the parade was a success.

Burton Historic District –Nothing to report.

JEDD Board – Mr. Brown mentioned at the JEDD meeting they approved the bylaws and set next year schedule.

Fiscal Officers Report

Nothing to report.

Solicitors Report

Nothing to report.

Engineers Report

Not available to report.

Zoning Inspectors Report

Mr. Gruber mentioned that there were two zoning permits submitted. One permit was for accessory building for Garden Street and a temporary sign permit.

Invoice Approval:

Mr. Brown made a motion to accept and pay approved invoices, seconded by Mr. Blair. By voice vote, motion passed.

Ordinances and Resolutions Council

Mayor Spanos placed second reading Ordinance 2436-22 authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Hess and Associates Engineering, Inc. for professional services commencing March 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2024.

Mayor Spanos placed second reading Ordinance 2437-22 amending section 302 (a) and 303 (a) of the Board of Public Affairs Rules and Regulations for the Village of Burton and section 925.02 (a) of the Village of Burton Codified Ordinance so as to amend the sewer rates.

Mayor Spanos placed on first reading Ordinance 2438-22 approving the authority of the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation to apply, maintain and repair standard longitudinal pavement markings and erect regulatory and warning signs on state highways inside the village corporate limits, to remove snow and ice and use snow and ice control material on state highways inside the village corporate limits, and to perform maintenance and/or repair on state highways inside the village corporation, and declaring an emergency. Mr. Boehnlein made a motion to waive further readings, seconded by Mr. Hansel. Roll Call: Charles Boehnlein – yes, Alex Hansel – yes, Tom Blair – yes, Cory Brown – yes, Bonnie Richards – yes, Caleb Ferroni – yes. Motion passed.

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

Resolutions BPA

Mr. Rundo placed second reading Resolution 2022-31 amending sections 201 & 202 of the Rules and Regulations of the Village of Burton Board of Public Affairs.

Old Business

Vinecourt Landscaping Quote for Sidewalk/Manhole/Apron Repairs \$4,195.00.

Mr. Rundo explained to Council that Vinecourt Landscaping will be doing a sewer tie in and the Board of Public Affairs would like to fix the sidewalk, manhole, and apron since it was done incorrectly in the past. Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve Vinecourt Landscaping bid for \$4,195.00, seconded by Mr. Rundo. Roll Call: Curt Johnson – yes, Nick Rundo – yes, Bill Pinkava – yes. Motion passed.

New Business

Mr. Poulson Request to Transfer Sick Time-Mr. Boehnlein made a motion to approve Mr. Poulson's request to transfer sick time to Village of Burton for 338.86 hours, seconded by Ms. Richards. By voice vote, motion passed.

Sign Board Request-Mayor Spanos informed Council there has been an outsider that would like to put up a sign in the Burton circle for an event that is happening in the Village of Middlefield. Ms. Dahlhuasen mentioned the outsider would want to hang up a sign during the springtime and that is usually full of events happening in the Village of Burton. Mayor Spanos confirmed that the sign permit use should only be events for the Village of Burton.

Website Design Contract- Ms. Piotrowski informed Council this website design will be similar to Geauga County website and will user friendly to our village residents. Ms. Piotrowski informed Council there may be 40 pages/tabs, but Ms. Piotrowski would like to condense the website to have less than 40 pages. Ms. Dahlhausen mentioned the Village of Burton has budgeted \$12,000.00 for redesigning the website for 2023. Mr. Boehnlein made a motion to approve the website design contract and not have it exceed passed \$12,000.00, seconded by Ms. Richards. By voice vote, motion passed.

Public Participation

Mr. Hernandez has concerns about the 9% increase in water and sewer rates beginning of January 2023. Mr. Hernandez is requesting an itemized list of what the 9% increase would be spent on for the village. Mr. Rundo clarified to Mr. Hernandez that inflation is going up and the expenses for the Waste Water Treatment Plant and Water Plant keep rising in cost. Mr. Rundo made it clear that every year Council and BPA review the water and sewer rates and are increased 3% each year.

Ms. Phillips has concerns about the increase of the water/sewer rates and would like an explanation on why the Village of Burton is one of the highest water/sewer rate in the state.

Ms. Dahlhausen clarified that there are raises for the employees every two years with a 2.50% increase and the village does give the employees 100% full coverage on insurance, which is a benefit to the Village of Burton employees.

Adjourn

Mr. Hansel made a motion to adjourn at 7:39 PM, seconded by Mr Brown. By voice vote, motion passed.

Mr. Rundo made a motion to adjourn at 7:39 PM, seconded by Mr. Johnson. By voice vote, motion passed

Deputy Administrative Assistant

Mayor/President Pro Tem