

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

October 07, 2013

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Berry at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 4035 Broadway.

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

Jeff Davis Maria Klemack-McGraw Ted Berry Steve Bennett Melissa Albright

1. Ms. Klemack-McGraw moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the previous Regular and special meetings and approve as written; seconded by Ms. Albright.

Mr. Davis	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Albright	Yes

2. The Chair read the agenda items and they were approved by unanimous consent.

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

1. Ordinance C-67-13 (Authorize the purchase and Appropriate \$127,000.00 from the General Fund for 3465 Grove City Road and related expenses) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Smith clarified that the purchase price of the property is \$117,000.00 and \$10,000.00 is the demolition estimate. It was noted that it may cost less than \$10,000.00 for the demolition.

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

Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Albright	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes

The Chair recognized Mr. Davis, Chairman of Safety, for discussion and voting under said Committee.

1. Ordinance C-70-13 (Authorize the Charitable Solicitations Board to Issue a Permit to the Ohio Newsboys Association, Inc. per Section 371.06(b)(2) of the Codified Ordinances) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on Oct. 21, 2013.

The Chair recognized Ms. Albright, Chairman of Service, for discussion and voting under said Committee.

1. Resolution CR-47-13 (Intent to Appropriate a Fee Simple Interest in 0.188+acres from Stanley M. and Marjorie S. Eakin for the Improvements to the intersection at Demorest Road and Southwest Blvd.) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Smith, Dir. of Law, explained that the area being acquired is for a small triangular piece to facilitate the turn lane from Demorest to Southwest Blvd. He and Mr. Boso have been in contact with the daughter of the property owner. They are in negotiations but this resolution is a precautionary measure.

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

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Albright	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes

The Chair recognized Ms. Klemack-McGraw - Chairman of Lands & Zoning, for discussion and voting under said Committee.

1. Ordinance C-68-13 (Accept the Annexation of 0.505+ acres located at 2416 White Road in Jackson Township to the City of Grove City) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Joe Hull, attorney for petitioner, was present to answer any questions. He said the owners desire city services – sewer and water.

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

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Albright	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

Council Members and the Mayor recognized Mr. Hull at this time for all his service to the community. Mr. Hull is planning to retire at the end of the year.

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

1. Mr. Jeff Bryson, representing Lifecare Alliance, thanked the City for all their assistance with Meals-On-Wheels and Lifecare Alliance. They appreciate all we do. He announced that they are expanding into Marion County next year. He mentioned that they stand to lose over \$100,000.00 in funding next year and will be looking for assistance to make that up.
2. Mr. Jim Downing, resident, thanked Council for appropriating money to have the home on Santa Maria torn down in July. He said they are still waiting for this to be done. He believes the Mayor and City Attorney are on a parallel path to have it rehabilitated rather than torn down. He said he doesn't understand why, but Mike Boso has been helping them. He said he doesn't know how Council runs and asked if the Mayor can just overrule all their votes?

Mr. Boso, City Admin.; explained that he, the Mayor and Chief Building Official had a discussion on this Friday. He said they did try to work through the County to try to get the home rehabilitated (instead of having an empty lot to deal with) and get it to a Sheriff's Sale at an expedited pace. However, expedited to the County was four (4) more months. So, on Friday the Mayor decided to move forward and tear it town. We do have bids in-house and the project will probably be awarded by next month. Mr. Downing asked if it will now be torn down. Mr. Boso said yes, it will be torn down.

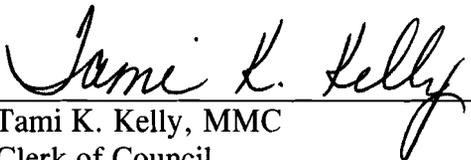
Mr. Berry asked when it will be torn down. Mr. Boso said probably in the next 30 days. He said the delay was probably his fault. Their first choice was to get it rehabbed so there wasn't an empty lot in a neighborhood that we would have to continue to take care of. It didn't work out, so the building will come down and he apologized for the delay.

3. Mary Shaw, resident, said she is hearing some good ideas are brewing about Beulah Park and wondered if those thoughts and designs were true. Mayor Stage asked her if she had a copy of the Framework that the Administration put together. Ms. Shaw said she could not find it on the website. Mayor Stage said they would get her a copy. Mr. Berry said at some point, there would be a special meeting of Council to discuss Beulah Park.

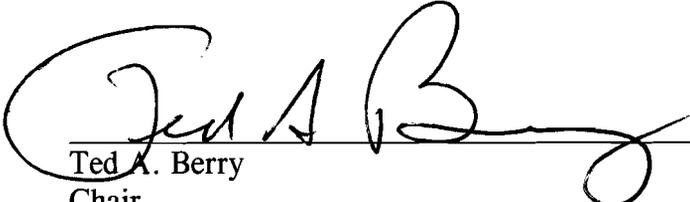
The Chair recognized members of Administration and Council for closing comments.

1. Mayor Stage reported that the Blacksmith Shop opened Sunday at Century Village. He announced the State of the City Address will be tomorrow morning and copies of the handout will be available at City Hall.
2. After additional comments from Council and Administrative staff members, a motion to adjourn was approved by unanimous consent.

Council adjourned at 7:30 p.m.



Tami K. Kelly, MMC
Clerk of Council



Ted A. Berry
Chair