

GROVE CITY, OHIO COUNCIL
MINUTES

January 06, 1992

Organizational & Regular Meeting

1. The City Council organizational meeting was called to order by Bill Buckley at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 4035 Broadway.
2. After a moment of silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance, the roll was called and the following members were present:

Brian Buzby
John Mountain

Charles Cotton
William Buckley

William Ferguson

3. Mr. Buckley opened the nominations for President of Council
4. Mr. Cotton nominated Brian Buzby for President of Council; seconded by John Mountain.

There being no other nominations for President of Council, roll was called.

Mr. Buckley	Yes
Mr. Cotton	Yes
Mr. Buzby	Yes
Mr. Mountain	Yes
Mr. Ferguson	Yes

5. President Buzby took the Chair and opened nominations for Clerk of Council.

President Buzby nominated Tami Kelly for Clerk of Council; seconded by Mr. Mountain. There being no other nominations, roll was called.

Mr. Buzby	Yes
Mr. Mountain	Yes
Mr. Ferguson	Yes
Mr. Buckley	Yes
Mr. Cotton	Yes

President Buzby administered the Oath of Office to Mrs. Kelly.

6. President Buzby announced the seating of Council to be from his right to his left:

Mr. Buckley, Mr. Cotton, President Buzby, Mr. Mountain & Mr. Ferguson.

7. President Buzby announced the Chairmanship of Committees of Council to be:

Lands & Zoning: Mr. Cotton	Public Safety: Mr. Buckley
Public Service: Mr. Mountain	Finance: President Buzby

8. President Buzby called for a motion to dispense the reading of the minutes and approve as written; Mr. Buckley made the motion; seconded by Mr. Mountain.

Mr. Mountain	Yes
Mr. Ferguson	Yes
Mr. Buckley	Yes
Mr. Cotton	Yes
Mr. Buzby	Yes

9. Council recessed to committees for discussion of the legislative agenda items.

10. Council reconvened.

11. Ordinance C-2-92 (amend Sec. 1305.011 entitled "Contractor's License") was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held January 20, 1992.

12. Ordinance C-1-92 (amend Sec. 939.08(b) entitled "Sewer Connections; Permit Required; Inspections: Fees") was given its first reading and Mr. Mountain moved that the Rules of Council be suspended and the waiting period waived; seconded by Mr. Buckley.

Mr. Ferguson	Yes
Mr. Buckley	Yes
Mr. Cotton	Yes
Mr. Buzby	Yes
Mr. Mountain	Yes

13. Mr. Mountain moved that Ordinance C-1-92 be approved as an emergency; seconded by Mr. Buckley.

Mr. Buckley	Yes
Mr. Cotton	Yes
Mr. Buzby	Yes
Mr. Mountain	Yes
Mr. Ferguson	Yes

14. President Buzby asked that any New Business to be brought before Council be done so at this time.

15. *Mr. Dan Weber* addressed Council concerning his parents property located on Grove City Road. He indicated that Demorest Road dead-ends into this property and the City of Grove City shows a proposed extension of Demorest Road through this property. Mr. Weber stated that he had discussed this with Administration but to no avail. His parents are trying to sell this property and due to the uncertainty of this extension, he was unable to obtain a buyer until September of 1991 contingent upon what happens to this road. Mr. Weber asked that some type of date be given as to when this extension would begin or if it will begin.

Mr. Boso stated that he spoke with the proposed buyer and the buyer was requesting A-1 zoning. Mr. Boso indicated that he advised this particular buyer that with a private development, it is certainly not uncommon that the developer put in public streets. Mr. Weber asked if the road

extension was not in the best interest of the developer, why would he be forced into paying for it? Mr. Boso said that the question remained "Is it in the developer's best interest?" and in his opinion it would be, however that would have to be discussed. Mr. Weber asked when a date could be set since the contract was getting ready to run out. Mr. Boso indicated that there wasn't anyone in the room that could give him such a date since the road construction depends on the sale and development of the particular piece of property.

President Buzby requested that Mr. Weber stay in touch with Mr. Boso and if he had any questions regarding Council, Mr. Cotton was the chairman of the Lands & Zoning Committee. He further indicated that since the property is not in the City, Council is limited in what they can do.

16. *Mr. Constantine Ungerine*, representing Johnson Disposal Corporation, wanted to know what the City's intentions were as far as putting the residential refuse collection up for bid.

President Buzby indicated that at our last meeting the contract was extended with our current hauler. Mr. Ungerine asked why this was done without a competitive bid. President Buzby indicated that our Law Director found that this could legally be done and we have been investigating this renewal for several months and voted at the last meeting to do so. If Mr. Ungerine required specifics, President Buzby stated that he should get in contact with our Law Director and Mr. Boso.

17. *Mr. Harold Deweese*, stated that he had been reviewing the Budget for 1992 and it appears that approximately \$3.8 million remains and he feels that this is more than an ample cushion and proposed that \$300,000 be used to help the citizens of Grove City by providing them with free trash pick-up. *Mayor Stage* explained that the numbers Mr. Deweese was using was the Gross Total of all the City's accounts and that the City runs on the figures in the General Fund alone and those figures don't come anywhere close to supporting such a proposal. Mayor Stage said that he realized that all the figures together looks like it would be possible however, many of those accounts are encumbered and the revenue is distributed back to certain accounts. *Mr. Boso* elaborated by stating that under Ohio Law certain funds generate certain revenue, for example - money generated for the water fund cannot be spent to pay the police, we cannot take money out of the Bond Retirement Fund and put in the General Fund for general purposes. Although those numbers you have spoken of are correct, the availability to do what you want to do are not there by statute. Mayor Stage did make note that a portion of the carry-over from last year was passed along to the citizens by a reduction in property tax beginning now. *President Buzby* informed Mr. Deweese that the recycling program for Grove City is being developed with Larry's Trucking, primarily through Mr. Blackburn and many such decisions must be made regarding the cost, funding and so forth and if there is any extra money available his proposal would certainly be considered.

Mr. Ungerine again addressed Council stating that there seems to be some concern about the trash rates and questioned why there was nothing put out for bid. Mr. Boso responded by stating that they looked at other communities and what type of service, reliability and rates they were receiving from their hauler and were we in that ball park? At the conclusion, we felt that our rates were competitive, especially with the level of service we were receiving.

18. *Mr. Scott McComb*, representing the Chamber of Commerce, gave his report. He indicated that the Quarterly Luncheon will be held February 19, 1992 and the Annual Dinner will be held January 18, 1992 as well as other Chamber happenings.

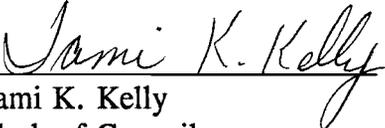
19. There being no additional new business, President Buzby asked for the Mayor's Report.
20. Mayor Stage gave the monthly financial report and Mr. Buzby moved to approve it; seconded by Mr. Buckley.

Mr. Cotton	Yes
Mr. Buzby	Yes
Mr. Mountain	Yes
Mr. Ferguson	Yes
Mr. Buckley	Yes

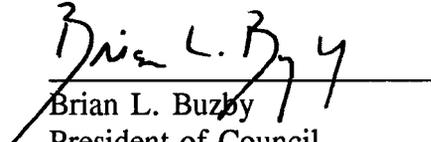
21. Mayor Stage closed by thanking Twigs for once again decorating our City buildings so beautifully for the Christmas Celebration. He commended our fire department and police department on their efforts during the weekend at Red Roof Inn. He indicated that it was unfortunate that there was a loss of life, but it could have been much worse. He also wanted to recognize Don Breckenridge, City Prosecutor, who was attending the meeting.
22. Mr. Babbert, Director of Parks & Rec., announced that the Winter Brochure was distributed to the homes in Grove City today and that page 10 & 11 featured several of our Senior Programs for all the Senior Citizens in the community.
23. Mr. Ferguson voiced concerns about the helicopter that was working on Sunday, 1/5/92, at the WalMart Distribution Center. He said the noise caused by the helicopter was a disturbance to the Westgrove residents and asked Mr. Lotz to send out flyers the next time something like this occurred. Mr. Lotz indicated that he was aware that the helicopter would be there on Sunday, however, Grove City no longer has a noise ordinance and this needs to be addressed.

Additional comments from Mr. Ferguson suggested that Administration contact WalMart and request that they work under the "Good Neighbor" Policy as did Pizzuti with Capital Music Center. Mayor Stage indicated that when WalMart initially approached Grove City that they already have that in their plan. In every conversation that has occurred, it has been said that it is always their intent to do such.

24. President Buzby wanted to congratulate Mayor Stage on his new term. We welcome the opportunity to work with him and look forward to a good term.
25. After additional comments from Administration and Council, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.
26. Council adjourned at 8:42 p.m.



Tami K. Kelly
Clerk of Council



Brian L. Buzby
President of Council