

**CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES**

June 17, 1996

Regular Meeting

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

Todd Hurley

Steve Bennett

Mike Milovich

Jeff Warner

Bruce Faris

1. President Milovich recognized Mayor Grossman for a presentation. Mayor Grossman recognized several individuals and groups who assisted with the Torch Ceremony. She said June 17, 1996 was a very special event in Grove City's history and is very honored to have had the Olympic Torch go through and stop here. The event would not have been possible without the support and assistance of Ms. Tina Badurina, Grove City Area Visitors & Conventions Bureau, Ms. Diane Hammeril, Town Center Merchants, and President Milovich, Council. She presented pictures to each that summarized the events of the evening. She also thanked Janet Shailer, Messenger, for the great headline on the front page. She then announced that a tape of the evening would be played after the Council meeting for anyone who wished to stay.
2. Mr. Warner moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve as written; seconded by Mr. Faris.

Mr. Hurley	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Faris	Yes

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

1. Ordinance C-39-96 (Rezone 112.026 acres, located on State Route 665, Parcels 4961 & 4975, from SD-3 & C-2 to PUD-C and PUD-I) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Tim Kelton, Ruscilli Construction, was present to answer any questions. He noted that they have met with the contiguous home owners and have incorporated all their recommendations into the plan.

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

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Faris	Yes
Mr. Hurley	Yes

Mr. Kelton thanked Council. This is a big project and said they are the first to break ground with the new Landscape Code. They look forward to working with the community for many years.

2. Ordinance C-46-96 (Rezone 5.764 acres, located east of Jackpot and north of Stringtown Roads, from IND-1, Light Industry to PUD-C, Planned Unit Development - Commercial) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on August 5, 1996.

Mr. Hurley noted that there was a question regarding the legal description and Mr. Clark, Director of Law, stated that after speaking with Mr. Edwards, engineer for project, the legal description is correct. The question of whether Council can rezone the City-owned easement, even though they did not petition for it appears to be yes. Mr. Edwards said the intent is to rezone everything that is undeveloped on the east side of Jackpot Road regardless of who owns it. If, for some reason, the road doesn't get built, you won't be left with a strip that is zoned IND-1. Mr. Hurley noted that the intent for the easement is to build a road and the zoning would be immaterial.

3. Resolution CR-31-96 (Approve the Final Development Plan for Fryer Park, Phase 1) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Faris moved to amend Stipulation #1 to read: *Landscape Islands be incorporated in parking areas per the current Chapter 1136*; seconded by Mr. Warner.

Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Faris	Yes
Mr. Hurley	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes

Mr. Warner noted that this is only one-third of the entire project and there is a concept plan available to anyone interested, after the meeting, showing the remaining areas.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Hurley moved it be approved, as amended; seconded by Mr. Warner.

Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Faris	Yes
Mr. Hurley	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes

The Chair recognized Mr. Warner, Chairman of Finance, for discussion and voting of items under said committee.

1. Ordinance C-47-96 (Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,810,000 adjustable rate Economic Development Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 1996 (Cross Country Inns, Inc., Project) of the City of Grove City, Ohio, the proceeds of which shall be loaned to Donald R. Kenney, Trustee to refund Bonds previously issued by the City of Grove City to finance the acquisition, construction, installation and equipping of a commercial facility for use as a hotel and/or motel facility located within the City of Grove City, Ohio; providing for the pledge of revenues for the payment of such Bonds; Authorizing a Loan Agreement and Trust indenture appropriate for the protection and disposition of such revenues and to further secure such Bonds; Authorizing a Bond Placement Agreement; Authorizing other actions in connection with the Issuance of such Bonds; and declaring and emergency) was given its first reading.

Mr. Bill Conard, Bond Council from Bricker & Eckler, explained that these are special revenue Bonds, payable only by Mr. Kenney. The City has no liability and cannot use city funds to pay the debt, per State Law. Mr. Bennett asked if the terms on these Bonds are the same as the original. Mr. Conard said the average weight of maturity will be a little bit less and, of course, the interest rate will be lower.

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

Mr. Faris	Yes
Mr. Hurley	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes

Mr. Warner moved it be approved as an emergency; seconded by President Milovich.

Mr. Hurley	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Faris	Yes

2. Ordinance C-48-96 (Appropriate \$4,000 from the Street Fund and \$4,000 from the Sewer Fund for the Current Expense of building repairs and declaring an emergency) was given its first reading.

Mr. Warner explained that the vehicle storage and maintenance facility, located at the Ronald K. Harrison Service Complex is in need of repair to the roof and other supports due to water damage. An emergency is being requested in order to make immediate repairs and provide a safe work environment.

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

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Faris	Yes
Mr. Hurley	Yes

Mr. Warner moved it be approved as an emergency; seconded by President Milovich.

Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Warner	Yes
Mr. Faris	Yes
Mr. Hurley	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes

3. Ordinance C-49-96 (Appropriate \$10,000 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of purchasing Micro Fiche reader/printer equipment) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on July 01, 1996.
4. Ordinance C-50-96 (Appropriate \$6,000 from the Street Fund for the Current Expense of Preliminary Engineering for Sidewalks and Street Trees on Stringtown Road) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on July 01, 1996.

President Milovich noted that the purpose for this is to have sidewalks installed on the north side of Stringtown Road. With the amount of hotels and restaurants, there is more pedestrian traffic and a need exists to provide safe access. This \$6,000.00 would be part of the assessment placed on the property owners to install the sidewalks. It also may allow us to follow through with a street tree program on Stringtown Road, similar to the other major thoroughfares in the city.

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

1. Mr. Russ Adams, Central Ohio Sierra Club, asked that they consider making population awareness a bigger part of their personal leadership. He explained that the worlds population is doubling in record short, 46 year periods. They consider the situation so important that they have been going out and speaking to various groups, service clubs, etc. They ask the constituents to tell them what they consider the most serious social issues facing themselves and their children in years to come. What comes up most often are: crime, traffic congestion, jobs/job security, damage to environment. All these issues can be contributed to population growth. The bottom line is, if you care about the community, what can you do? They feel we can take a page from Italy's example, who have gotten their growth down to 1.3 children per family, and show that population growth does matter to our social dilemmas and can give our children a better world if we grow our population a little slower.

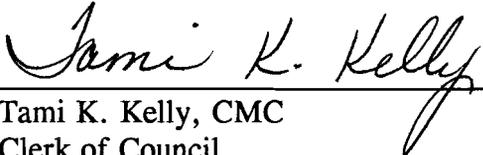
President Milovich cited some figures from the Census Bureau for Franklin County, provided by the U.S. Department of Commerce. In July, 1992, Franklin County had a population of 19,560 for ages 5 - 8. In January, 1996, the Census Bureau is estimating that we are at 19,489. He said that it brings to mind that Franklin County may be paying attention and heading some of the concerns Mr. Adams addressed. Also, the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce, Research Department, provided statistics on the area, which consists of six (6) counties. Based on their population statistics, the estimate for 1970 was 1,149,432 and in 1990 there was a 19% gain to 1,377,419. Their anticipated growth from now to 2000 is only a seven percent (7%) gain (1,477,600). Again, from another source, we find in Franklin County that we are paying attention to our population growth. Based on this data and the circle involvement that Council has in the community, he asked Mr. Adams how they could enhance these statistics or make the constituents of our governing area more concerned. Mr. Adams noted that the United States is doing a little better than the world average and maybe we need to get a little more involved in Domestic Policy so other countries don't tear down our lifestyle. Welfare reform also needs to take place and cut out the incentive toward cancerous population growth on the welfare system. Also, being in a leadership role, if the question arises regarding having large families (6 kids), just share the information and/or direct them to the Sierra Club. President Milovich asked if they do not believe that the quality of life is a direct reflection of the care-giving, love and support of a family more so than the head count of that family. Mr. Adams said yes, but, research shows that if a family has two children or less, the children will run a higher grade point average and the chances of going to college are greater. It looks like the children are getting more quality family time when they come from small families.

They do agree that it must be done on a family context and all must come together to bring a problem to the solution. Mr. Warner commented that he doesn't feel it is governments role to encourage or discourage personal choice of a family. He said he realizes population control is an issue, but, doesn't know if he feels government should take a position either way. Mr. Adams stated that they are not endorsing population control either. They figure that if it is talked about, we can avoid what took place in Red China. He invited Council to attend the next Sertoma meeting, where he will be a speaker. Mr. Faris asked if the Sierra Club had a large, active membership in the countries with greater birth rates. It seems like a moot point in the U.S. and should be focusing their attention on those countries with a larger problem. Mr. Adams said they do, but, feel you can reduce abortion and new births by having population awareness up front.

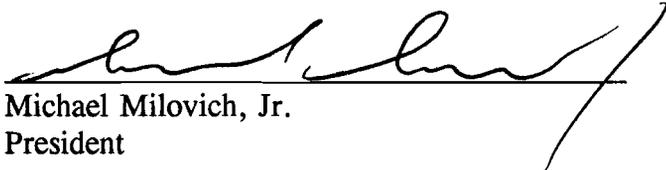
President Milovich recognized members of Administration and Council for closing comments.

1. Mayor Grossman announced that the ramps currently closed on I-71 will be opening this Friday, and then on Monday, the ramps on the other side will be closed. She commented that street improvements are getting underway along with mosquito spraying.
2. Council members expressed thanks to everyone involved in the planning and efforts given toward the olympic torch ceremony. It was certainly an extraordinary event. The news coverage was great and it made us look super.
3. President Milovich welcomed the new Noon Lions Club to Grove City. Along with the regular vision services of the Lion's Club, they will also focus on organ and tissue donors. He announced that he, Mr. Boso and Mr. Behlen are working on legislation to create an Economic Stabilization Fund. The purpose for this fund is to have a way to maintain the City's financing in the event of an economic downturn. He said he hopes to have it in place by the 1997 Budget. He also commended those involved with the olympic torch. The personal sacrifices given by the city staff and business members is one of the reasons why Grove City was chosen to be a stop for the torch.
4. After additional comments from Administration, the Chamber and Council, a motion was made to adjourn and seconded. Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 8:57 p.m.



Tami K. Kelly, CMC
Clerk of Council



Michael Milovich, Jr.
President