

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

June 18, 2007

Regular Meeting

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

Larry Corbin Maria Klemack-McGraw Rich Lester Richard Stage Ted Berry

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

Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

2. President Lester read the agenda items and they were approved by unanimous consent.
3. President Lester recognized Mayor Grossman, who recognized Jackie Bishop, Heather Edington, and Faith Pauquette for receiving the Girl Scout Bronze Award. She then administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Jeff LeVally as a Board of Zoning Appeals member.

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

1. Ordinance C-50-07 (Authorize the City Administrator to Sell Excess Real Property) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Stage moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Corbin.

Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes

2. Ordinance C-53-07 (Appropriate \$695.46 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Vehicle Repair) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on July 02, 2007.
3. Ordinance C-54-07 (Appropriate \$86,414.10 from the SR665/I71 Project Fund for the Current Expense of Road Design, Construction and Inspection) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on July 02, 2007.

The Chair recognized, Mr. Berry, Chairman of Service, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.

1. Resolution CR-32-07 (Waive the Provisions of Section 903.01(b) of the Codified Ordinances for the Annual Alumni Softball Tournament on July 28 & 29, 2007 at Fryer Park) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Steve Bennett, representing Sertoma, stated that he didn't see the copy of the Resolution, and they are also requesting a rain date for the first weekend in August with this request. He said many years ago the City approached the Sertoma Club and asked them to provide and control the beer during the Alumni Softball Tournament. Sertoma agreed to do so. They have insurance and training, through the State of Ohio, for serving beer. They also have non-alcoholic beer available. The proceeds are used for various community charities (DARE, Meals-on Wheels, Deaf Services, hearing aids for youth of our community, etc.). They believe it is a good idea to provide control over the beer sales and they are willing to do that. This is not for sale on any public streets, just in the beer garden at the park.

Chief Deskins commented he has a philosophical problem with allowing beer sales that for 364 days out of the year is illegal. However, there is a long history and by doing it this way, it does provide control. Mr. Berry asked if there have been any problems at the Parade of Homes. Chief Deskins said no.

President Lester asked Mr. Bennett to elaborate on his beer garden comment. Mr. Bennett explained that the State requires them to designate a boundary where the beer will be allowed. There is a specific area designated where the alcohol can be consumed. He said they do maintain a police presence and the other ordinances not allowing alcohol to be brought into the park will be intact. President Lester said he appreciates what they do, even though he has a philosophical difference with this issue. Mr. Stage provided a little history. The first years of the tournaments, the beer came in coolers like you wouldn't believe. He said, while he is opposed to selling beer on city property, the compromise was to have a controlled sale and it worked very well for many years. When the City did not allow for this to take place the last few years, he commented to the legislators that the city was naive in thinking that there would be no alcohol consumption at this event. He said he took a picture of a trash dumpster two years ago that was overflowing with beer cans. He said he is hoping that we have strict discipline in the process.

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

Mr. Lester	No
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes

Prior to his vote, Mr. Stage noted that he is a member of Sertoma as a life member, but does not participate regularly. He was told that there was no reason for him to abstain, for that reason.

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

1. Ordinance C-40-07 (Rezone 21.390 acres located at 2275 Holton Road, Henceroth Park, from R-1 to CF) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Corbin moved it be approved; seconded by President Lester.

Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes

2. Ordinance C-51-07 (Approve a Special Use Permit for Integrity Plus Auto body for Automotive Services located at 6153 Enterprise Parkway) was given second reading and public hearing and Mr. Corbin moved it be approved; seconded by President Lester.

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes

3. Ordinance C-52-07 (Amend Ord. C-21-06, a Special Use Permit for a Drive-Thru Window for Village @ The Grove located at 2600 London-Groveport Rd.) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Ms. Diana Sweeney, VP for Neuendorf Co., was present to answer any questions.

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

Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

4. Resolution CR-30-07 (Amend Res. CR-22-06, the Development Plan for the Village at the Groves located at 2600 London-Groveport Road) was given its reading and public hearing.

Ms. Diana Sweeney, VP for Neuendorf Co., was present.

Mr. Stage moved to amend Section 1 to add the following stipulation: 1. The 510' fence along the northern property line shall be removed and a landscape buffer installed and approved by the city's Urban Forester. Seconded by Mr. Berry.

Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	No
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes

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

Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes

5. Resolution CR-33-07 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into Conservation Easement Agreements with Parkway Centre East, LLC) was given its reading and at the request of the Administration, Mr. Corbin moved it be withdrawn; seconded by Mr. Berry.

Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes

6. Resolution CR-34-07 Waive Certain Provisions of Section 1135.14(a)(5) of the Codified Ordinances titled Submission Procedures for the Village At Gantz Meadows project located at 2066 & 2080 Home Road.

Mr. Joe Thomas, representing the Village @ Gantz Meadows, was present to answer any questions.

President Lester thanked Mr. Thomas for their e-mail confirming that the building will be torn down and a more regular maintenance plan for the grass, etc. will be implemented.

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

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes

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

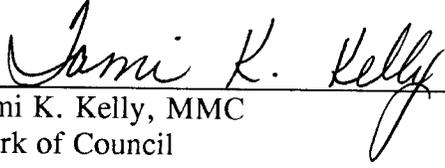
The Chair recognized members of Administration and Council for closing comments.

1. Mayor Grossman announced that Ms. Roberta Camp, Grove City resident, was named Miss Ohio. She commended the staff on their efforts with the Parade of Homes. This year's parade exceeded all the BIA goals. She reminded everyone of Relay for Life this weekend.

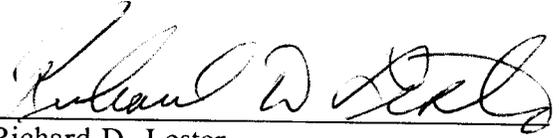
Finally, the Mayor and the Members of Council recognized Bob Behlen, Dir. of Finance, who will be retiring at the end of July. A Proclamation was read and presented to him. Bob expressed his appreciation for being able to grow up with the City. Council presented him with a small gift of their appreciation.

2. Council and Staff expressed their good wishes to Mr. Behlen for his retirement and their thanks for the wonderful job and services to the City he has accomplished.
3. After additional comments from Council and other Administrative staff members, a motion to adjourn was approved by unanimous consent.

Council adjourned at 8:55 p.m.



Tami K. Kelly, MMC
Clerk of Council



Richard D. Lester
President