

City of Birchwood Village
September 1, 2009 Special Meeting
and Adoption of Preliminary Levy

Mayor Wingfield called to order the September 1, 2009 meeting of the Birchwood Council to adopt the 2010 Preliminary Levy. Council members, Harper, Carson, Brunner and Jann present. City Clerk Gaustad, Engineer Elfering present.

1. Authorize Engineer to seek bids for the final inspection of the sewer rehab project.

Jann thought the final televising inspection of the sewer rehab project is good protection of a \$306,000 infrastructure investment.

Brunner noted to either do nothing or complete the final inspection.

MOTION by Harper, seconded by Jann to request the Engineer to solicit bids to televise the City sewer lines and submit bids to Council when received.
Harper – Aye, Jann – Aye, Carson – Aye, Brunner – Aye, Mayor Wingfield – Nay.
Motion carried.

2. The 2010 Preliminary Levy Consideration.

Budget Chair Larry Walker of 420 East County Line Road presented a draft levy and budget for 2010. He recognized that the Council will not complete any of the possible negotiations in time for the September 15, levy submission. Since following that submission, Birchwood can only reduce the levy amount, it is necessary to submit a more conservative version of the levy/budget, authorized the appropriate negotiation, and then reach a final levy in December. It is possible that negotiations will extend beyond this budget year. The original draft budget at \$262,950. Can still be used as the multi-year reduction target.

Mr. Walker referred to Birchwood 2010 Budget September 15 Target Draft – v1.

Mr. Walker discussed the Birchwood Levy Budget Handbook August 2009 and recommended it be used in the budget planning in future years.

Jann left the meeting at 9:30 pm.

MOTION by Brunner, seconded by Harper to continue the 2010 Preliminary Levy Adoption hearing to Tuesday, September 8, 2009 – 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. Motion carried.

MOTION by Brunner, seconded by Carson to adjourn at 9:35 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ry-Chel Gaustad, CMC
City Clerk