

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO

COUNCIL MINUTES

May 16, 2011

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Berry at 7:00 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:

Greg Grinch Maria Klemack-McGraw Ted Berry Steve Bennett Melissa Albright

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

Mr. Grinch	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Albright	Yes

2. President Berry recognized Ohio House of Representative Cheryl Grossman for a presentation. Rep. Grossman, together with Mayor Stage and Chief Robinette, presented the Annual Police Awards to: Police Officer of the Year – Det. Nick Deskins; Civilian of the Year – James P. Jones; Lifesaving Award – Off. Jason Davis; Distinguished Service Award – Carrie Wimer. Then, Rep. Grossman presented the Police Division with a resolution from the General Assemble recognizing them for their accreditation.

Finally, Mayor Stage presented a Proclamation for Police Week.

3. Chair read the agenda items and they were approved by unanimous consent.

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

1. Ordinance C-20-11 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into a Jobs Growth Incentive Agreement with Legacy Commercial Flooring, LTD.) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Phil Honsey, City Admin, explained that since its introduction, there has been quite a bit of work on this Agreement. It has been determined that it would be best for the City and the Company if the threshold was based on a dollar amount rather than the number of employees. Thus, the Agreement has been slightly changed to require the company to have a minimum payroll of \$2,000,000.00 each year before it is eligible for a refund. He thanked Council for their thoughtful conversation into this Agreement.

Mr. George Holinga, owner, said they are residents of Grove City and proud to be moving their business here. He said the company is 100 years old and one of the top businesses in the industry. He said they would bring 91 jobs to Grove City. Mr. Berry asked if 91 employees is an expansion. Mr. Holinga explained this is their current staff. 41 would be stationary and the rest are sales staff that travels.

There being no additional questions, Mr. Berry moved that Exhibit A be replaced with Amended Exhibit A; seconded by Ms. Klemack-McGraw.

Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Albright	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes

Mr. Bennett moved it be approved, as amended; seconded by Ms. Klemack-McGraw.

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Albright	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes

2. Ordinance C-21-11 (Appropriate \$110,000.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of the Lumberyard Temporary Site Improvements) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on June 6, 2011.

The Chair recognized Mr. Grinch, Chairman of Service, for discussion and voting under said Committee.

1. Resolution CR-17-11 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into a Contract with the Ohio Department of Transportation for the purchase of Sodium Chloride for the 2011-2012 Winter Season) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Grinch explained that this will allow the City to purchase road salt through the ODOT purchasing agreement.

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

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Albright	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

The Chair recognized Ms. Klemack-McGraw, Chairman of Lands & Zoning, for discussion and voting under said Committee.

1. Ordinance C-22-11 (Approve a Special Use Permit for Outdoor Sales for The Tamarkin Company, d/b/a Giant Eagle, located at 2173 Stringtown Road) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on June 06, 2011.
2. Ordinance C-23-11 (Amend the Zoning Text for the Pinnacle Club of Grove City as adopted by Ord. C-126-03) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on June 20, 2011.

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

1. Mr. Bob Mazzola, representing the Fountain View Condo Association, stated that at the last Council Meeting, Mayor Stage asked for a proposal from their Association to resolve the Parkway Centre East

traffic noise and visual pollution nuisance. That proposal was distributed to the Mayor and Council on Friday, 5/13. He reviewed their queries since 2004 and the oral reassurances given them. He said the original plan had one ingress/egress to Lamplighter Road. Now there are three curb cuts on that road. They believe this commercial center causes unfathomable traffic noise and light pollution nuisance to the local residents. They urged Council and City Officials to read their proposal and approve the recommended solutions or develop a viable alternative to protect the welfare and property values of Fountain View residents.

Mr. Bennett said we have gone through this for a number of years and thought better buffering was to be added. He asked Mr. Chuck Boso if there is a possibility of eliminating the western most curb cut. Mr. Boso said there is an approved development plan and this is a legal question rather than a development question. Mr. Honsey said with the development plan being approved, that horse has left the barn. He noted that Maria, he and Chuck met with some of the Fountain View residents prior to the Council Meeting tonight. Chuck went back through all the legislation and public action with the residents, so that they are all working from the same set of facts. He said they have agreed to work with the residents. The next step is to see if Continental Real Estate will set down with that same group and go over some possibilities. We do not have a mechanism, without paying substantial amounts of money, to take rights away from the developer at this point. However, there may be some things that can be done to minimize the issues by working with the neighborhood and the developer.

Mr. Smith, Dir. of Law, agree with Mr. Honsey. He said we do have a provision to allow for an amended Development Plan, but the request must come from the Developer/Property Owner.

Mr. Berry noted that there were a couple of ideas that came out of the meeting that will be pursued.

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

1. The Mayor submitted the Mayor's Court report and Mr. Berry moved to accept same; seconded by Ms. Albright.

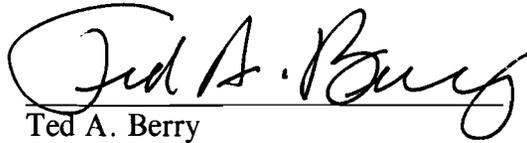
Ms. Albright	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes

He then reported events from last weekend and on upcoming events.

2. Mr. Spring, Service Director, updated Council on the I-71/SR665 Bridge and the Water Tower construction.
3. Mr. Turner, Finance Dir, passed out the Monthly Report. The said he is pleased with where we are and we are above projections.
4. After additional comments from Council and Administrative staff members, a motion to adjourn was approved by unanimous consent.

Council adjourned at 7:50 p.m.


Tami K. Kelly, MMC
Clerk of Council


Ted A. Berry
President