

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

December 15, 2014

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 Laura Lanese

1. Ms. Klemack-McGraw moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the previous regular and special meeting and approve as written; seconded by Mr. Bennett.

Mr. Davis	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Lanese	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-76-14 (Appropriate \$2,200.00 from the Senior Nutrition Fund for Current Expenses) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mayor Stage said this goes to Meals on Wheels and they are happy to have brought in more money than estimated.

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. Lanese	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes

2. Ordinance C-77-14 (Reduce the Appropriation Amount for Various Funds) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Turner, Dir. of Finance, explained that this is to avoid an audit citation. We estimate certain amounts and when they don't come in as estimated, we need to reduce the amounts.

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

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

3. Ordinance C-78-14 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into an Agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police/Ohio Labor Council, Inc., Police Dispatchers) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Boso, City Admin., explained the contract changes. One change is to add a Step 6 in the payroll step system. In comparing to other communities, we are low. Other changes included: overtime can only be received if you are working full-time and not have any sick time in the week; tuition reimbursement increases a small amount.

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

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

4. Ordinance C-79-14 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into a Lease Agreement with Pitney Bowes) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Turner, Dir. of Finance, explained that this contract will save us a little money, especially with certified letter costs.

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

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

5. Ordinance C-80-14 (Make Appropriations for Current Expenses and Other Expenditures for which the City of Grove City must provide during the Twelve Months ending December 31, 2015) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mayor Stage shared highlights of the Budget. It allows the Director of Finance to make payments in 2015. He said they like to have a reserve and this provides for 60% coverage, which is more than past years. He thanked Chuck and Mike in assisting with the preparation of this Budget.

Mr. Berry commented that he shared concerns over police needs, especially in the commercial areas, at the Special Meeting. He said he knows there are some additions in this budget, but would like to review this in the first quarter of the year to see if any additional personnel are needed. Mayor Stage said he appreciates this. He noted that one officer will be transferred back from the Crime Unit and we are adding a canine unit next year.

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

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

- Ordinance C-81-14 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into multi-year Agreements with Time Warner Communications for Data Connectivity) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on January 05, 2015.

Mr. Bennett moved to add Resolution CR-77-14; seconded by Ms. Klemack-McGraw.

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

- Resolution CR-77-14 (Supporting the Modified Development Agreement as approved by the Southwest Public Libraries for the Development of the New Library) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Smith, Dir. of Law, stated that the Library approved the modified Agreement with some changes. He said they met and went through these and he has determined that they are non-material. Most are clarifications on parking spaces. They secure that 86 spaces will always be available; that they won't be off-street spots; they won't be existing spaces. In addition, if a parking garage is needed on Area 3, the Library must agree. It also allows for a radius of 300 feet around the new library to supply alternate parking spaces.

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

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

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

- Ordinance C-71-14 (Approve the Plat for Harrisburg Pike, Columbus Street and Alley located at 3959 – 3963 Broadway) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Ms. Klemack-McGraw said Council shared concerns over changing the name of this portion of the street to Columbus Street from Mill Street. However, Mill St. can be memorialized with a Historical Marker.

Mr. Smith explained that he and Mr. Boso have had numerous meetings with the parties involved to acquire the property needed for the parking and part of Columbus Street. He said it is their intention to have those agreements and an appropriation ordinance on the January 5 Council Meeting. He said they would be requested to be emergency measures because of timing issues associated with other contracts out of the City's control. He said this ordinance was not requested to be an emergency, but in order to keep the timing in place and wrap up all points, he asked that Council consider amending this to an emergency measure.

Ms. Karen Dover said she understands the reason for calling the extension Columbus Street, but she wanted everyone to know about the history. She shared a framed picture and explanation of the Mill that originally stood in this area. She hopes it can be recognized in some way and not lose that history.

There being no additional questions or comments, Ms. Klemack-McGraw moved that the Rules of Council be suspended and Waiting Period waived; seconded by Mr. Bennett.

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

Ms. Klemack-McGraw moved it be approved as an emergency; seconded by Ms. Lanese.

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

2. Resolution CR-66-14 (Approve the Development Plan for G. C. Dollar General located at 3065 Broadway) was given its reading and at the request of the petitioner, Ms. Klemack-McGraw moved it be postponed to 01-05-15; seconded by Mr. Davis.

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

3. Resolution CR-74-14 (Approve the Sign Request for Reality Executives located at 3841 Broadway in the Historical Preservation Area) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Warren Gard, represented the petitioner. Ms. Klemack-McGraw reviewed the stipulation set by Planning Commission. Mr. Gard said the petitioner would comply.

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

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

4. Resolution CR-75-14 (Approve the Sign Request for Tree of Life Chiropractic located at 3711 Broadway in the Historical Preservation Area) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Boso, City Admin; said this sign meets Code. The stipulation just reiterates the 8' height which is Code and there are no deviations.

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

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

5. Resolution CR-76-14 (Set forth the Municipal Services that can be furnished to 5.25 acres located South and East of Borrar Road in Jackson Township upon its Annexation to Grove City) was given its reading and public hearing and Ms. Klemack-McGraw moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Bennett.

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

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

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

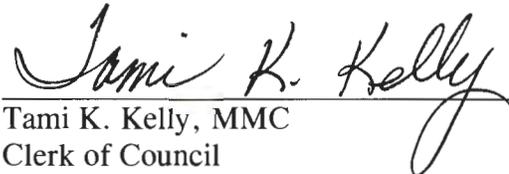
1. Mayor Stage submitted the Mayor's Court Report, which Mr. Berry moved be approved; seconded by Mr. Davis.

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

Mayor Stage reported that the Gantz Road Roundabout got approved by OPWC for a grant and interest free loan. He commented that the Christmas Parade went off without a hitch. The lights and animated scene are beautiful and to be rivaled by other communities. The burial for Joey Riley went well. His General came for the ceremonies. He wished everyone a blessed Christmas and Happy New Year.

2. Mr. Turner explained about the Administrative Subpoena process we instituted. This is to call people in to take care of their city taxes. It is a matter of being fair and consistent with all taxpayers.
3. After comments from Council and Administrative staff members, a motion to adjourn was approved by unanimous consent.

Council adjourned at 8:00 p.m.


 Tami K. Kelly, MMC
 Clerk of Council


 Ted A. Berry
 Chair