

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO  
COUNCIL MINUTES

March 05, 2001

Regular Meeting

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

*Chris Fulton Vaughn Radi Steve Bennett Budd Eversman Maria Klemack*

1. Mr. Eversman moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes for the previous meeting and approve as written; seconded by Mr. Fulton.

Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes

2. President Bennett read the agenda items and they were approved by unanimous consent. He then moved to add Ord. C-18-01 and C-19-01 under the Finance Committee; seconded by Mr. Eversman.

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes

**The Chair recognized Mr. Radi, chairman of the Lands & Zoning Committee, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.**

1. Ordinance C-8-01 (Appropriate Property at 2734 Home Road) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Clark, Dir. of Law, explained that we are in the process of improving Home Road and it was necessary to take some property to do that. This is the last piece of the puzzle to be able to file a formal take for certain property. He said they are still in negotiation with the property owner and may not have to take such action.

Mr. Bennett commented that this was a small piece of property. Mr. Clark confirmed that it was ten feet along the front of a property on the north side of Home Road. He said construction has started and wanted to get this ready, in the event that an agreement isn't reached with the property owner.

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

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes

2. Ordinance C-13-01 (Authorize the Administrative Assistant to Take Any Necessary Actions to Convey Certain Real Property to the Grove City Community Improvement Corporation) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on March 19, 2001.
3. Ordinance C-14-01 (Accept the Transfer of 3.740 acres of Property, located on Marlane Drive) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on March 19, 2001.
4. Resolution CR-11-01 (Approve the Sign request for Eric J. Strawser, attorney, located at 3725 Broadway in the Historical Preservation Area.

Mr. Radi explained that Council is in receipt of a FAX by Mr. Strawser requesting that this be withdrawn.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Radi moved it be withdrawn, seconded by President Bennett.

Mr. Eversman	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes

5. Resolution CR-17-01 (Approve the final Development Plan for Meadow Grove East, Section 5 and Meadow Grove South, Section 6 & 7) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Don Wick, Rockford Homes, was present to answer any questions. Mr. Radi reviewed the stipulations set by Planning Commission, which Mr. Wick agreed to and commented that some have already been addressed. Mr. Eversman commented that with the lots being as wide as they are, he believes this will look very nice and give the less-dense look that he appreciates.

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

Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes

6. Resolution CR-18-01 (Approve the Sign Request for Jeffrey Buskirk, Attorney at Law, located at 4178 Broadway in the Historical Preservation Area) was given its reading & public hearing.

Mr. Jeffrey Buskirk, petitioner, was present to answer any questions. Mr. Radi read the stipulation set by Planning Commission regarding lighting. Mr. Buskirk agreed to resubmit if he desires to add lighting to the sign later.

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

Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes

**The Chair recognized Mr. Fulton, Chairman of the Service Committee, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.**

1. Ordinance C-15-01 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into the Revised Contracts for Sewer Services with the City of Columbus and declare an Emergency) was given its first reading.

Mr. Stage, City Admin., explained that upon passage by the City of Columbus, some small, insignificant changes were made to the Contracts and ask Council to approved the Revised Contract for both Sewer and Water. Since the old contract has long since expired and it is necessary to have a new contract in place to service the community, he requested it and C-16-01 be approved as an emergency.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Fulton moved that the Rules of Council be suspended and the waiting period waived; seconded by Mr. Radi.

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes

Mr. Fulton moved it be approved as an emergency; seconded by Ms. Klemack.

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes

2. Ordinance C-16-01 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into the Revised Contracts for Water Services with the City of Columbus and declare an Emergency) was given its first reading and Mr. Fulton moved that the Rules of Council be suspended and the waiting period waived; seconded by Mr. Eversman.

Mr. Eversman	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes

Mr. Fulton moved it be approved as an emergency; seconded by Mr. Radi.

Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes

**The Chair recognized Ms. Klemack, Chairman of the Safety Committee, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.**

1. Ordinance C-17-01 (Amend Chapter 1301 of the Codified Ordinances titled General Provisions and Code Penalty) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on March 19, 2001.

Mr. Boso, Chief Building and Zoning Official, commented that he is reviewing all of Part 13 and updating the different Chapters. Some of the changes for this Chapter include the addition of a Purpose, Scope and some new definitions.

**The Chair recognized Mr. Eversman, Chairman of the Finance Committee, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.**

1. Ordinance C-9-01 (Amend Section 161.10 titled Compensation Plan; Employees and Officers) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Eversman explained that this would allow for increases to take place that were budgeted in the 2001 Annual Appropriation Ordinance.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Eversman moved it be approved, seconded by Mr. Radi.

Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes

2. Ordinance C-10-01 (Appropriate the Outstanding Fund Balances of Certain Project Funds for Current Expenses) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Eversman explained that these are balances carried forward and necessary to complete projects. He stated that an additional Fund was discovered after the first reading and moved to amend Section 1 to include: Hoover/Stringtown Rd. Project Fund \$ 250,000.00; seconded by Mr. Fulton.

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes

Mr. Eversman moved it be approved, as amended; seconded by Ms. Klemack.

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes

- Ordinance C-11-01 (Appropriate \$35,000.00 from the Community Environment Tree fund for the Current Expense of the Spring Planting Project) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Eversman explained that this is for money that was collected to plant street trees.

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

Mr. Eversman	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes

- Ordinance C-12-01 (Appropriate \$4,374.79 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Vehicle Repair) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Eversman explained that this is for payment from the insurance companies for police cruiser repairs.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Eversman moved it be approved; seconded by Ms. Klemack.

Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes

- Ordinance C-18-01 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into a Joint Cooperation Agreement between the City, South-Western City Schools, Jackson Township and Franklin County for the Sharing of Costs Associated with the Reconstruction of Bun Run South and Holt Roads) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be 03/19/2001.

Mr. Stage, City Admin., explained that they have been in discussion for some time with Franklin County and SWCS to improve these streets to Grove City standards. A meeting was held last week and they worked from an Agreement that was drafted in March, 2000, that did not have Grove City as part of the partnership. Mr. Stage said the City's portion of the project would be up to 1.2 million dollars, with the total project costing \$2.7 million. He explained the different portions of the road and who would be financially responsible for each part. He said the County would take this on as their project with the City reimbursing them for their portion. As shown in C-19-01, the Township would reimburse the City for its portion, which is estimated to be \$400,000.00. The third piece to the puzzle is the annexation of the road to Grove City, once the project is complete. He also explained that, except for about \$400,000.00, the City has the money budgeted - through money's not being used for other projects. Mr. Eversman asked if the cost runs over, would the City be responsible for additional costs. Mr. Stage stated that the Agreement doesn't speak to that. However, our Consulting Engineer, EMH&T, feels comfortable with the figures presented and unless it is a major overrun, he doesn't believe we would have to bear any additional costs. Mayor Grossman commented that this is the fifth dangerous intersection in the County. Mr. Stage stated that a traffic light has been installed at this intersection since that report, but, upgrading this to a City street will give additional help. Mr. Fulton asked if everyone else is on board. Mr. Stage said the School District will have this Agreement on their March 19, 2001 Agenda and Jackson Township is suppose to hear it on March 13, 2001. He said this is part of the reason for asking Council to add this to the Agenda this evening. He said they don't have the Contracts signed, but feels the County and everyone else is in agreement.

7. Ordinance C-19-01 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into an Agreement with Jackson Township for the Cost Sharing of the Reconstruction of Big Run South and Holt Roads) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on 03/19/2001.

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

**There being no new business, President Bennett recognized members of Administration and Council for closing comments.**

1. Mayor Grossman submitted the Mayor's Monthly Report and Mr. Eversman moved to accept same; seconded by Mr. Radi.

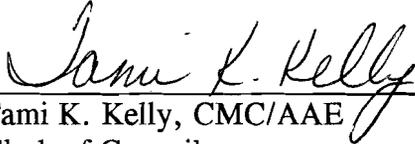
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes

In closing, the Mayor reported on some street and storm water improvements underway. She reminded drivers that Home Road is temporarily a one-way street, going west, and the police are patrolling the area.

2. Mr. Greg McCarty, SWCS Liason, was present and reported on some of the issues that the School Board voted on earlier that evening.

3. Mr. Fulton asked about the City Administrator's position and the Asst. Dev. Director's position. Mayor Grossman said she had nothing to share. Mr. Stage said they are in the process of writing a Job Description for the Asst. Dev. Director.
4. After additional comments from Administration, the Chamber and Council, a motion was made to adjourn and seconded. Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 8:37 p.m.



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Tami K. Kelly, CMC/AAE  
Clerk of Council



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Steven M. Bennett  
President