

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

July 21, 2008

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Berry 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 Ted Berry Mike Uhrin Greg Grinch

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

Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes

2. President Berry recognized the Mayor who turned the floor over to Chief Wise for Presentations. Chief Wise, with the assistance of Betty Evans & Bill Cady, awarded Officer Doug Fraley with the "Lightening" Evans Officer of the Year Award. Next, Gary Browning was recognized as the Civilian of the Year. He then presented the Community Service Awards to Laurie Grener & Gary Hilles. The Chief's Award was given to Sgt. Chris White and another to Derrick Caudill. Finally, a Life Saving Award was presented to Officer Kevin Holmstrom.

President Berry recognized Mr. John Merit, Cols. Metro Parks, who gave a presentation on their desire to connect Grove City to the Metro Parks system, with the park ground along the Scioto River. Timing is right for their consideration, as they have a levy on the ballot this fall. He said we have a good place for them to start a new Metro Park. He clarified that Metro Parks is an independent agency and not part of any city government. He said they are just looking for general support. Mayor Stage said they have had a few discussions with John and believe this property can't go very far without some outside assistance. He said they are in support of this and suspect the park could increase to connect the Riverward subdivision. President Berry said all Council Members are interested and said there is general support. He suggested that Mr. Merit work with the administration to put together a plan.

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

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

1. Ordinance C-65-08 (Appropriate \$13,000.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Council Chamber Renovations) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Uhrin moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Corbin.

Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes

2. Ordinance C-67-08 (Appropriate \$25,500.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Legal Representation for the Town Center Development Project and to Authorize the City Administrator to enter into a Contract w/Squire, Sanders & Dempsey) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Smith, Dir. of Law, explained that this and the next ordinance are to secure Legal Counsel for the Lumber Yard project and while they look the same C-67-08 is for Bond Counsel and C-68 is for Contract work. He said the two firms have a history of working together on these types of projects. Mr. Uhrin clarified that this work is in addition to there regular fees. Mr. Smith said yes.

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

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes

3. Ordinance C-68-08 (Appropriate \$15,500.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Legal Representation for the Town Center Development Project and to Authorize the City Administrator to enter into a Contract w/Schottenstein, Zox & Dunn) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Uhrin moved it be approved; seconded by Ms. Klemack-McGraw.

Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

4. Ordinance C-69-08 (Appropriate \$12,220.00 from the Community Environment Fund for the Current Expense of purchasing Recycle Bins) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Uhrin moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Corbin.

Mayor Stage noted that they have a new recyclable bag that is very popular that they may buy more of also.

Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes

5. Ordinance C-70-08 (Appropriate \$173,852.00 from the Sewer Fund for the Current Expense of the Haughn Road Area, Phase 1 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Uhrin moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Grinch.

Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes

6. Ordinance C-71-08 (Appropriate \$380,000.00 from the General Fund for the Purchase of a Fee Simple Interest in 10.47+ acres located East of Broadway and North of Ventura for the Improvement and Extension of Windsor Park) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Corbin requested that he be excused from the vote and the room for this item. President Berry moved to excuse Mr. Corbin; seconded by Mr. Uhrin.

Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes

President Berry asked the Mayor for an outline. Mayor Stage referenced an article from 1953 about increasing Windsor Park. He said it is the busiest Park in the City. The significance of this new piece of property is the connectivity it will give the Park to Broadway. The projected timeline for development is two to three years. He read the article and noted that Ernest Plank, one of those proposing the park, is still living. He wants him here for the opening of the addition. President Berry asked about the sale price. It was noted that it is lower than the appraised value.

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

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes

7. Ordinance C-72-08 (Make Various Fund Transfers in Order to Post 2007 Audit Adjustments to the Financial Records of the City) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Turner explained that these simple adjustments and are needed before the Post Audit meeting can take place.

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

Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

8. Ordinance C-73-08 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into an Agreement to Purchase a Fee Simple Interest in 1.9987+ acres located at 4649 Haughn Road for the Improvement and Extension of the Park located at Hoover Park and Appropriate \$180,000.00 from the General Fund for said Purchase) was given its second reading and President Berry moved it be postponed to August 4; seconded by Ms. Klemack-McGraw.

Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes

- Ordinance C-77-08 (Appropriate \$27,646.08 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of The Groves Phase 3 Storm Sewer) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on August 4, 2008.
- Resolution CR-41-08 (Authorize the City Administrator to File an Application with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission to Acquire Funds through the MORPC-Attributable Federal Funding Program for the I-71 & SR665 Interchange & Corridor Improvements) was given its reading and public hearing.

Ms. Richard commented that this is one of two Resolutions to submit requests for funding for the S.R. 665 Interchange. The second resolution includes the White Road project.

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

Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes

- Resolution CR-42-08 (Authorize the City Administrator to Seek Financial Assistance and Enter into and Agreements from the Ohio Public Works Commission) was given its reading and public hearing and Mr. Uhrin moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Grinch.

Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes

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

- Ordinance C-74-08 (Amend Chapter 1511 of the Codified Ordinances titled BOCA National Fire Prevention Code) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Corbin moved it be approved; seconded by Ms. Klemack-McGraw.

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes

- Ordinance C-78-08 (Amend Section 1135.09(b)(12)(G)(8) titled Group Family Homes and Group Multi-Family Homes) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on August 04, 2008.

The Chair recognized Ms. Klemack-McGraw, Chairman of Service, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.

1. Ordinance C-75-08 (Accept the Grove City Thoroughfare Map) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Ms. Klemack-McGraw moved that this Ordinance be amended to include the following: "WHEREAS, The Thoroughfare Map is a flexible planning document that will serve as a guide for the City to evaluate future development and growth."; seconded by Mr. Uhrin.

Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

The Mayor said we have done these for many years to anticipate where new Streets are needed. It is a guideline for Developers.

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

Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes

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

1. Ordinance C-61-08 (Rezone 4093 Broadway from R-2 to PSO) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Ms. Joanne Weitzel, owner, was present. She explained that all the concerns have been addressed, per Mr. Boso's list, except for the plugs in the siding; which have been ordered. Mr. Grinch asked Mr. Boso if he is satisfied. Mr. Boso said yes. There was a list of 16 items & they have worked hard to complete all but one. Mayor Stage thanked them for their diligence.

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

Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes

2. Ordinance C-76-08 (Approve a Special Use Permit for Outdoor Seating for Putt 'N Play Fun Center located on SW Corner of Killdeer & Thistlewood Dr.) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Grossman, owner, was present and explained the seating area. Mr. Chuck Boso, Dir. of

Development, expressed support for project. Mr. Grossman thanked Chuck, Kyle and everyone for there assistance and support.

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

Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes

3. Ordinance C-79-08 (Authorize the City Administrator to take any and all necessary actions to Convey Certain Real Estate Property to the Grove City Improvement Corporation) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on August 4, 2008.

Mayor Stage commented that there is a pretty major employer who wants to remain in the Town Center. Transferring this property to the CIC puts it on the fast track.

4. Resolution CR-38-08 (Appeal the Decision of the Board of Zoning Appeals granting a Variance for a Sign for Speede Car Wash located at 1921 Stringtown Road) was given its reading and public hearing.

Ms. Kelly, Clerk of Council, explained that she received a phone call from Mr. Dorman and an e-mail stating that they have decided to replace the car wash panels in the existing monument sign with new ones and they have no objection with Council proceeding with the appeal to the variance they received from the BZA.

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

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Uhrin	Yes
Mr. Grinch	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes

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

1. Mr. Jack Perrigo, American Legion, explained that at the last Memorial Day, it was noted that the Veterans Memorial in the Grove City Cemetery needs replaced. He explained that they don't own land there, but have received a 99 year lease from the property owner. They have a draft for a new Monument and the estimate is \$7,000.00. He said the City has agreed to put in the foundation for the monument. He requested that Council put out the word that they are seeking donations. He mentioned the expenses they incur for the Flags on Stringtown each year and also noted that they paid for the Vets Memorial in front of City Hall. It was requested that the newspapers pick up on their request for donations and print who and where people could send donations.

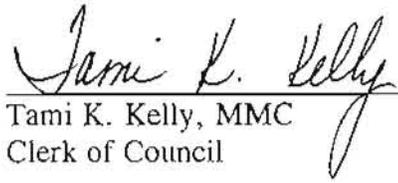
The Chair recognized members of Administration and Council for closing comments.

1. The Mayor commented on the Town Center meeting and noted the report is available on-line. He reported on the Amazing Race event, and that letters have been sent to business owners on Old Stringtown to explain the delay in this project. Mr. Keller, EMH&T, noted that they meet weekly

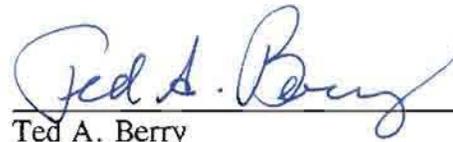
with the contractor to keep them moving. Mayor Stage also noted B107.9 held a Home Town Hero radio broadcast last Thursday at the Fire House. He honored Kelly Cotton as our Home Town Hero for her efforts with this year's Relay For Life.

2. After additional comments from Council and other Administrative staff members, a motion to adjourn was approved by unanimous consent.

Council adjourned at 9:15 p.m.



Tami K. Kelly, MMC
Clerk of Council



Ted A. Berry
President