

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

February 17, 2009

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Berry at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 4035 Broadway.

After a moment of silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance, roll was called and the following members were present:

Ted Berry Mike Uhrin Greg Grinch

1. Mr. Uhrin moved to excuse Mr. Corbin and Ms. Klemack-McGraw; seconded by Mr. Grinch.
2. Mr. Uhrin moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting and approve as written; seconded by Mr. Grinch.

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes

3. President Berry recognized the Mayor who recognized Ms. Nancy Paslgrave, members of SWEA and The Cat In The Hat (Abby Badger). He presented them with a Proclamation proclaiming the week of March 2 – 6th “Reach Out and Read Across our Community Days”.

Next, the Mayor, with the assistance of Council, presented the Grove City High School Band with a Proclamation commending their achievements at the 2008 Fiesta Bowl Parade and National Band Championship. Pictures of the Band were shown on the “Smart Board” and Dr. Edge expressed their appreciation for Council’s support. He said the jackets were well used and everywhere they went people knew they were from Grove City, Ohio.

4. The Chair read the agenda items and all items were approved by unanimous consent.

The Chair recognized Mr. Uhrin, Chairman of Finance, for discussion and voting under said Committee.

1. Ordinance C-03-09 (Appropriate \$38,000.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Windsor Park Expansion Engineering Services) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Ms. Conrad, Dir. of Parks & Rec., explained this would pay for the engineering to begin the expansion of Windsor Park and showed a drawing of those improvements.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Uhrin moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Grinch.

Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

2. Ordinance C-04-09 (Appropriate \$31,000.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of the Westgrove/Elm Street Area Bike Path Engineering Services) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Ms. Conrad, Dir. of Parks & Rec., explained that this would provide engineering to bring a bike path from the Westgrove subdivision across and connect to the downtown area. President Berry commented that this was a much needed connection and with the expansion of the Town Center, timing is perfect.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Uhrin moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Grinch.

Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes

3. Ordinance C-05-09 (Appropriate \$487,742.00 from the Water Enterprise Fund for the Current Expense of the 8-inch Water Main Improvement for Security Drive & Brookpark Circle) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Hughes, Dir. of Service, explained that this was replacing a 6" line with an 8" line. Water monitoring has shown the need for a larger line.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Uhrin moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Grinch.

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes

4. Ordinance C-06-09 (Appropriate \$476,000.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of furthering the Real Estate Exchange Agreement with the Grove City Area Community Improvement Corporation and Sound Communications) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Smith, Dir. of Law, explained that this is the next step in exchanging buildings with Sound Communications. Mayor Stage said this really is a win/win situation for both parties. It allows a business to remain in the Town Center and expand. It also gives the City a building to use as an incubator site for new businesses.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Uhrin moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Grinch.

Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

5. Ordinance C-07-09 (Appropriate \$536,438.18 from the Capital Improvement Fund for the Current Expense of Paying Principal on Special Assessment Notes issued for Widening, Reconstructing & Improving S.R. 665) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Turner, Dir. of Finance, explained that this is interest that the City has received on its investment and appropriation authority is needed to pay down the Notes.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Uhrin moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Grinch.

Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes

6. Ordinance C-08-09 (Authorizing the Issuance of not to exceed \$9,530,240 of General Obligation - Limited Tax Bonds for the Purpose of Widening, Reconstructing, and Improving State Route 665 Between North Meadows Drive and Hoover Road, including the intersections therewith, with related Signage and Striping, Leisure Path, Drainage, Utility Relocation, and Site Improvements, Paying Engineering, Design and Legal Expenses Related Thereto, and Retiring Notes Previously Issued for such purpose; Authorizing a Bond Purchase Agreement appropriate for the sale of the Bonds; Authorizing the use and delivery of an Official Statement relating to the Bonds; Authorizing the Purchase of a Municipal Bond Insurance Policy, if desired, in connection therewith; and declaring an emergency) was given its second reading and at the request of the Administration, Mr. Uhrin moved it be postponed to 3/2/09; seconded by Mr. Grinch.

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes

7. Ordinance C-09-09 (Authorizing Declarations of Official Intent under U.S. Treasury Regulations with respect to Reimbursements from Note and Bond Proceeds of Temporary Advances made for payments prior to issuance and related matters) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Turner explained that this will give the City some flexibility in obtaining bonds and notes for the City. He said legislation would still have to come to Council for approval. This just allows them to declare their intent and get the process started sooner.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Uhrin moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Grinch.

Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

8. Ordinance C-10-09 (Amend Chapter 161 of the Codified Ordinances titled Employment Provisions for City Employees) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Ms. Eve Ellenger, attorney for City, explained that this Chapter had not been completely reviewed in some time. The majority of the changes bring our Code up-to-date with Federal legislation. She explained that there are two Sections that are already in the Code under Chapter 159 that they have moved to Chapter 161 so that all employment provisions are in one Chapter. She will submit changes to Chapter 159 later. She then explained that since the submittal, there are a couple of changes they would like to request to Section 161.10. The first being that in every place that the minimum salary shows \$7.50 they would like it changed to \$7.30 to reflect the new minimum wage. Also, they would like to leave the Deputy City Administrator's and the Director of Public Safety's salaries unchanged.

President Berry moved to amend Exhibit A to reflect in Section 161.10 that all references to \$7.50 be changed to \$7.30 and the change in the salary for the Deputy City Administrator and the Director of Public Service be removed; seconded by Mr. Uhrin.

Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Uhrin moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Grinch.

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes

9. Ordinance C-11-09 (Appropriate \$258,232.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Grading and Drainage Improvements for 3005 - 3035 Demorest Road) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Ms. Reichard, City Admin., noted that this amount is \$16,768.00 under the estimate.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Uhrin moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Grinch.

Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

10. Ordinance C-12-09 (Appropriate \$16,200.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Reimbursement of Actual Travel, Moving and Relocation expenses and Limited Temporary Housing expenses) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mayor Stage explained that this is for the new City Administrator. Mr. Honsey commented that they have put a bid in on a house in Grove City.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Uhrin moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Grinch.

Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes

11. Ordinance C-13-09 (Appropriate \$70,000.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Moving a Donated Building to Century Village) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on March 02, 2009.

The Chair asked that any new business to be brought before the attention of Council be done so at this time.

1. Mr. , expressed his appreciation to the Mayor and Council for allowing him to ride with them in the Christmas Parade.

2. Ms. Elizabeth Branson, also expressed her appreciation to Council for asking her to be their special guest and riding in the Christmas parade.

The Chair recognized members of Administration and Council for closing comments.

1. After requested comments from Council and Administrative staff members, a motion to adjourn was approved by unanimous consent.

Council adjourned at 8:47 p.m.



Tami K. Kelly, MMC
Clerk of Council



Ted A. Berry
Chair