

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO  
COUNCIL MINUTES

November 15, 2004

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Saxton 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:

*Rich Lester    Bob Hatley    Bill Saxton    Maria Klemack    Vaughn Radi*

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

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

2. The Chair recognized Mayor Grossman who recognized Messer's Larry and Terry Harder for designing and staffing this year's Haunted House for the Parks & Rec. Dept. in the old Lumber Yard Bldg. They raised over \$800.00 for the Parks & Rec. Scholarship Fund and will be featured in the Winter issued of the Community Guide. She also presented them with a Grove City Sweatshirt to show our appreciation. The Mayor also introduced Mr. Darryl Hughes, who will be taking over as Service Director upon Jim Blackburn's retirement at the end of the year.
3. The Chair read the agenda items and they were approved by unanimous consent.

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

1. Ordinance C-100-04 (Appropriate \$2,200.00 from the Drug Enforcement Fund for Current Expenses) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on 12/06/04.
2. Ordinance C-101-04 (Appropriate \$22,940.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Traffic Signal Repair and Replacement and Declare an Emergency) was given its first reading.

Mr. Hatley, explained that this was a result of an accident that occurred and the Dir. of Finance has requested an emergency, due to the need of getting the traffic signal operational immediately for the safety of the community.

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

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

Mr. Hatley moved it be approved as an emergency measure; seconded by Ms. Klemack.

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

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

1. Ordinance C-102-04 (Temporarily Amend Section 161.09 & 161.10 of the Codified Ordinances to Address the Staffing Levels for the Department of Public Service position and Declare an Emergency) was given its first reading.

Mr. Radi explained that this would create an Assistant Director of Public Service until the end of the year, in order to provide some training with Mr. Blackburn. The Code needs to be temporarily amended to allow this to take place.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Radi moved that the Rules of Council be suspended and the Waiting Period waived; seconded by Mr. Lester.

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

Mr. Radi moved it be approved as an emergency measure; seconded by President Saxton.

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

**The Chair recognized, Ms. Klemack, Chairman of Safety, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.**

1. Ordinance C-103-04 (Amend Section 725.07(a) of the Codified Ordinances titled Container Regulations) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on 12/06/04.
2. Ordinance C-104-04 (Repeal and Replace Chapter 1331 of the Codified Ordinances titled Plumbing Code) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on 12/06/04.

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

1. Ordinance C-98-04 (Authorize the Approval of a Pre-annexation Agreement with Certain Owners of 4.486 acres located at 2050 Holton Road) was given its second reading and at the written request of the

petitioner's agent, Mr. Lester moved it be postponed until 12/6/04; seconded by Ms. Klemack.

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

2. Ordinance C-99-04 (Approve the Plat of Creekside, Section 5, located North of Holton Road) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Lester moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Hatley.

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

3. Ordinance C-105-04 (Approve the Plat for Pinnacle Club, Section 2, Part 1, located south of White Road) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on 12/06/04.

4. Ordinance C-106-04 (Approve the Plat for Pinnacle Club, Section 2, Part 2, located south of White Road) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on 12/06/04.

5. Resolution CR-82-04 (Amend the Development Plan for Parkway Centre South to allow for Additional Signage for Charter One Bank, located at 1693 Stringtown Road) was given its reading and at the written request of the petitioner's agent, Mr. Lester moved it be postponed until 12/6/04; seconded by President Saxton.

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

6. Resolution CR-85-04 (Municipal Services that can be provided to a 0.505 acre parcel located at 2319 White Road upon its annexation to the City of Grove City) was given its reading and public hearing and Mr. Lester moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Radi.

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

7. Resolution CR-86-04 (Approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for Exterior Renovations to All Occasions, Inc. located at 4034 Broadway in the Historical Preservation Area) was given its reading and public hearing.

President Saxton stated that he had a question for the petitioner. There being no representation present, President Saxton moved it be postponed to 12/6/04; seconded by Mr. Lester.

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

8. Resolution CR-87-04 (Approve the Development Plan for The Pinnacle Club Community Center) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Chris Meyers, Architect, was present to answer any questions. Mr. Lester reviewed the two stipulations set by Planning Commission, which Mr. Meyers agreed to.

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

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

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

1. Mr. Richard “Ike” Stage expressed dissatisfaction in the condition of Buckeye Parkway, between Stringtown and White Roads. He submitted a letter and pictures to the Council Members and said it was an embarrassment. He said after spending three years on this project, he hates to see it in this condition. He said when all the details of this development was negotiated, one of the items, that they were very protective of, was that Buckeye Parkway( Stringtown to White Rds.) had to be done in a very immaculate way. One that states this was a signature drive, this is Grove City, and this is the way we want to develop. He said the landscaping and road was to be completed in Nov. or Dec. of last year. Before he left the City, he worked on an extension for the landscaping until May, 2004. With that extension, there was to be no blacktop put on as a final cap, all the curbs were to be videoed, bike paths and everything completed prior to the City paying and having the last cap put on. He said he doesn’t know why it wasn’t finished in May, but it is now November and it is embarrassing. In the pictures he provided, some of the material has been there for over three weeks. This is a City project, and typically this would not be allowed to happen if it were a private developer putting the street in. The city set aside 1.2 million dollars, including the design that is sitting out there as a flat out embarrassment. He said his purpose tonight is to remind Council of the major commitment made and as someone who was very heavily involved on how it was going to look, it is not close. He did comment that his letter might not be 100% accurate, as he only had his notes to refer to. *Mayor Grossman* commented that the road has not been turned over to the City yet and asked Mr. Blackburn to comment. *Mr. Blackburn* stated that there were timelines that weren’t met, but there were delays with the contractor and a lot of utility issues caused delays. *Mr. Hatley* asked what our timeline is now. *Mr. Keller, City’s Consulting Engineer*, said they just finished the final Punch List and expect the road to be accepted in the next couple of weeks. He also noted that there are other contractors, besides the City’s, on the road

and in the area. Mr. Hatley asked if there is an issue of the final cap of the road being put on prematurely. Mr. Keller said not really. If there are any cracks or damage to the cap, it will be corrected before the City accepts it. Mr. Blackburn stated that things are getting completed, just not

as quickly as they would like. Ironically, he just received a notice from SBC that they would like to run more conduit down Buckeye Parkway. *Mr. Stage* commented that he understands the delays but he doesn't understand the inexcusable condition of the road. You have a silt fence that has had concrete all over it for more than three weeks. This is the main parkway that goes to Pinnacle Golf Course. *Mr. Lester* commented that he knows that there are standby inspection fees and suggested that we turn some of our crews loose to clean some of this up, specifically the silt fence, and back charge their standby inspections fees or hold some of those fees. *Mr. Keller* said that was allowed and he will follow-up on that with the Chief Inspector this week.

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

1. Mayor Grossman reported on a tragic house fire over the weekend that could have taken the lives of the residents if it weren't for one of our officers who broke down the door and got them outside safely. She expressed her condolences to the family of Jean Joseph. The railroad crossing on Grove City Road has been sold to Ohio/Indiana Railroad and the PUCO has given them 30-days notice of the dangerous condition of the tracks. She hopes to see repairs soon. She and the Council Members welcomed Darryl Hughes to the staff.
2. After additional comments from Council and other Administrative staff members, a motion to adjourn was approved by unanimous consent.

Council adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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Tami K. Kelly, MMC  
Clerk of Council

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William E. Saxton  
President