

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

May 06, 2024

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Houk at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall, 4035 Broadway.

Roll was called and the following members were present:

Jodi Burroughs, Melissa Anderson, Mark Sigrist, Christine Houk, Randy Holt, Ted Berry, Rodney Dew

1. Ms. Houk moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and approve as written; seconded by Mr. Dew.

Ms. Burroughs	Yes
Ms. Anderson	Yes
Mr. Sigrist	Yes
Ms. Houk	Yes
Mr. Holt	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Dew	Yes

2. Ms. Houk recognized Mayor Stage who administered the Oath of Office to Officer Chris Pfeiffer as Sergeant. He then presented a proclamation for Building Safety Month and Mr. Teaford, Dir. of Safety, recognized Mr. Mike Boso, Chief Building & Zoning Inspector. The Mayor also shared a proclamation for Mental Health Month.
3. The Chair read the agenda items and they were approved by unanimous consent.

The Chair recognized Ms. Burroughs, Chair of Lands, for discussion and voting under said Committee.

1. Ordinance C-14-24 (Approve the Rezoning of 0.61 + acres located at the southeast corner of Park and Elm Streets from IND-1 to PUD-R with zoning text) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Kerry Ferguson, petitioner, was present to answer any questions.

There being no additional questions or comments, Ms. Burroughs moved it be approved; seconded by Ms. Houk.

Ms. Anderson	Yes
Mr. Sigrist	Yes
Ms. Houk	Yes
Mr. Holt	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Dew	Yes
Ms. Burroughs	Yes

2. Ordinance C-20-24 (Accept the Annexation of 0.897 + acres located at 2232 Edwards Road in Jackson Township to the City of Grove City, Ohio) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be June 17 as requested by the petitioner.

3. Resolution CR-12-24 (Approve the Development Plan for Park & Elm Duplex & Triplex located at the southeast corner of Park and Elm Streets) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Kerry Ferguson, petitioner, was present to answer any questions.

There being no additional questions or comments, Ms. Burroughs moved it be approved; seconded by Ms. Houk.

Mr. Sigrist	Yes
Ms. Houk	Yes
Mr. Holt	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Dew	Yes
Ms. Burroughs	Yes
Ms. Anderson	Yes

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

1. Ordinance C-21-24 (Amend various Sections of the Codified Ordinances to Increase the Penalties for Distracted Driving and Violations in a Crosswalk that result in harm to pedestrians) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on May 20, 2024.

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

1. Ordinance C-18-24 (Appropriate \$545,000.00 from the Brown's Farm Tax Increment Equivalent Fund for the Current Expense of making payments in accordance with the TIF Agreement and other necessary expenditures) was given its second reading and public hearing.

There being no questions or comments, Mr. Sigrist moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Dew.

Ms. Houk	Yes
Mr. Holt	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Dew	Yes
Ms. Burroughs	Yes
Ms. Anderson	Yes
Mr. Sigrist	Yes

2. Ordinance C-19-24 (Approve the purchase contract with E & S Ferguson Properties, LLC and Appropriate \$150,000.00 from the General Fund for the purchase of 3447 Grant Avenue) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Boso, City Admin., explained that with the closing of Grant Avenue at the railroad tracks, this property will give an access road to the parking lot, just to the south.

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

Mr. Holt	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Dew	Yes
Ms. Burroughs	Yes

Ms. Anderson	Yes
Mr. Sigrist	Yes
Ms. Houk	Yes

3. Ordinance C-22-24 (Appropriate \$250,000.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Gantz Park Recschool Center Construction) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be May 20, 2024.
4. Resolution CR-20-24 (Waive the provisions of Section 153.12 of the Ohio Revised Code and Accept the Bids for the Gantz Park Recschool Center) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Boso, City Admin., explained that when a project is over 10% of the engineer's or architects estimate, the project cannot be awarded unless Council waives this provision. He said this project received four (4) bids that were all over the estimate. They would like to award the lowest and best bidder with the project.

Mr. Holt asked why the bids were so high. Mr. Boso said he has asked the architect for a reason and is waiting for an answer.

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

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Dew	Yes
Ms. Burroughs	Yes
Ms. Anderson	Yes
Mr. Sigrist	Yes
Ms. Houk	Yes
Mr. Holt	Yes

5. Resolution CR-21-24 (Authorize participation in the Ohio Department of Transportation Contract for Road Salt) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Sigrist explained that this is the time when we need to opt-in to the State road salt program.

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

Mr. Dew	Yes
Ms. Burroughs	Yes
Ms. Anderson	Yes
Mr. Sigrist	Yes
Ms. Houk	Yes
Mr. Holt	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.

1. Ms. Sandra Hooker commented that she is glad to see that she and Council have gotten to a point that they are now able to see something happening with sidewalk safety. She said other communities are calling her and watching what Grove City does. She thanked Mayor Stage and

the Council Members for their support on this issue. She said she would like to revisit it in six months to see how things are going and push for additional penalties.

Mayor Stage commented that the City is taking a very proactive role in preventing accidents in the crosswalks. There is new signage and enforcement has been increased.

2. Ms. Sharon Montgomery said she was a victim of a fatal crash from a distracted driver using an electronic device. She said the State laws for this action are terrible. She is working to increase penalties and advocate for the rights of victims. She voiced support for Ord. C-21-24 and asked that the word 'pedestrian' be changed to 'person' in order to include others besides those on foot, as is the definition of pedestrian.

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

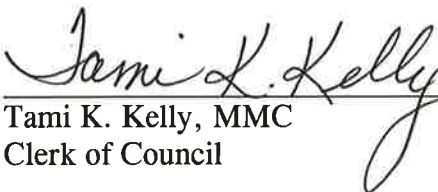
1. Mayor Stage submitted the Mayor's Court Report and Ms. Houk moved to approve same; seconded by Mr. Holt.

Ms. Burroughs	Yes
Ms. Anderson	Yes
Mr. Sigrist	Yes
Ms. Houk	Yes
Mr. Holt	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Dew	Yes

Mayor Stage reported on the Ecofest; Medicine Drop; Shred-it Day; Opening Day for Little League; and the Mayor's Cup Golf Outing, which all turned out very well. He asked Mr. Vedra, Deputy City Admin., to report on the emergency management training that was given. Mr. Vedra said they held a six day training for staff, school board members, Jackson Township members, and other stakeholders in the community to know what to do in an emergency situation. It went very well.

2. Ms. Houk announced a special meeting of Council on May 13, at 5:30 p.m. to learn about different forms of government. All are welcome to attend.
3. After closing comments from Council and Administrative staff members, a motion to adjourn was approved by unanimous consent.

Adjourned at 7:53 p.m.


Tami K. Kelly, MMC
Clerk of Council


Christine Houk
President of Council

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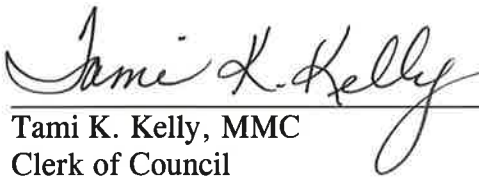
Council met at 6:30 p.m. in City Hall, 4035 Broadway.

Council Members reviewed the Agenda items.

Mr. Sigrist passed out a graphic showing some dates that he would like to get on the calendar to review the finances; staffing; capital improvements; etc. in preparation of the 2025 budget. He feels like we could get a jump on the process instead of reviewing it all in one night.

Ms. Kelly submitted two liquor permits for Logan's Steakhouse and Buffalo Wild Wings. Council had no objections to these permits.

Council retired to the Chambers to begin the Regular meeting.



Tami K. Kelly, MMC
Clerk of Council



Christine Houk
President of Council