

Burton Village Council Meeting
Minutes
January 26, 2026

Mayor Spanos called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Visitors: Christopher Paquette, Rick Smigelski, Charles Tiber, Curt Johnson, John Benedict, Jack Garner, Ann Wishart, Chris Elko.

Roll Call:

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

Mr. Boehnlein moved to approve the minutes of January 12, 2026, seconded by Mr. Tromba. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Mayor Spanos introduced Mr. Charles Tiber as the nominee for the vacant Board of Public Affairs position and asked Council to appoint. Mr. Boehnlein moved to appoint Mr. Tiber as a Board Member to Board of Public Affairs. Mr. Freeman seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion passed

Mayors Report

Mayor Spanos thanked the Steet Department for their efforts in snow removal during the last storm.

Mayor Spanos asked Council to consider the sign permit at 14499 North Cheshire Street. Mr. Boehnlein moved to accept the permit as stated, seconded by Mr. Tromba. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Standing Committees

Finance, Funding and Personnel Committee; Council has received a memo discussing a revised overtime policy. Ordinance 2512-26 covers these revisions and is scheduled for first reading at this meeting.

Safety Committee; no report.

Police – Chief Smigelski stated that his email report is coming. Most activity has centered around parking enforcement and snow ploy permits. The new Tahoe Police cruiser is in and being outfitted. Chief Smigelski asked Council to approve purchase of the upfit from Hall Public Safety for \$20,882.30. Mr. Boehnlein so moved and Mr. Tromba seconded the motion. By voice vote the motion passed.

Fire – No report

Street Committee; no report.

Street Commissioners Report; Chief Smigelski reported that the Village has 160 tons of road salt and that currently appears to be sufficient. A grant was received to cover the cost of replacing the trash receptacles in the Cemetery. Chief Smigelski asked if Council would approve Ryerson Tree to take the leaf mulch stocked on Village property. Mr. Boehnlein moved to accept the proposal and Mrs. Williams seconded the motion. By voice vote the motion passed.

Council Reports on Village Boards and Commissions

BPA – Mr. Freeman mentioned that BPA was discussing tap in fee rates. Mayor Spanos noted that further discussion is part of old business late in the meeting.

BZA- No report

Cemetery Board – No report

Planning Commission – No report

Tree Commission - No report

Council Report on Independent Boards and Commissions

BCPA - No report

Chamber of Commerce – Mr. Blair noted the new roof on the Log Cabin. Chamber on February 5.

Burton Historic District – No report.

JEDD – Next meeting is April 23.

Fiscal Officers Report

Mr. Paquette is filling in for Ms. Dahlhausen. Nothing to report at this time.

Solicitors Report – Nothing to report.

Engineers Report – Garden Street will be completed by June. Ronyak Paving is holding the price quoted for Chip and Seal of the Welton Cemetery road through 2026.

Zoning Inspectors Report – Mr. Crea was not available but sent a report which Mayor Spanos relayed to Council. 14499 North Cheshire St. is seeking historic district approval for new signs. 13600 W Center St Suite 201 (Car Star) - zoning permit approved after BZA approved the signs. They are working with the building department for a permit which will require inspections. A resident has expressed interest in a garage addition - nothing further than common questions. Lot consolidation - nothing further than initial questions

Invoice Approval

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

Ordinances and Resolutions

Mayor Spanos placed on first reading Ordinance 2511-26, authorizing all actions necessary to accept the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC) 2026 Sponsorship Grant. Mr. Boehnlein moved to waive further readings, seconded by Ms. Williams. Roll Call: Charles Boehnlein – Yes, Megan Williams – Yes, Tom Blair – Yes, Cory Brown – Yes, Nick Tromba– Yes. Motion passed.

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

Mayor Spanos placed on first reading Ordinance 2512-26 authorizing the Fiscal Officer and Village Solicitor to amend the Personnel Handbook to eliminate the Village's Compensatory Time Off policy and to make associated revisions and declaring an emergency.

Old Business

Mayor Spanos opened a discussion about a 4% increase to Sewer Tap In Fees. Mr. Johnson, BPA member, related that a 4% increase in the fee was necessary to keep up with the cost of maintaining sewer lines and the cost of the new treatment plant. Lines cost over \$200 a linear foot. Council will take it under consideration. RCAP has provided a formula to calculate the proposed increase.

New Business

Mayor Spanos stated that Council will hold a Special Meeting on February 3 to further discuss the proposed changes to the Overtime policy of the Village.

Public Participation

None

Mr. Boehnlein moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Tromba. By voice vote the motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor/Council President