

Burton Village Council Meeting
Minutes
September 8, 2025

Mayor Spanos called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Visitors: Jennell Dahlhausen, Rick Smigelski, Jack Garner, John Pfluger, John Hiscox, Amy Grossman, Gloria Fairnacci, George Kasbek, Jill Vinecourt, Linda Taurisano.

Roll Call:

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

Mr. Boehnlein moved to approve the minutes of August 11, 2025, seconded by Mr. Blair. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Mayors Report

Mayor Spanos thanked the Police and Street Departments for their assistance in making sure traffic flowed efficiently during the fair.

Historic District Permits

The Board reviewed a permit for windows at 13897 Kirtland Street. The resident replaced half the windows from double hung to casement a few years ago and are replacing the rest of the windows next month. Mr. Boehnlein moved to approve the window replacement at 13897 Kirtland Street, seconded by Mr. Brown. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Fiscal Officers Report

Ms. Dahlhausen stated they received a request for donations for the Fall Festival in the park from the Chamber of Commerce but they didn't request any specific amount. The donation will assist with the costs of providing entertainment and traffic control during the event. Mr. Brown moved to donate \$250 to the Chamber of Commerce for the Fall Festival, seconded by Mr. Boehnlein. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Ms. Dahlhausen stated a water, sewer and trash account was received a final bill when the resident moved with a credit and they have requested reimbursement. The trash portion of the credit is \$9.63 to come from the A01 General Fund. Mr. Brown moved to approve the reimbursement of the \$9.63 credit, seconded by Mr. Boehnlein. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Invoice Approval

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

Ordinances and Resolutions

Mayor Spanos placed on first reading Resolution 2025-17 accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor.

Mayor Spanos placed on first reading Resolution 2025-18 declaring the official intent and reasonable expectation of the Village of Burton on behalf of the State of Ohio (the borrower) to reimburse its Street Capitalization Fund for the Garden Street Improvement Project CG72AC with the proceeds of the tax exempt debt of the State of Ohio.

Old Business

Ms. Vinecourt attended the meeting to discuss any questions or concerns Council or Huff residents may have with the Pumpkin Roll on Huff Ave. They plan to hold the event at the very bottom of the hill. The pumpkins will start at about 350 feet from the end of the road, which allows for a 40 foot drop. This event is limited to kids and they will have barriers to stop the pumpkins from rolling onto the state route. They will also have a clean up crew that will use a large spray tank full of water to spray off the road after the event. Mr. Boehnlein moved to allow the Century Village to utilize the end of Huff Ave for the pumpkin roll during the Apple Butter Festival, seconded by Mr. Brown. By voice vote, the motion passed.

New Business

Ronyak Paving has submitted a pay request in the amount of \$312,250.65 for paving the parking areas and triangles around the park. They have a few items that still need addressed so it was suggested that we withhold 8% for retainage as we did with Geauga Highway for their paving projects. Mr. Boehnlein moved to pay Ronyak 92% of their total bill for the parking lot paving projects at \$287,270.60, seconded by Mr. Brown. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Ms. Dahlhausen stated that Ms. Matheney has recommended Council and BPA both approve a motion to ratify the payment of any bill that needs to be paid to avoid a late fee and because the timing of meetings didn't allow for Council or the BPA to approve in time. This will allow us to avoid penalties and possible disconnection of service if a regular bill is unpaid due to a board not meeting in a timely manner. Mr. Boehnlein moved to ratify the payment of any bill that needs to be paid to avoid a late fee because the timing of meetings didn't allow for Council or the BPA to approve in time, seconded by Mr. Brown. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Halloween trick-or-treating hours in the past have been held from 6 to 7:30PM. This year Halloween falls on a Friday but there is no varsity football game scheduled at this time. Mr. Boehnlein moved to hold trick-or-treating hours from 6 to 7:30PM on Friday, October 31st, seconded by Mr. Brown. By voice vote, the motion passed.

The Tuesday Club is celebrating their 130th anniversary and would like to post a sign in the park next to the tree that was planted in honor of their club. Mr. Boehnlein moved to allow the Tuesday Club to post a sign by the tree in the village park that was planted in honor of their organization from September 27th to October 13th, seconded by Mr. Blair. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Ms. Dahlhausen is not available to clerk the meeting on October 27th so Council moved the meeting to October 23rd at 7PM.

Public Participation

Mr. Pflueger would like something done about the traffic on the curve on South Cheshire Street. He feels people speed around the corner and there is a blind spot. He has almost been hit by a car several times when trying to get his mail and he is concerned about his kids getting on and off the bus. Ms. Grossman said she lives on the other side of the curve and has the same concern.

Chief Smigelski said he will move the traffic study signs to this area to try to get numbers on speed and traffic flow, as well as hopefully getting some of the traffic to slow down. Ms. Grossman suggested new signage to inform traffic there is a bus stop at this location now as well.

Mr. Hiscox stated he would like the village to begin spraying for mosquitos again. They were horrible this summer and he would like this looked into for next year. Ms. Vinecourt explained that some chemicals actually kill other insects that it isn't intended to so its important to make sure the correct chemicals are used. She added that it wont reach the back yards, which is the important area if the are having issues on their property so they would need to contact someone themselves. It was also added that chemical prices have tripled in price over the last few years.

Mr. Hiscox recommended going onto residents properties to spray if they request and putting some kind of spraying program in place so we can enjoy the park again too. Mayor Spanos said she is not sure we want go on private property if this is done so that may be something the homeowner would have to schedule with a company they choose to hire.

Mr. Boehnlein moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Brown. By voice vote the motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor/Council President