CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO

COUNCIL MINUTES

January 02, 2018 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Robinette at 7:20 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 4035 Broadway.

Roll was called and the following members were present:

Roby Schottke *Christine Houk* *Steve Robinette* *Jeff Davis* *Ted Berry*

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

Mr. Schottke	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Robinette	Yes
Ms. Houk	Yes

2. The Chair read the agenda items and they were approved by unanimous consent.

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

1. Ordinance C-68-17 (Authorize the Purchase of Part of the Property Located at 4861 Grove City Road and Appropriate $93,000.00 from the General Fund for Said Purchase and Related Expenses) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mayor Stage showed a map from 1937. He said the property at the end of Holt Road is for sale. He said if you look at the map, it shows the thoroughfare plan of Franklin County which included the extension of Holt Road, to follow the Pleasant Township line south to Young Road. He said since the property at Grove City Road is for sale today, he believes there is merit owning the first strip to get to Rensch Road.

Mr. Robinette asked if there would be any trouble acquiring the rest of the property needed to connect the street. Mayor Stage said that owner has been contacted and he is open to discussion.

Mr. Berry pointed out that getting another north/south access down to Rensch Road would be significant.

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

Ms. Houk	Yes
Mr. Robinette	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Schottke	Yes

2. Ordinance C-01-18 (Appropriate $1,000,000.00 from the Capital Improvement Fund for the Current Expense of the Gantz Road Improvement Project) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be 1/16/18.

The Chair recognized Mr., Chairman of Lands, took the floor for discussion and voting under said Committee.

1. Ordinance C-69-17 (Vacate a Utility Easement located South of Columbus St. and West of Gladman Ave.) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Schottke explained that this is an old utility easement that hasn't been used and is not needed.

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

Mr. Robinette	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Schottke	Yes
Ms. Houk	Yes

2. Ordinance C-70-17 (Accept the Plat of Holton Run, Section 6.) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Rauch, Dir. of Dev., said the connection to the Township has been clearly decided in the 2005 plan. Mr. Berry asked if the pavement will connect. Mr. Rauch said no. It will have bollards. Mr. Berry asked how many connections there are. Mr. Rauch said three. Mr. Berry suggested a small playground for this area. Mr. Rauch said they can look into it. He said once the bike paths are in place there will be connector to nearly parks.

Mayor Stage commented that we have not gotten approval from the Township over what the bike path will look like. He also discussed connection to Demorest Drive. Finally, he said the pond will be a model for future ponds in the City, with stone all around and a better water feature.

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

Mr. Davis	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Schottke	Yes
Ms. Houk	Yes
Mr. Robinette	Yes

3. Ordinance C-02-18 (Accept the Annexation of 1.065 acres located at 5070 Haughn Road) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held 1/16/18.

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 congratulated the newly elected officials. He announced that Mr. Leroy Geyer, Barber for 63 years has retired. He also announced the Induction of Hall of Famer's for Grove City High School.

2. Mr. Turner showed the new transparency website for all financial information for the City. It is accessible through the City's home page.

3. Mr. Schottke moved to change the next regular meeting of Council to Jan. 16, in observance of Martin Luther King Day; seconded by Mr. Berry.

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Schottke	Yes
Ms. Houk	Yes
Mr. Robinette	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes

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

Council adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Tami K. Kelly

Tami K. Kelly, MMC
Clerk of Council

Steven R. Robinette

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President

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January 02, 2018 | Organizational Meeting

1, The Organizational meeting of Council was called to order by Clerk of Council, Tami Kelly, at approximately 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 4035 Broadway

Roll call was called and the following members were present:

Steve Robinette *Christine Houk* *Roby Schottke* *Jeff Davis* *Ted Berry*

2. Ms. Kelly declared that nominations were now in order for the office of President of Council.

Mr. Schottke nominated Steve Robinette.

There being no other nominations, Ms. Kelly closed the floor for nominations and called the vote to appoint Mr. Robinette as President of Council.

Mr. Robinette	Yes
Ms. Houk	Yes
Mr. Schottke	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

Ms. Kelly congratulated Mr. Robinette on being elected the Council President and turned the meeting over to him.

Mr. Robinette thanked Council.

3. Mr. Robinette took the Chair and declared that nominations were in order for a Clerk of Council.

Mr. Robinette moved to elect Tami Kelly, MMC, as Clerk of Council; seconded by Mr. Schottke.

Ms. Houk	Yes
Mr. Schottke	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Robinette	Yes

4. Mr. Smith, Dir. of Law, stated that there was no need to administer the Oath of Office to Ms. Kelly as Clerk of Council since her employment status has not changed.

5. Mr. Robinette asked each member where they would like to sit. The seating arrangement of Council was determined to be from his far right to far left:

Mr. Schottke, Ms. Houk, Mr. Robinette, Mr. Davis, Mr. Berry

Approved by unanimous consent.

6. Mr. Robinette moved that the Chairmanship of Committees of Council be:

Lands & Zoning:	Mr. Schottke	Public Safety:	Ms. Houk
Public Service:	Mr. Berry	Finance:	Mr. Davis

Approved by unanimous consent.

7. Mr. Robinette stated that Liaison's have been requested by certain groups and as requested the following members will be assigned:

Chamber of Commerce:	Ms. Houk	Conven. & Visitors Bureau:	Mr. Robinette
MORPC:	Mr. Schottke	Town Center Inc.:	Mr. Davis

8. Mr. Robinette moved to declare the Clerk of Council the Designee for H.B.9 – Open Records Certification; seconded by Mr. Davis.

Mr. Schottke	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Robinette	Yes
Ms. Houk	Yes

9. Mr. Robinette said there are some items concerning the Rules of Council that he would like to visit. Mr. Davis suggested visiting the limitation of debate. Ms. Houk suggested looking at the amount of time for speakers to address Council. Mr. Robinette wants to look at having a Council sponsor for every item before it is placed on an agenda. Council discussed the aspects of this idea. Mayor Stage suggested Council try a pilot. He said there are items that should be vetted by the general public and if no Council Member sponsors the legislation, the public would never be able to share their thoughts. Mr. Robinette suggested that language be added to Caucus to permit others to participate in discussion if requested by Council. Mayor Stage said he would also like to be able to bring people into Caucus to speak. Mr. Robinette then talked about the compilation of the agenda. Mr. Schottke said there is nothing to prohibit discussion on the first reading. Mr. Robinette said to keep consistent with the Charter Revisions, on Rule 35, item b, he feels "at length" should be stricken; and change the publication to mirror the new Charter language. Also, Rule 35 may need a review. Finally, an addition concerning Executive Session could be added. Mr. Smith said he has provided Council with a step-by-step sheet concerning executive sessions and that could be incorporated.

   Ms. Kelly noted that while they are just accepting/acknowledging the Rules at this time, they can be brought to Council at a later date for revision. Council accepted the Rules by unanimous consent.

10. After closing comments, Council adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Tami K. Kelly

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Clerk of Council

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President of Council