

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

July 07, 2003

Regular Meeting

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

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

Vaughn Radi Bob Hatley Maria Klemack Budd Eversman Bill Saxton

1. Mr. Eversman moved to dispense with the reading of the previous meeting minutes and approve as written; seconded by Mr. Radi.

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Saxton	Yes

2. President Klemack, on behalf of Council and Mayor Grossman, read a joint Resolution to Chief James R. McKean for his service to the community. After 28 years, Jim retired as Chief of Police on June 28, 2003. The Mayor presented the Chief with a plaque and his retired weapon. Also providing commendations to Chief McKean were State Representative Larry Wolpert and Senator Steve Stivers.

President Klemack then recognized the Mayor for two other presentations. The Mayor presented two proclamations to the Parks & Recreation Department. The first was for National Aquatic Week and the next for Parks & Recreation Month. Ms. Kim Conrad, Dir. of Parks & Rec. presented Council and the Mayor with new t-shirts. She said they would be giving these away at some of the events this month.

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

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

1. Ordinance C-51-03 (Approve the Rezoning of 83± acres located east of Broadway and south of Hoover Park Subdivision from SF-1 to PUD-R) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. John Hanks, Homewood Corp., with Linda Menerey and John Lind were present. Mr. Saxton reviewed the two stipulations set by Planning Commission, which Mr. Hanks agreed to. Mr. Saxton voiced concern over the square footage of the single-family homes. Mr. Hanks stated that they have agreed to 1,800 sq. ft. for a ranch and 2,000 sq. ft. for all others, which is in the Development Text – attached to the Development Plan. Mr. Saxton stated they would like to have that added to the Zoning Text as well. Mr. Hanks agreed. Mr. Saxton voiced concern over approving zoning for a condominium component without having square footages or garages in the zoning or development text. Mr. Hanks stated that they deliberately left the condo language open because they will be coming back before Planning Commission

and Council with separate Prelim. & Development Plans for that portion of the project. However, they are willing to commit to the same square footages approved for Centex (just to their east), which were 1,400 sq. ft. for a ranch, 1,600 sq. ft. for a 1 ½ story and 1,700 sq. ft. for a 2-story. Mr. Saxton stated he wanted all condo units to have a two-car garage. Mr. Hanks stated that they were willing to commit to 2/3rds 2-car garages and 1/3rd 1-car garages, as they believe there are many single people who would only want/need a one-car garage. *Mr. Eversman* asked if the condo units would have basements. Mr. Hanks stated that basements would be offered as an option. He emphasized the Homewood is a single-family homebuilder, and while they have built condo's in the past, they are not sure they want to get into this market right now. Mr. Eversman stated that he agreed with Mr. Saxton, but might find it acceptable to have a 1-car garage if the unit had a basement. Otherwise, we are inviting possible storage issues. *Mr. Radi* agreed that he would accept nothing other than 100% 2-car garages. He then asked about some of the lot sizes. During the Preliminary Plan, it was stated that 70-foot wide lots would not be acceptable. He stated that even though the request is a PUD-R, he asked Mr. Clark, Dir. of Law, if it wasn't true that the minimum standards must be equal to R-1. Mr. Stage, City Admin., stated that it is not specific. It is ok to meet the residential zoning. Mr. Eversman pointed out that the Code is specific and showed the Table that states residential lots must be a minimum of R-1. Mr. Radi stated that this zoning and plan would have to be corrected to show 80' wide lots. Mr. Hanks asked if the development to the east had smaller lots. Mr. Stage stated that is probably correct, but part of their zoning was straight zoning. Mr. Hanks stated that they would be willing to remove the 70' wide lots, but there will be some left at 75' wide. Mr. Saxton reiterated Mr. Radi's comment that he would not accept anything less than 80' lots. Mr. Saxton went on to express his disapproval of the stretch of 70 - 75' wide lots as you enter the subdivision from Broadway. Mr. Hanks said they would take out the 70' lots and commit to the smallest being 75' wide. Mr. Saxton stated that this would not be acceptable to him either.

Mr. Scott Bucholtz, speaking for Natalie Drive area residents, expressed his desire to see 80' wide lots and was at the meeting when Council explained this to the developer before. His primary concern, however, is the safety for his neighborhood. He explained that there are nearly 40 children that live on a short stretch street that is not yet completed. It is his understanding that with this new subdivision plan and the development of the Boulevard, there is the intention to eliminate the curb cut his subdivision was to have, further north out to Broadway. This would change the traffic flow and bring everything down Natalie and must turn left on Haley to get access to this Boulevard and Broadway. He said Haley is six feet narrower than Natalie and isn't designed for this heavy traffic flow. It was never designed this way and that is why many of them chose to build on this end of their subdivision. He asked Council to consider making sure that the access in Hoover Park remain, even with the planned Boulevard, to allow access toward the west. *Mr. Stage* explained that there is a lot of history with regard to this exit. The original pattern would have brought traffic north through the Hoover Park Subdivision to access Broadway. He showed the full history and pattern on an aerial map. Because of the distance between the north cut to Broadway and Rensch Road, it made the intersection dangerous. Moving it down will be safer. Further discussion took place on the traffic flow and the curb cuts. Mr. Bucholtz stated that he didn't feel it was safest to have one exit for a subdivision that stretches two miles wide. *Mr. Keller*, City's Consulting Engineer, stated that they did look for the safest position for a curb cut to Broadway. The Mayor asked him to explain about ODOT's standards, which Mr. Keller explained that ODOT owns the right-of-way and would have to approve any curb cuts out to Broadway. He explained that they have distance requirements, which are based on the speed limit of the road and other factors. Mr. Eversman stated that since we don't control those, would the City oppose two curb cuts if ODOT approved it. Mr. Stage said yes, because of safety.

Mr. Mike Phillips, Mayfair Dr., questioned the 40-foot easement shown on the drawing and asked what assurances they have that the road would not get extended through that easement. Mr. Stage stated that the City heard they Township residents loud and clear on this issue, when they had a meeting with them some time ago. Mr. Hanks stated that it was the Fire Dept. who required a 40' easement. They only need 20' to put in the water line, but provided what the Fire Dept. wanted. Mr. Phillips questioned the Tree Reserve. Ms. Menerey showed the small area to be retained on a map. Mr. Phillips stated that he was under the impression that the Reserve was bigger and those trees beside his home would remain. He asked how he could prevent those from being removed. The Mayor said the only way to prevent that would be for him to purchase the property. She said the City does have a good Landscape Code and a tree survey would need to be taken. Any tree 6" in diameter or larger is to be preserved, if possible. Mr. Saxton stated that one a Development Plan is brought in for this portion of the development, they could also require a heavy landscape buffer along that property line.

Ms. Sue Barnes, Hoover Park resident, voiced her concern over the curb cuts out to Broadway. She stated there are 3,500 homes with only one curb cut out to a primary road. She can't think of any other subdivision in the City that has only one exit or has to go through another subdivision to get out. She suggested this Boulevard be moved further south to make room for a second curb cut to the North. Mr. Stage stated that this was not an easy decision, referenced the configuration of Meadow Grove and Grant Run, and reiterated their reasoning for this road design. He said eventually it would be an intersection with a streetlight.

Mr. Saxton reviewed the additional stipulations that Council had expressed. Those being: Condo Units to have a minimum of 1,400 sq. ft. for ranches, 1,600 sq. ft. for 1 ½ story and 1,700 sq. ft. for 2-story; all condos to have 2-car garages; all lots be 80' wide. Mr. Hanks stated that he would not agree to 100% 2-car garages or the 80' wide lots.

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

Mr. Hatley	No
Ms. Klemack	No
Mr. Eversman	No
Mr. Saxton	No
Mr. Radi	No

- 2. Ordinance C-53-03 (Accept the Annexation of 2.294 acres located at 4300 Grove City Road) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Steve Bowshier, filling in for Joe Hull, attorney for petitioner, was present.

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

Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Saxton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes

3. Resolution CR-44-03 (Approve the Development plan of Holton Run Subdivision, located East of Broadway) was given its reading and public hearing and Mr. Saxton moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Eversman.

Mr. Eversman	No
Mr. Saxton	No
Mr. Radi	No
Mr. Hatley	No
Ms. Klemack	No

4. Resolution CR-47-03 (Approve the Development Plan for Gallucci Homes located north of S.R. 665 and east of Borrer Road) was given its reading and at the agent's written request, Mr. Saxton moved it be postponed until 7/21/03; seconded by Mr. Eversman.

Mr. Saxton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes

5. Resolution CR-48-03 (Approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Exterior Building Modifications to Grove City Hardware located at 3989 Broadway in the Historical Preservation Area) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Dan McSweeney, representing Hardware Store, was present.

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

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Saxton	Yes

6. Resolution CR-49-03 (Approve the Development Plan for Margie's Cove located at the northwest corner of Hoover and Orders Roads) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Brad Ettore, developer, was present. Mr. Saxton reviewed the remaining stipulations set by Planning Commission and Mr. Ettore agreed to all of them, except for #8 & #10. He said they have a new bike path plan that is inconsistent with the wording in #8. As for #10, Mr. Ettore said it was his clear understanding that he was to receive reimbursement for engineering for a portion of the road and \$100,000.00 for the road right-of-way. Mr. Saxton stated that Mr. Stage only offered \$30,000.00 for the right of way. Mr. Ettore said if Council is o.k. with the \$100,000.00 then Mr. Stage said he would agree to it. Mr. Saxton stated that he didn't feel that Council should pay him more than he paid for the ground. Mr. Saxton said he knew that Mr. Ettore only paid \$15,500.00/acre. The right-of-way is about two acres and it is unnecessary for Council to pay more than what was paid for the ground. Mr. Ettore stated that he agreed to put in 900 feet of street, if he received \$100,000.00 for the ground. Mr. Saxton stated that it was his understanding that the City would pay for the over sizing for the road. Mr. Ettore said that was also true. Mr. Saxton asked what he found out about moving the electrical poles out of the roads. Mr. Ettore said the pole at New Orders Road and Hoover is

in the existing right-of-way of the City and the City will need to have that moved. The other one at Johnboy Court & Orders will be at the cost of the developer. Mr. Eversman suggested that this be postponed until these issues can be worked out. Mr. Stage said he is o.k. with the City accepting responsibility for the removal of the one pole. Mr. Ettore said he would agree to the \$30,000.00 compensation for the right-of-way. *Mr. Eversman* referenced stipulation #4 from Planning Commission and stated that Lots 90 & 92 should also be included in the deed restriction. *Mr. Stage* requested that a Developer's Agreement be executed with the City. Reason being, to make sure all these details have been going through this evening are taken care of. *Ms. Kelly*, Clerk of Council, reviewed the additional stipulations that Council has discussed so far. There was a question as to whether the Developer's Agreement needed to be approved by Council. Mr. Eversman asked if there needed to be a reference about the \$30,000.00 payment and the pole responsibility. Mr. Hatley agreed that someone needed to review that. Mr. Stage said the Developer's Agreement would spell out who was paying for what. *Mr. Hatley* stated that as it stands now, the City would pay \$30,000.00 for the land for the extension of New Orders Road. The over sizing of that road, the city is paying for, for Mr. Ettore's 900 foot portion. Mr. Stage said that was correct.

Mr. David Hellard, Orders Road Resident, expressed support for the development. He said he is impressed with the cooperation by Mr. Ettore. Mr. Ettore met with 8 of the 10 residents who face this development on Orders Road. Seven of those residents approved this plan. They feel it is a sound project and asked Council to put the necessary money in the budget to extend the road.

Mr. Mike Widner, Orders Rd. Resident, stated that he was the descending vote in the meeting at Mr. Hellard's home. He said he is the only one who would look into the back of five homes, with a four-foot mound and some landscaping. He then quoted a section of the Code that stated a home is not allowed to front two streets, which he believes these do. Also, he doesn't want to see any vinyl on these homes. He wants a deed restriction that requires natural materials. He suggested that these homes be turned to face Old Orders Rd or add better buffering and better exterior building materials. Discussion about adding to the mound and landscaping took place. *Mr. Eversman* asked about the Code section that was quoted. Mr. Stage stated that what it means is that you can only have one address. Mr. Widner asked if that was correct. *Mr. Boso*, Chief Bldg. & Zoning Official, read the Section (1101.05(b) - A lot shall not border more than one public street except at intersections & when one such border is on a limited access freeway.) Mr. Stage asked if was illegal to have a house back up to a street. Mr. Boso stated that based on this Code section, he would say yes. Further discussion took place about being able to see into the backs of homes and the distance that Mr. Widner's home set back from Orders Road. Mr. Saxton attempted to make a compromise with the developer. Mr. Ettore stated that the mound is four feet with trees on top of that, which brings it to about eight feet. He isn't sure what more they can do, as it is a solid line of trees now. Installing eight-foot trees is cost prohibitive. With patience, they will get that tall and fill in. The distance is more than a football field's distance between these homes. He said he is not opposed to putting a higher mound, but there is a grading issue for the watershed. Mr. Saxton stated that if there isn't a water issue, he would be willing to increase the mound and add a few more trees. Mr. Ettore wasn't sure about adding more trees. Mr. Saxton asked if he would be willing to work that out with the City's Urban Forester. Mr. Ettore said yes.

Ms. Kathleen Faught, Orders Rd., expressed her approval of the development and was pleased with Mr. Ettore. She said as planned, this would be part of a major east/west thoroughfare with an excellent development on either side. She feels this is the best thing that has come forward so far and doesn't want this passed up for something unknown.

Mr. Hatley stated that he agreed that some type of deed restriction to require natural materials should be in place. He said just because the lots are big doesn't necessarily mean that the houses are going to be nice. He asked if someone would be able to buy a lot and build a custom home. Mr. Ettore stated that it would be possible with one prospect, but the other two he is dealing with would keep it all themselves and not allow custom sites. Mr. Hatley asked what the price of the homes would be. Mr. Ettore said one particular builder said he would like to start at \$300,000.00. He said the layout is all designed to encourage builders to build the upscale homes. Mr. Hatley pointed out that once he sells this, his job is done and has not control on what types of homes the builders put in. Mr. Ettore agreed.

Mr. Radi asked about an easement shown on the plan at the rear of some of the homes. Mr. Ettore explained that this is for storm drainage and asked Kurt from Hockaden & Assoc. to further explain. Mr. Kurt Zissler stated that this would be for dry basins to be placed in some back yards to handle heavy rains. It would be a grass depression. Mr. Radi asked if there would be a dramatic slope. Mr. Zissler said no. It would be about a two-foot difference. Mr. Radi asked if the buyer would be informed of this. Mr. Zissler said the easement would be recorded on the plat. Mr. Radi stated that the ground seems to slope downward as you come north to south and he wants to make sure that with the elevation of Orders Road, the elevations of the properties just north of that are o.k. He asked what the difference in elevations would be coming from Orders Road to the back yards of Lots 79 - 92. Will there be a drop off? Mr. Zissler stated that the finished floors of those properties would be a couple feet higher than Orders Road (the finished grade around the house). Mr. Radi asked if the City has had an opportunity to review this to make sure there are no drainage problems. Mr. Mike Keller, EMH&T, stated that drainage issues were addressed and reviewed. In some ways this will improve the drainage for the area. Mr. Radi noted that it appeared that Lots 84 & 85 are in the 100 year floodplain and that lines intertwines with some of the homes. Mr. Zissler said that was correct. However, they would be applying for permits to take those out of the Floodplain. Mr. Hatley noted a letter from the Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District about drainage issues. Mr. Zissler stated that they are aware of that letter and those issues. They will be addressed in the final engineering.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Saxton moved that Section 1 be amended to include the following stipulations:

1. Lots 90 & 92 to have Deed Restriction disclosing the possibility of future ODOT widening at Hoover Road;
2. Minimum house size to be 2,000 sq. ft.;
3. Entire bike path plan to be determined by the City's Consulting Engineer;
4. A Developer's Agreement to be entered into with the City.

Seconded by Mr. Radi.

Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Saxton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes

Mr. Saxton moved it be approved, as amended; seconded by Mr. Eversman.

Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Saxton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes

7. Resolution CR-50-03 (Approve the Development Plan for Canaan Land Church Addition located at 2777 Gantz Road) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Joe Hammond, representing the Church, was present. Mr. Hatley asked what their start and finish dates were. Mr. Hammond stated that the building is on site and they plan to begin right away.

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

Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Saxton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes

8. Resolution CR-51-03 (Approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for American Health Network for the Removal of an existing Sign and the Installation of a New Sign located at 3154 Park Street in the Historical Preservation Area) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Warren Gard, representing the petitioner, was present.

There being no questions or comments, Mr. Saxton moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Eversman.

Mr. Saxton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes

9. Resolution CR-52-03 (Approve the Sign Request for Red Letter Journals located at 4086 Broadway in the Historical Preservation Area) was given its reading and public hearing.

Ms. Karen Dover, owner and petitioner, was present.

There being no questions or comments, Mr. Saxton moved it be approved; seconded by President Klemack.

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Saxton	Yes

The Chair recognized Mr. Radi, Chairman of the Safety Committee, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.

1. Ordinance C-61-03 (Amend Section 1101.08(b) of the Codified Ordinances of Grove City, Ohio titled Plan Content) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on July 21, 2003.
2. Resolution CR-53-03 (Authorize the Chief of Police and the City Administrator to Apply for Funding from the D.A.R.E. Grants Program) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Radi stated that this allows us to apply for a grant that would be up to a 50% match. Mr. Behlen, Dir. of Finance, stated that this particular grant typically provides for more than 50%.

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

Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Saxton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes

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

1. Ordinance C-43-03 (Amend Section 1103.05 of the Codified Ordinances of Grove City, Ohio titled Street Lighting Requirement and Maintenance) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Jim Blackburn, Dir. of Service, explained that he did find other Codes that did require the fire hydrants, but did not find one for the streetlights. However, sometimes you have to be first. There are a couple of communities attempting to get this passed at the same time. He said this would only cost a developer approx. \$200.00 per house.

Mr. Ron Clark, Erwin Ct., asked if anyone has called Columbus to see if this has put this in place yet. Mr. Blackburn read the Hilliard City Code section with regard to fire hydrants and stated that Chief DuCharme called Columbus to confirm that they do this also. Mr. Clark stated that if someone hits a light pole or hydrant now, don't we collect from the insurance company and would this stop that collection. Mr. Blackburn stated that we would still try to collect from the Insurance Companies but the have had trouble with this in the past. In addition, you don't always know how hit the pole or hydrant (hit & run). Mr. Clark asked why we just don't collect the money from the developer. Mayor Grossman stated that it takes about six to eight months to get a new pole, once it has been ordered. Mr. Clark asked what would happen if we get too large of a stockpile. Mr. Eversman stated that Council could deal with that at a later time. Mr. Hatley asked how many new poles are installed per year. Mr. Blackburn stated about 150. Mr. Hatley asked if there would be any problem with storage. Mr. Blackburn said no. Mr. Clark said it just doesn't seem morally right for the contractor to have to do this. Mr. Eversman commented that he doesn't have a problem with requiring the Fire Hydrants, but doesn't like being the street light requirement and doesn't feel this is the best way to handle that.

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

Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	No
Mr. Saxton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	No

2. Resolution CR-54-03 (Waive the Provisions of Section 520.07(b)3 of the Codified Ordinances for the Annual Homecoming Celebration on July 25, 2003 on the Streets of the Town Center) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Rick Brunton, Grove City Sertoma Club, was present. Mr. Eversman stated that the Grove City Foundation normally requests this permit and this is the first time for the Sertoma Club. He said the area has been reduced from past years and excludes the Graeters Plaza and that part of Park Street west of Broadway. He asked where the proceeds go. Mr. Brunton stated that must go to speech and hearing funding in the Grove City area; the STAR Program and many other places in Grove City.

Acting Chief Deskens stated that they have looked at the proposed area map that is attached to the Resolution and they are in agreement with it. He introduced Sgt. Lawless who has been in charge of the event for the last several years and they are pleased with the plan.

Mr. Radi commented that in his six years on Council he has voted no for this. He said he is not trying to ruin the party and feels Sertoma does good work, but he feels that it sends the wrong message to allow beer on the streets when 364 days out of the year it is illegal.

Mr. Stage requested an amendment to the Resolution, which Ms. Kelly read. Mr. Stage said we haven't done this in the past, but the City Administrator does have some liability.

Mr. Eversman moved to amend Section 1 to include: ". . . and authorizes the City Administrator to sign the necessary permits."; seconded by President Klemack.

Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Saxton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Eversman moved it be approved; seconded by President Klemack.

Mr. Saxton	No
Mr. Radi	No
Mr. Hatley	No
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes

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

1. Ordinance C-57-03 (Appropriate \$1,650.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Police Equipment) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Hatley moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Radi.

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Saxton	Yes

2. Ordinance C-58-03 (Appropriate \$31,437.50 from the Sewer Fund for the Current Expense of Reimbursing the City of Columbus for Tap Fees Collected) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Hatley moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Saxton.

Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Saxton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes

3. Ordinance C-59-03 (Appropriate \$1,500.00 from the Community Development Fund for the Current Expense of Neighborhood Bicentennial Programming) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mayor Grossman commented that this covered the expenses for the Grove City High School Band for their participation in the Red, White & Bicentennial Boom, where they were the lead off band.

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

Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Saxton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes

4. Ordinance C-60-03 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into a Contract with the Franklin County Soil and Water Conservation District for the Hellbranch Watershed Development Plan and Appropriate \$4,000.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Plan Development) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Hatley moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Saxton.

Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Saxton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes

5. Ordinance C-62-03 (Appropriate \$3,811.95 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 21, 2003.
6. Ordinance C-63-03 (Appropriate \$16,000.00 from the General Recreation Fund for the Current Expense of Recreation Programming) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on July 21, 2003.
7. Ordinance C-64-03 (Appropriate \$752,777.56 from the \$5.00 License Fee Fund for the Current Expense of the Reconstruction of Hoover Road from Milligan Grove to Orders Road) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on July 21, 2003.
8. Ordinance C-65-03 (Appropriate \$305,000.00 from the County Contribution Fund for the Current Expense of the Reconstruction of Hoover Road from Milligan Grove to Orders Road) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on July 21, 2003.
9. Ordinance C-66-03 (Appropriate \$720,000.00 from the Hoover Road/Orders Project Fund for the Current Expense of Reconstruction of Hoover Road from Milligan Grove to Orders Road) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on July 21, 2003.
10. Ordinance C-67-03 (Appropriate \$8,260.83 from the Sewer Fund to Pay a Proportionate Share of the Buckeye Sewer Agreement) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on July 21, 2003.
11. Ordinance C-68-03 (Accept the Donation of Reserve "A" of the Annabelle Robinson Subdivision) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on July 21, 2003.
12. Resolution CR-55-03 (Approve the Budget Estimates for Fiscal Year 2004) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Hatley commented that our current revenues were running at about 103% of our projections. When he asked Mr. Behlen about how June was coming and he said he didn't know yet. He said they talked about how our taxes are being reduced because of State legislation coming into effect. Senator Stivers commented that the State Budget was effective July 1 and there is now a uniform definition for municipal income. He said they made several changes, but for purposes of municipal income taxes it was to insure that it was defined the same. There are about 1,800 municipalities in the State, with slightly different definitions. That caused real hassles for business people operating in multiple municipalities. He said he doesn't know how we are losing, since he doesn't know what are definition was. Mr. Behlen explained that we defined it as the gross income. With the new definition, there are ways to shelter money (like 401K plans) that now cannot be taxed. Mr. Behlen and Senator Stivers discussed the effect that this legislation will have on all communities and specifically the loss for Grove City. Senator Stivers said he is willing to work with Grove City for any long-term effects this bill may have. Mr. Hatley commended Mr. Behlen for putting the Budget Estimates together. He said it is very tight. We have a good base, but what can be done to cut, if we need to. Mr. Behlen stated that this Estimates has all the Capital Projects within our capacity shown. As time goes on, they will reevaluate those Capital Improvements. Mr. Eversman pointed out that this is just the Estimate that is required by the State and the final Budget won't be complete until December.

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

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Saxton	Yes

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

There being no new business, the Chair recognized members of Administration and Council for closing comments.

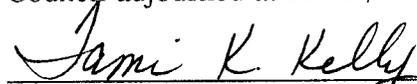
1. Mayor Grossman submitted the Mayor's Monthly Report and Mr. Hatley moved to accept same; seconded by Mr. Eversman.

Mr. Saxton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes

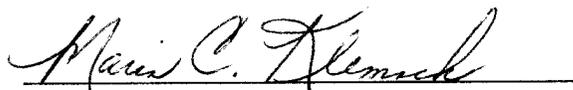
In closing, the Mayor reported that the YMCA has been opened for a month now and has sold 1,000 units. Much more than expected. She reported on upcoming events.

2. Mr. Stage commented that this is Mr. Brian Lorenz's last Council Meeting as he has taken a position with a private firm and will be leaving in a couple of weeks. Everyone wished Brian well. Mr. Stage also commented on a letter about the sidewalk ramps that stated we were taking too long to fix them. He said the City would be objecting to that complaint. He said he has told the Attorney General that we have inconvenienced our residents, including those impaired, long enough and have not been able to add any new ramps at all because of this suit and the rebuilding of existing ramps. He then deferred comments about having open alcohol in the streets, since the Resolution was denied. Acting Chief Deskins stated that this issue has been dealt with for many years and the #1 issue is to keep the community safe. He said they would adjust and get a new plan together, based on the decision tonight as they fully expected this to pass. The event has been a good one and the police have always been able to achieve voluntary compliance. President Klemack asked for a report after the event, which Acting Chief Deskins said he would take care of.
3. Mr. Radi congratulated Acting Chief Deskins and also congratulated Jim McKean. He expressed many kinds words for the Chief and wished him well in his retirement.
4. After additional comments from Council and other Administrative staff members, a motion to adjourn was approved by unanimous consent.

Council adjourned at 11:27.



Tami K. Kelly, CMC/AAE
Clerk of Council



Maria-C. Klemack
President