

Burton Village Council Meeting
Minutes
May 13, 2024

Mayor Spanos called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Visitors: Jennell Dahlhausen, Ann Wishart, Jake Neill.

Roll Call:

Council: Nick Tromba – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes, Bonnie Richards – No, Cory Brown – Yes, Charles Boehnlein – Yes, Craig Martin – Yes

Mr. Boehnlein noticed a correction under the Engineers Report to change the name Hicks to Hess. Mr. Boehnlein moved to approve the minutes of April 22, 2024 as amended, seconded by Mr. Tromba. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Mayors Report

Mayor Spanos stated Mr. O'Brien will be attending the next meeting in hopes of being appointed to the Planning Commission. Ms. Bomback submitted her resignation to the Planning Commission as of April 24th and recommended the Planning Commission discuss changing the zoning of the commercial properties that are being used as residential due to issues with loans if rebuilding is needed.

Mr. Boehnlein moved to accept Ms. Bomback's resignation, seconded by Mr. Brown. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Fiscal Officers Report

Ms. Dahlhausen scheduled a Public Hearing for the 2025 Tax Budget for the June 10th meeting at 7 PM.

Ms. Dahlhausen said the Geauga Maple Leaf would like to know if Council would like to advertise a 1/16th ad in the Holidays in Geauga magazine again this year. We can receive a discount if approved now. Mr. Boehnlein moved to advertise the 1/16th ad in the Holidays in Geauga magazine, seconded by Mr. Tromba. By voice vote, the motion passed.

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

Ordinances and Resolutions

Mayor Spanos placed on third reading Resolution 2024-08 designating Jennell Dahlhausen to attend mandated Ohio House Bill 9 Public Records Training for elected Council Members and the Mayor as their representative and declaring an emergency. Mr. Boehnlein moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. Blair. Roll Call: Charles Boehnlein – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes, Craig Martin – Yes, Cory Brown – Yes, Nick Tromba – Yes. Motion passed.

Mayor Spanos placed on first reading Resolution 2024-13 requesting the County Auditor to certify to the taxing authority the total tax valuation of the subdivision and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by a specified number of mills for a 2.25 mill Fire Levy and declaring an emergency. Mr. Boehnlein moved to waive readings, seconded by Mr. Blair. Roll Call: Charles Boehnlein – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes, Craig Martin – Yes, Cory Brown – Yes, Nick Tromba– Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Boehnlein moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. Blair. Roll Call: Charles Boehnlein – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes, Craig Martin – Yes, Cory Brown – Yes, Nick Tromba– Yes. Motion passed.

Mayor Spanos placed on first reading Resolution 2024-14 adopting revisions to the Village of Burton Employee Handbook for pay procedures and declaring an emergency. Mr. Boehnlein moved to waive readings, seconded by Mr. Blair. Roll Call: Charles Boehnlein – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes, Craig Martin – Yes, Cory Brown – Yes, Nick Tromba– Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Neill stated this resolution was brought about due to his employees timesheet. He stated he was contacted by his supervisor concerning the matter of his employee requesting to be paid vacation time that would have exceeded the 40 hour week. The time was planned and the employee reported to work later that week when there were issues at the plant due to a storm.

Mr. Neill stated he doesn't agree with not paying the vacation time out since he feels it is difficult to take vacation time with the duties required at the facilities. He expressed his dissatisfaction with the Personnel Committee trying to push the legislation through and make changes, and feels they should consider a payout option. Mr. Tromba stated there is no change to the handbook and that the legislation is strictly clarifying past payroll practice of only paying a 40 hour week.

Mr. Neill stated his employee is going through the grievance process to have his time paid and stated he feels Council should consider assisting in satisfying the employees request to retain their staff.

Mr. Blair moved to table Resolution 2024-14, seconded by Mr. Martin. Roll Call: Tom Blair – Yes, Craig Martin – Yes, Charles Boehnlein – Yes, Cory Brown – Yes, Nick Tromba– Yes. Motion passed.

Mayor Spanos placed on first reading Ordinance 2470-24 enacting new Chapter 731 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Burton to provide regulations for food trucks and declaring an emergency.

Mayor Spanos placed on first reading Ordinance 2471-24 adopting the Tax Budget for Fiscal Year 2025 and declaring an emergency.

Old Business

Nothing to report.

New Business

Mr. Smigelski requested that Council hire Southwest Sweeping for street sweeping in the village this year. The quote totals \$1,421.25 but may be a little more depending on what they run into.

Mr. Neill recommended Dolhaney, who rents out the equipment. Mr. Smigelski will look into it for the future but requested Council approve the quote due to timing with trying to get this work completed for Memorial Day. Mr. Martin stated that he would like to see an extended yearly contract with Southwest Sweeping to lock in a price.

Mr. Boehnlein moved to approve the Southwest Sweeping quote for street sweeping not to exceed \$2,000.00, seconded by Mr. Martin. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Public Participation

Nothing to report.

Mr. Boehnlein moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Tromba. By voice vote the motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor/Council President