CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

September 04, 2007 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Lester at 8:04 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* *Rich Lester* *Richard Stage* *Ted Berry*

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

Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

2. President Lester read the agenda items and they were approved by unanimous consent.

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

1. Ordinance C-70-07 (Appropriate $2,159.15 from the Enforcement and Education Fund for Current Expenses) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Stage moved it be approved; seconded by Ms. Klemack-McGraw.

Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes

2. Ordinance C-71-07 (Appropriate $1,228.59 from the Street Fund for the Current Expense of Property Repair) second reading and public hearing and Mr. Stage moved it be approved; seconded by Ms. Klemack-McGraw.

Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes

3. Ordinance C-72-07 (Appropriate $24,000.00 from the Recreation Development Fund for the Current Expense of Improvements to Fryer Park/Discovery Frontier) second reading and public hearing and Mr. Stage moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Corbin.

Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes

4. Ordinance C-73-07 (Appropriate $40,404.00 from the Recreation Development Fund for the Current Expense of Improvements to the Grove City Skate Park) second reading and public hearing.

   Mr. Berry stated that he hoped that there would be a policy on how we are going to use video cameras; what is going to be posted where, how long the files are kept, and who has access to them.

   Mr. Stage commented that the issues and enhancements that are being suggested for the Skate Park are the same as we use for most of our parks. He said he would rather have a combined plan that shows how we are going to get water to Fryer Park and sun screens to the dugouts at Fryer Park, and some of the other items being suggested in this proposal.

   President Lester commented that he was at the Skate Park over the weekend and saw four adults utilizing the park. He said he struck up a conversation with them and found out that they had traveled from Cleveland to use the park. He said he asked them what they would add, if they could. He said a lot of these amenities are exactly what they suggested and what they see at other skate parks around Ohio. He said we have to look at each park as a part of the community, but individually, he believes this one has some amenities that are site specific.

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

Mr. Berry	No
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	No
Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	No

5. Ordinance C-75-07 (Appropriate $20,000.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Purchasing and Installing an Emergency Siren and to declare an emergency) was given its first reading.

   Mr. Stage referenced a letter from 9/6/06 speaking of a siren situation. That letter was referring to the Creekside area, not the Stringtown Road area. In addition, because the Township is also installing a siren in the community, we are not asking for their participation for this one, as has been done in the past.

   Mr. Berry asked if the entire city will be covered after this is one is installed. Mr. Hughes, Dir. of Service, said pretty well. There are some minor areas, but the populated areas are covered. Mr. Berry asked how the sirens run, in the event of a power outage. Mr. Hughes stated that they operate by battery. The A/C power is for charging.

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

Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

Mr. Stage moved it be approved as an emergency measure; seconded by President Lester.

Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes

6. Resolution CR-46-07 (Direct Franklin County to take the necessary steps to Collect Delinquent Taxes) was given its reading and public hearing.

Ms. Sharon Reichard, City Admin., explained that they recently had their Tax Incentive Review Committee Meeting with the County Auditor. The city had written to a few owners within the TIF and CRA areas concerning their delinquent taxes. The city was asked to send a second notice, which has been done, providing 30 day to get the taxes paid. This is part of the process and validating to the Auditor that we want them to go after the unpaid taxes.

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

Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes

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

1. Resolution CR-47-07 (Adopt an Underground Utilities Policy for the City of Grove City) was given its reading and public hearing and Ms. Klemack-McGraw moved it be withdrawn; seconded by Mr. Stage.

Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes

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

1. Ordinance C-74-07 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into an Agreement with Time Warner Communications for City Internet Access) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Berry pointed out that the Administration did provide comparables with another company and this is the cheaper company.

Mr. Stage asked that the Administration provide a report on whether or not this was offered to the Township as part of a bundle.

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

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes

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

1. Ordinance C-61-07 (Accept the Annexation of 1.125 acres located at the southeast corner of S.R. 665 and Hoover Road) was given its second reading and at the request of the petitioner's agent, Mr. Corbin moved it be postponed to 11/5/07; seconded by President Lester.

Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

2. Ordinance C-62-07 (Vacate a portion of a 20' easement located at 4757 Heycross Drive and being Lot 25 of Hoover Crossing, Section 6) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Corbin moved it be approved; seconded by President Lester.

Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes

3. Ordinance C-67-07 (Accept the Re-subdivision of Reserve B of Hoover Crossing, Section 1) was given its second reading and public hearing.

   There being no one present to discuss the issue, President Lester moved it be postponed to 9/17/07; seconded by Mr. Berry.

Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	No
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Corbin	Yes
Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes

4. Resolution CR-48-07 (Approve a Sign request for Premier Property Inspections located at 3797 Broadway in the Historical Preservation Area) was given its reading and public hearing.

   Mr. Corbin noted that there were three stipulations set by Planning Commission.

Mr. Stage commented that the last time we approved a HPA sign, we discussed this for almost 20 minutes. He said he is a little confused about the enforcement and direction we are giving people on signs. We hammer someone on the color red and let another illegal sit in the right-of-way for weeks. He said his comments are more of an editorial note.

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

Mr. Lester	Yes
Mr. Stage	Yes
Mr. Berry	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.

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

1. Ms. Reichard stated that they are working on a more comprehensive Capital Improvements Plan and a capital budget for next year.

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

Council adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Tami K. Kelly

Tami K. Kelly, MMC
Clerk of Council

Richard D. Lester
President