CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO

COUNCIL MINUTES

April 04, 2011 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Berry at 7:00 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:

Greg Grinch   Maria Klemack-McGraw   Ted Berry   Steve Bennett   Melissa Albright

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

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

2. Ms. Kelley Davidson, Police Common. Supervises, provided an update on the County Tornado Sirens. She also announced a new service for the residents. The City is contracting with a company to offer severe weather warning notifications. Unlike the tornado sirens, these warnings will focus on the Grove City area rather than the whole County. Residents must sign up to receive these warnings. A link will be placed on the City's website for residents to access and sign up. The system will send a voice message about warnings in our area. It will cost the City $1,000.00 per year.

3. 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-09-11 (Appropriate $3,000,000.00 from the Capital Improvement Fund for the Current Expense of Phase 3 of the I-71/SR665 Improvements) was given its second reading and public hearing.

   Mr. Honsey, City Administrator, explained that this is not new money. It is for cash flow for the project this year. Mr. Turner said this is the OPWC funding that we need to record on our books. We can't do that without a corresponding appropriation.

   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. Grinch	Yes

2. Ordinance C-10-11 (Appropriate $27,617.52 from the Rockford Tax Increment Equivalent Fund for the Current Expense of Making Payments in accordance with the Infrastructure Agreement with Rockford Homes) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Turner, Dir. of Finance, explained that this is for a TIF created in 2005. It is a 15 year agreement. As we collect funds, we must pay Rockford their portion of putting in part of Buckeye Parkway.

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

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

3. Ordinance C-13-11 (Appropriate $33,762.00 from the Capital Improvement Fund for the Current Expense of Grading and Drainage Improvements for Seeds Road Ditch) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on 4/18/11.

4. Ordinance C-14-11 (Amend Various Sections of Part One titled Administrative Code) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on 4/18/11.

5. Resolution CR-14-11 (Affirming that the City will Pick-up, using the Salary Reduction Method, Statutorily required Contribution to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System for the Employees of the City pursuant to Internal Revenue Code Section 414(h)(2)) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Smith, Dir. of Law, explained that this is to show that the deductions from the employees checks that go to PERS are done in a tax deferred manner. The City does not pickup any portion of the PERS payment. He noted that this language is in the Code and in all Collective Bargaining Agreements. This resolution is simply to satisfy the Auditor of State.

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

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

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

1. Ordinance C-11-11 (Authorize the Charitable Solicitations Board to Issue a Permit to the Knights of Columbus per Section 371.06(b)(2) of the Codified Ordinances) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Pat Sommers, Knights of Columbus member, was present to answer any questions. He said they do this once per year and 80% of the money goes to the Grove City Special Olympics and the Heinzerling Foundation.

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

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

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

1. Ordinance C-15-11 (Annex 4.5+ acres of Roadway Property located on White Road from Jackson Township to the City of Grove City and declare an emergency) was given its first reading.

Mr. Smith, Dir. of Law, explained that this is part of the White Road project. In order for the County to approve the plans, this property must be annexed. To keep the project moving, we need to approve it as an emergency so the annexation can be filed and the plans approved.

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

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

Mr. Berry asked if we had an obligation to extend the water and sewer lines with this annexation. Mr. Smith said we have no obligation to do so and noted that this annexation is only taking in road right-of-way.

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

Ms. Klemack-McGraw	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Albright	Yes
Mr. Grinch	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. The Mayor submitted the Mayor's Monthly Report and Mr. Berry moved to accept same; seconded by Mr. Grinch.

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

He also mentioned that the City received a letter from CALEA regarding the Police Division certification. Although this is strictly under Attorney/Client privilege, he said they are undergoing an exercise of identifying where they are going to try to get some of our money back. He also noted that Senator Stivers will be holding a Town Meeting here on April 19.

2. Mr. Berry asked about the Audit Committee criteria. Mr. Smith, Dir. of Law, said after further research, he believes that the audit committee members must meet the new requirements. If those currently meet the new requirements, they can remain on the committee. If they don't, new appointments will need to be made. Mr. Berry asked who the Mayor's appointee to this committee is.

Mr. Turner said it was Alan Houk. Mayor Stage noted Mr. Houk is a CPA. Mr. Berry commented that if anyone with the requirements is interested, please send their resume to Ms. Kelly.

3. Mr. Smith said they did file the Reasonable Cause letter with the IRS. They anticipate a decision shortly.

4. Ms. Kelly, Clerk of Council, asked about two Liquor Permit approvals. Council indicated that they did not wish to request a hearing.

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

Council adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Tami K. Kelly

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Clerk of Council

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President