

**GROVE CITY, OHIO COUNCIL
MINUTES**

July 06, 1992

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Brian Buzby at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 4035 Broadway.

After a moment of silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance, the roll was called and the following members were present:

*Brian Buzby
John Mountain*

*William Ferguson
Charles Cotton*

William Buckley

1. Mr. Buckley moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve as written; seconded by Mr. Mountain.

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

2. President Buzby recognized Ms. Karla Kowar, Recycling Coordinator, for the first presentation of the evening.

Ms. Kowar reported on the curb side recycling program. She indicated that the distribution of bins went very well. There were 3,906 bins distributed and 772 sold. The money collected from the sale of bins has been put into an account and will be used to replace the bin supply as needed. They are still distributing bins at the Service Department and anyone who still needs to pick up a bin can do so there. She announced that 57% of the citizens have received bins to participate in the curb side recycling program and she was very proud of this figure. During distribution weekend, no incidents occurred. The only people turned down for a bin were apartment residents and township residents. Township residents are being informed that we are working with Franklin County Regional Solid Waste Management Authority to see if they can umbrella the City and Township in some way so that the program can be expanded to include township residents. Today was the first day for pick-up and she rode with Larry's Trucking. Things went very well. President Buzby asked if this slowed down the haulers very much? Ms. Kowar said that she periodically asked the workers how things were going and they replied that everything was going very smoothly. Ms. Kowar did say that there would be glitches along the way and they hit their first one today. The plastic recycling company, CycleMat, will only accept milk jugs and two liter drink bottles. Larry is contacting other companies to find a place to accept the rest of the plastic. However, Karla stated that the majority of plastic being picked up are the milk jugs and drink bottles. In conclusion, Ms. Kowar introduced the logo for our program. She indicated that artist, Ray Kline designed it, donated his time and Karla thanked him for his help.

3. President Buzby introduced Chief Jahn, Fire Chief of Franklin County Fire Dept., for a presentation on the consolidation of fire departments.

Chief Jahn stated that many months ago the Central Ohio Fire Chiefs decided to look into the feasibility of consolidating fire departments. With that, a committee was formed and from there, ten subcommittees were formed to review the questions concerning fire prevention and code enforcement, dispatching and communications, training, budget and finance, administration, fire and EMS, hazardous materials, and support/information systems. These subcommittee's are scheduled to file a preliminary report on September 18, 1992 and a final report on October 16, 1992. He indicated that all meetings were held at MORPC if anyone wished to attend the meetings. He said that the overall program started just after WWII in England and has spread to the United States. The most familiar being Los Angeles County, however, this program is not new to Ohio. Many departments have consolidated throughout Ohio and Franklin Township has

already begun by cross-training, transferring firefighters between stations and having auto response with Columbus. The consolidation program is very interesting and something to look at and gave the council members some material to read about the subject.

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

1. Ordinance C-55-92 (Amend Sec. 1351.02(b) "Contractor's License") was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Cotton moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Buckley.

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

2. Ordinance C-57-92 (Amend Sec. 1305.11(a) "New Bldg. Permit Fees") was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Cotton moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Buckley.

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

3. Ordinance C-58-92 (Accept plat of Meadow Grove, Sec. 9) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on July 20, 1992.

4. Ordinance C-59-92 (Accept plat of Stringtown Connection, Reserve A) was given its first reading and Mr. Cotton moved that the Rules of Council be suspended and the waiting period waived; seconded by Mr. Buckley.

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

Mr. Cotton moved that this ordinance be approved as an emergency; seconded by Mr. Buckley.

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

5. Resolution CR-33-92 (Approve building modifications for State Savings Bank in Historical Preservation Area) was given its reading and public hearing and Mr. Cotton moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Buckley.

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

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

1. Ordinance C-56-92 (Amend Codified Ordinances to include new Section 726 "Recycling & Yard Waste") was given its 2nd reading and public hearing and Mr. Mountain moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Buckley.

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

2. Resolution CR-34-92 (Authorize Admin. Asst. to grant a storm sewer easement) was given its reading and public hearing and Mr. Mountain moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Ferguson.

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

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

1. Ordinance C-60-92 (Appro. \$13,595 from General Fund for Current Expenses) was given its first reading and since it appropriates for current expenses, Mr. Buckley moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Ferguson.

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

2. Ordinance C-61-92 (Appro. \$25,000 from the General Fund.. for the current expense of Prisoner Housing) was given its first reading and since it appropriates for current expenses, Mr. Buckley moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Ferguson.

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

3. Ordinance C-62-92 (Appropriate \$55,000 from General Fund for the current expense of Police Overtime) was given its first reading and since it appropriates for current expenses, Mr. Buckley moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Mountain.

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

4. Resolution CR-35-92 (Approve budget estimates for Fiscal Year 1993) was given its reading and public hearing and Mr. Buckley moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Mountain.

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

President Buzby asked that any New Business to be brought before Council, be done so at this time.

1. Mr. Tim Hall - Asked about the party that occurred at Beulah Park on June 20. He wanted to know if council was aware of it before it took place. President Buzby answered no. Mr. Hall asked if the Chief of Police was conducting an investigation? Chief McKean replied that he was. Mr. Hall asked when that report would be completed? Chief McKean said he hoped to have it finished by this time next week. Mr. Hall asked if at the next Council meeting he would be able to give some idea as to which way the City of Grove City would be going in regard to charges against Beulah Park and Abe Amira? Chief McKean indicated that criminal charges have already been filed against Mr. Abe Amira.

Mayor Stage commented that the entire incident was filled with deceit. He said he was not aware of the event until he received a call at 11:30 the evening of the party. He said he went over to Beulah Park, found Abe and asked him to shut down. Mr. Amira obliged and the Mayor had one of the police officers site him for disturbing the peace. Mayor Stage indicated that Mr. Amira was to appear in Mayor's Court this evening and did not. A warrant for his arrest has been issued.

President Buzby recognized Mayor Stage for his Monthly Report.

1. Mayor Stage gave his monthly financial report and requested it be approved.

Mr. Buckley moved to accept the Mayor's Monthly Report; seconded by Mr. Ferguson.

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

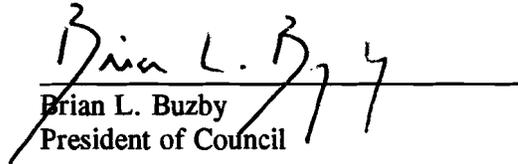
President Buzby recognized the Mayor, members of administration and council for closing comments.

1. Mayor Stage commented on the Fourth of July Celebration. He said it went extremely well. There were about 15,000 to 20,000 people, traffic cleared out in half hour/40 minutes and he expressed his thanks to Barry and Chief McKean. He thanked Chief Jahn for speaking to Council this evening and informed Council of a meeting held on June 30, 1992 between Administration and Jackson Township. He indicated that it did not go as well as they had hoped. He said he didn't think that the community has realized that when the new station is in-place on Ohio Avenue, the Hoover Road station will be closed even though it is so close to two two Senior Citizen Housing complexes and two rest homes. The Administration is still opposed to this. Other news included the announcement of a new Paddy Wagon for the Police Department, the addition of a flag pole at Winsor Park compliments of the Lioness Club, and showed a hand carved figure/name plate he received from Mr. Max Reed of Bennett Insurance. On the base is a lamplighter, an old fashioned streetlight and Ike all carved from plastic.
2. Mr. Babbert announced that the Homecoming Weekend will be July 24, 25, 26 and the street concert will be on the 24th. Also, on August 8, 1992 this years Mud Volleyball event will be held to support Meals on Wheels. In addition, donations were taken at the door for Meals on Wheels at the Fourth of July Celebration and approximately \$2,000 was collected.
3. Mr. Ferguson asked Administration if they would have a report to Council before the July 20, 1992 meeting regarding the fire issue. Mayor Stage said that hope to have something to Council by Thursday, 7/16/92.

4. After additional comments from Administration, the Chamber and Council, Mr. Buckley made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Mountain. Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 8:45 p.m.


Tami K. Kelly
Clerk of Council


Brian L. Buzby
President of Council