

GROVE CITY, OHIO COUNCIL
MINUTES

April 27, 1992

Special Meeting

1. A special meeting of Council was called to order by President Buzby at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 4035 Broadway.
2. The roll was called and the following members were present:

<i>Brian Buzby</i>	<i>Charles Cotton</i>	<i>William Ferguson</i>
<i>John Mountain</i>	<i>William Buckley</i>	

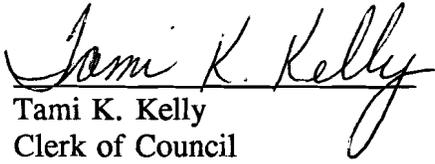
Also present were: Charles Boso - City Administrator, Marcia Thompson - Grove City Record, and Mr. Gary Sigrest, Jr. - Grove City resident.

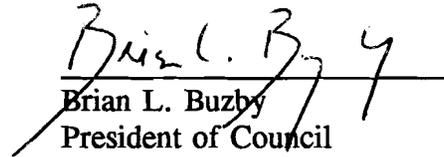
3. President Buzby chaired the special meeting and proceeded with the agenda item.
4. President Buzby informed attendees that a before Council this evening was a tendered resignation from Mr. Buckley of the fourth ward.
5. President moved to accept the resignation of Mr. William Buckley; seconded by Mr. Mountain.

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

6. President Buzby indicated that he intended to entertain a motion to appoint the position of Council Member - Ward 4 at the next regular meeting of council.
7. Mr. Ferguson asked for background information concerning this and Mr. Buckley responded by informing Mr. Ferguson and the attendees that his old employer, Ohio State University, was offering a retirement opportunity with a buy-out for qualified employees. He felt that it was in his best interest to accept the offer and retired on February 29, 1992. Prior to doing so, he checked with P.E.R.S. to see what effect, if any, it would have on his benefits since he was an elected official and paid into P.E.R.S. under this position. The initial response was he could keep his seat on council and lose two month of benefits which Mr. Buckley indicated he opted to do. However, after many additional phone calls and conversations with the City Law Director and Finance Director and P.E.R.S., it was determined that a full retirement from the P.E.R.S. program had to occur before retirement benefits could start. If he wished to apply for appointment of his elected position, it would not interfere with his benefits. Mr. Buckley said that resigning is the only to obtain his benefits and as much as he wants to remain on Council, he must also think of his family.
8. Mr. Gary Sigrest, Jr. expressed his concerns regarding this issue. He asked if this position was open to anyone to apply for? President Buzby said anyone in the fourth ward can apply. Mr. Sigrest said he assumed that the Charter set the procedure for this. President Buzby indicated that the only procedure is that Council must appoint someone within 60 days or the Mayor shall appoint someone. Mr. Sigrest asked how someone would go about applying? President Buzby said they should get in touch with one of the council members.

9. After additional comments from Administration and Council, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.
10. Council adjourned at 7:25 p.m.


Tami K. Kelly
Clerk of Council


Brian L. Buzby
President of Council