

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

February 22, 1994

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Cheryl Grossman 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:

Mike Milovich Todd Hurley Cheryl Grossman John Schreck John Mountain

1. Mr. Milovich moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve as written; seconded by Mr. Schreck.

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| Mr. Milovich | Yes |
| Mr. Hurley | Yes |
| Ms. Grossman | Yes |
| Mr. Schreck | Yes |
| Mr. Mountain | Yes |

2. President Grossman recognized Mayor Stage for a presentation.

Mayor Stage swore in Mr. Tom Sennhenn as a Park Board Member.

The Chair recognized Mr. Hurley, Chairman of Lands & Zoning, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.

1. Ordinance C-9-94 (Approve Plat for Hoover Crossing, Section 5) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Terry Andrews, C.V. Perry Company, was available for questions or comments and requested a favorable decision from Council.

There being no questions or comments, Mr. Hurley moved that it be approved; seconded by Mr. Mountain.

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| Mr. Hurley | Yes |
| Ms. Grossman | Yes |
| Mr. Schreck | Yes |
| Mr. Mountain | Yes |
| Mr. Milovich | Yes |

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

1. Ms. Teresa Mills, 2319 Parkridge Ct., addressed Council concerning the Waste to Energy Facility. She stated that they (PARTA) feel that it is time that Council, as elected officials who are sworn to protect the citizens of Grove City, take a stand on the Trash Burning Power Plant. She said that President Grossman had stated that she felt that they should wait until test results were in. Ms. Mills said that she could agree with that if testing was being done, however, it is not. The OEPA is currently entering numbers into a computer. The Ohio Health Department is doing a computer

search on death certificates. This is not testing. Ms. Mills stated that by sitting back and not doing anything, we are allowing the City of Columbus and the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio to continue to operate this facility at an outrageously high level of dioxin, as well as other toxic materials. Today, she received a letter from Region 5 that indicated they have been investigating the Columbus Plant emissions, the recent regulatory history, and the appropriate regulatory enforcement and responses after receiving letters from the PARTA group. The PARTA input has been invaluable in the ongoing efforts. It also stated that Region 5 had sent a "Request for Information" to the Solid Waste Authority and the "Authority" has deferred this information request because Region 5 is now pursuing dioxin testing as well as facility improvements or other appropriate relief under the authority found in RCRA, Section 7003. In addition, she read from "Inside EPA" a weekly report that the EPA people in Washington get their news from. The article, titled "Could Trigger Enforcement Action", stated that Ms. Carol Browner, EPA Administrator, has launched a major, nationwide review of dioxin emissions from municipal waste combusters and EPA sources say that it is likely to lead to interim restrictions or enforcement actions against high emitters until the Agency finalizes the Clean Air Act setting stringent nationwide waste combustor leaded emissions. The letter also stated that Ms. Browner called in data from the EPA Regional Office of nearly 100 municipal waste combusters, nationwide. That request was apparently prompted by reports that a municipal waste combustor in Columbus has had previous testing showing dioxin emissions in the range of 8,772 to 17,892 nonograms per standing cubic meter. Ms. Mills stated that this means that our incinerator is being compared to every trash incinerator in the United States and ours is the worst. She indicated that it shows her that everyone in Chicago and Washington are concerned with our incinerator. However, the Ohio EPA feels that Mr. Sanjour's letter is a slap in the face and they will do whatever they have to do to prove him wrong. Ms. Mills announced that she will deliver two (2) documents to the Clerk of Council's office tomorrow which were sent to her anonymously and she asks that Council read them very carefully. She said that once these have been read, it only takes common sense to see that this facility should be closed. Lastly, Ms. Mills responded to a letter Mayor Stage wrote to Administrator Browner which states that Mr. Sanjour's memorandum could be considered a "Call to Arms" or much worse, "Yelling Fire in a Crowded Theater". To this she stated that Paul Revere's "Call to Arms" helped make America what it is today, and as for "Yelling Fire in a Crowded Theater" - isn't it better to yell fire when you see smoke? That's what Mr. Sanjour has done. She urged everyone to watch the 11:00 p.m. news on Channel 10 as there has been a new update from Washington.

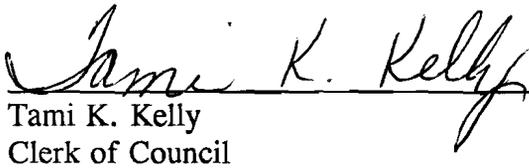
Mayor Stage commented that two letters have been sent to the Federal EPA and as of yet, there has been no response.

President Grossman recognized members of Administration and Council for closing comments.

1. Mayor Stage provided Council with a copy of the resume for Mr. Joseph Clifford. Mr. Clifford is a retired Judge and former Clerk of Courts, and is the individual Administration is considering hiring for the Mayor's Court Magistrate on an "as needed" basis. In addition, he commented on a letter he received from Meals on Wheels which outlines the number of calls made. They have served 14,100 meals during 1993 in Grove City. He said that we continue to be blessed with people who volunteer their time, exert their energy and give money for this cause.
2. Shannon Hamons, Director of Development, announced that the first City Newsletter will be sent out the first week of March. The "City Scene" will continue on a quarterly basis.

3. Mr. Todd Hurley provided an update to Resolution CR-9-94, which was passed on February 7, 1994 and spoke to House Bill 30. Mr. Hurley announced that this Bill did pass in Committee, but, with two amendments. The first changed the required contiguous property from 20% to 10%. The second, changed the requirement of petitioners for annexation must represent 60% of the acreage of the area to be annexed to a **majority of acreage**.
4. President Grossman congratulated the Parks Department and Gantz Farm for a picture of the Farm being placed on the cover of Country Living. In addition, she thanked the Street Department for the continued efforts on filling the pot holes around the City.
5. After additional comments from Administration, the Chamber and Council, a motion was made to adjourn and seconded. Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 8:20 p.m.


Tami K. Kelly
Clerk of Council


Cheryl L. Grossman
President of Council