

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

November 4, 2002

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 and the Pledge of Allegiance, roll was called and the following members were present:

Vaughn Radi Bob Hatley Maria Klemack Bill Saxton

1. Mr. Radi moved to excuse Mr. Eversman; seconded by Mr. Saxton.

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

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

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

3. President Klemack recognized Ms. Debbie Stith, Director of the G.C. Area Visitors and Convention Bureau, who gave an Annual Report to Council. She stated that they have been in a very enviable position this year with the Bed Tax. They have seen an increase in this revenue, when most of the Visitor's Bureau's in Ohio and every one in the Columbus suburbs have experienced a decline. They worked with eight (8) event planners this year to book rooms in Grove City. They completed an audit on FY2001 and they updated their Website. Hits on the Website last year were 400 hits per day. This year, they are receiving over 100,000 hits per month. They have done a lot of advertising and several were placed in regional markets, for the first time. They were able to secure a rebate on their advertisements from the State of Ohio, through a program offered. They have also worked with some of the hotels for advertising co-ops. Mayor Grossman commented that as a result of the overwhelming interest in the Sesquicentennial Museum, the City has set up a Museum Committee to explore the possibility of a permanent Museum to attract visitors to Grove City. She stated that they would be looking to the GCVCB & Community Development Fund for funding. Mr. Hatley thanked Ms. Stith for her report and asked her what we are doing different. Ms. Stith said there are several things we are doing that other Visitor's Bureau's are not. One is, every time the Columbus Convention & Visitors Bureau sends out a request to hotels for a block of rooms, GCVCB & our hotels receive that also. She said they have worked closely with the Columbus CVB and that has paid off. Mr. Stage commented that 48% of the rooms booked in blocks this year were a result of baseball/softball tournaments. Ms. Stith stated that the Nazarene Church is also a factor in the success. Mr. Saxton noted that he serves as a member of the GCCVB and suggested that the City and CVB co-op on some of their advertising. Ms. Stith stated that they do that with Arts-in-the-Alley.

4. President Klemack read the agenda items and moved to add Resolution CR-82-02, under Safety; seconded by Mr. Saxton.

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

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-84-02 (Approve the Rezoning of 74.7 acres located on the northwest corner of Orders and Haughn Roads from SF-1 to PUD-R) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Donald Plank, attorney for petitioner, requested that this item and Res. CR-78-02 be postponed until the next Council meeting. Mr. Saxton asked if there was any particular reason. Mr. Plank stated that his client requested this and he didn't inquire as to the reason. Mr. Stage, City Admin., said he didn't think we had much choice but to postpone - no changes. Mr. Plank said there would be no changes. Mr. Saxton commented that a lot of effort has been made to get it to this point. He said he would entertain one more postponement, but next time he wants to hear it. Mr. Plank thinks this is just a timing issue for his client.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Saxton moved it be postponed to 11/18/02; seconded by Mr. Radi.

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

2. Ordinance C-103-02 (Approve a Special Use Permit for CVS Pharmacy located at the Southwest Corner of Hoover Road and S.R. 665) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on November 18, 2002.
3. Ordinance C-104-02 (Approve the Rezoning of 19.684 acres located at the Northeast corner of Holt and Grove City Roads from SF-1 to R-1) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on December 16, 2002.
4. Resolution CR-78-02 (Approve the Development Plan for Claybrooke Crossing located on the northwest corner of Haughn and Orders Roads) was given its reading and as requested by Mr. Donald Plank, Attorney for petitioner, Mr. Saxton moved it be postponed to 11/18/02; seconded by Mr. Radi.

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

5. Resolution CR-79-02 (Approve the Development Plan for CVS Pharmacy located on the

Southwest corner of Hoover Road and S.R. 665) was given its reading and at the written request of the petitioner, Mr. Saxton moved it be postponed until 11/18/02; seconded by Mr. Hatley.

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

6. Resolution CR-80-02 (Approve the Portable Sign Request for the City of Grove City located at 4035 Broadway in the Central Business District) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Stage commented that this is a marketing tool to help promote Parks & Rec. activities.

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

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

7. Resolution CR-81-02 (Approve Amendments to the Development Plan for Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church located at 2213 White Road and approve a Certificate of Appropriateness) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Kevin Hoffman, architect for the church, was present and showed pictures of the three proposed changes from the original design Council approved for the church a few months ago. Those changes include: extending split-face block up to the gable; the removal of the accent band of block in the middle; and changes from three crosses to one cross. Mr. Saxton noted that he would appreciate the church considering putting the other two crosses back on the building, once the finances allow, at a later time.

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

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

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

1. Resolution CR-82-02 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into an Agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police/Ohio Labor Council, Inc., Police Dispatchers) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Behlen, Dir. of Finance, explained the changes to the contract and the process they went through to complete negotiations. The Dispatchers have voted and accepted this contract.

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

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Hatley	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Saxton	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-100-02 (Make Amendments to Sections 161.09 & 161.10 of the Codified Ordinances Titled Employment Provisions For City Employees) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Stage, City Administrator, explained that in the Annual Review of the City's employee grades, MORPC suggested these changes. They may have others in January.

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

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

2. Ordinance C-101-02 (Appropriate \$28,940.00 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.

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

3. Ordinance C-102-02 (Appropriate \$5,000.00 from the Community Development Fund for the Current Expense of a Grant to the Grove City High School Symphonic Band) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Ken Kimble, President of the GCHS Band Boosters, was present. He explained that just as the Rose Bowl Parade is the ultimate honor for a marching band, this is the ultimate honor for the symphonic band. Only five (5) bands in the country are selected. In order to keep costs down for the students, they are requesting assistance from the City. Mr. Hatley noted that the money being appropriated is coming from the Bed Tax.

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

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

4. Ordinance C-105-02 (Authorize the City Administrator to Sign a Sewer Agreement and to Appropriate \$43,205.18 from the Sewer Fund for the Current Expense of Development Costs associated with said Agreement and to declare an emergency) was given its first reading.

Mr. Stage explained that this is in conjunction with the CVS project on S.R. 665 & Hoover Road. They have been negotiating this with Skilken Properties, Inc. for several years and just received the final amount this evening.

Mr. Hatley moved that the amount in the ordinance be amended to \$33,804.01 and Section 1 be amended to add “. . . as may be revised without change to its substance, . . .”; seconded by President Klemack.

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

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Hatley moved that the Rules of Council be suspended and the waiting period waived; seconded by Mr. Saxton.

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

Mr. Hatley moved Ord. C-105-02 be approved as an emergency; seconded by Mr. Saxton.

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

5. Ordinance C-106-02 (Appropriate \$12,000.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Contract Plumbing Inspections) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on November 18, 2002.

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.

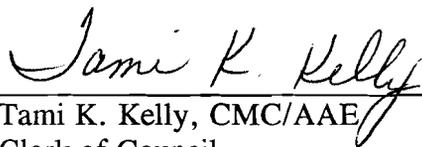
1. Mayor Grossman submitted the Mayor’s Monthly Report and Mr. Saxton moved it be accepted; seconded by Mr. Radi.

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

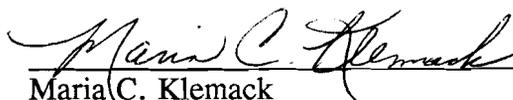
In closing, the Mayor reported that four (4) new police officers were sworn in this week. She reminded everyone of Veteran’s Day next Monday. There will be a ceremony in front of City Hall.

2. After additional comments from Council and other Administrative staff members, a motion was made to adjourn and seconded. Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 8:43 p.m.



Tami K. Kelly, CMC/AAE
Clerk of Council



Maria C. Klemack
President