CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

June 17, 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. The Chair recognized Mayor Stage who, with the assistance of Mr. Teaford and Jeff Cahill, presented awards to the Building Safety Month Coloring Contest Winners: K – 1st grade = Jack Ohrstrom, Zayden Leon, Grady Morbitzer, Santiago Garcia, Kennedy Ferguson; 2nd – 4th grade = Lilly Carney, Spencer Woltz, Kayelyn Howley, Ben Taylor, Jonah Carpenter.

   Mayor Stage then administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Jack Castle as Director of Parks and Recreation.

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-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 second reading and at the request of the petitioner, Ms. Burroughs moved it be postponed to 8/5/24; seconded by Ms. Anderson.

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

2. Ordinance C-24-24 (Amend Section 1135.09(b)12A3 of the Codified Ordinances of Grove City titled "Special Use Permits" for any Radio and/or Television Antennas or Antenna Towers) was given its second reading and public hearing.

   Mr. Holt provided an overview of the efforts of the City to obtain better cellular coverage throughout the community from Providers, including hiring a consultant. He said we will also be sending the providers a letter expressing the safety concerns the City has in order to try to push them along to fix the areas that have bad coverage. He said life has evolved to where you have to have cell coverage. He explained that this ordinance attempts to streamline the zoning process by allowing towers to be in all zoning districts with a Special Use Permit. He moved to amend Section 1 in part to adjust the following sentence to say: "Such antenna or antenna tower may be located in any zoning district with a Special Use Permit"; seconded by Mr. Dew.

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

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

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

3. Ordinance C-25-24 (Approve the Rezoning of 0.1893+ acres located north of Rose Ave. and west of Broadway from R-2 to PUD-R with Zoning Text) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on 8/5/24.

4. Resolution CR-24-24 (Approve the Development Plan for Rose Castro Duplex with detached garage located north of Rose Ave. and west of Broadway) was given its reading and at the request of the petitioner, Ms. Burroughs moved it be postponed to 8/5/24; seconded by Ms. Houk.

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

5. Resolution CR-25-24 (Approve the Development Plan for the Harris Property located north of S.R. 665 and west of Borror Road) was given its reading and at the request of the petitioner, Ms. Burroughs moved it be postponed to 7/15/24; seconded by Ms. Houk.

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

Ms. Burroughs announced a special work session of Council to review this development and the TIF Agreement for the project on 7/8/24 at 5:30 p.m.

The Chair recognized Mr. Dew, Chair of Service, for discussion and voting under said Committee.

1. Resolution CR-26-24 (Authorizing the City Administrator to Apply for a Loan, accept and enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Agreement for the planning, design, and/or construction of wastewater facilities for the Columbus Street 18-inch Relief Sewer and designate a dedicated repayment source for the loan) was given its reading and public hearing.

   Mr. Boso explained this project and the grant monies already received to assist with this $11 million project (OPWC $878,000 & $2.6 mil.; Amer. Rescue Plan $3.9 mil.; Cap. Improve. $500,000). This is on the OEPA approved list and this legislation will request $4.4 million at a 2.73% interest rate, paid over 20 years.

   There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Dew 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

2. Resolution CR-27-24 (Waive the provisions of Section 903.05b of the Codified Ordinances for the Annual Alumni Softball Tournament on July 27 & 28, 2024 at Fryer Park) was given its reading and public hearing.

   Ms. Benda Newman, representing the Rotary Club, explained that this is their major fundraiser for the year. They take great care to see that this is a safe event and requested approval.

   Mayor Stage said the Rotary has been an incredible partner and while they don't encourage alcohol in the city parks, this is a way to have a safe tournament as they have learned.

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

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

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

1. Ordinance C-26-24 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into an Agreement with the City of Columbus for Viper 9-1-1 Services) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on July 01, 2024.

2. Resolution CR-28-24 (Accept the Donation of $10,000.00 for plantings in the Beulah Park Conservation Easement and Thank the Berry Family for their generous gift) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Sigrist moved to excuse Mr. Berry from voting; seconded by Ms. Anderson.

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

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

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

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

1. Ms. Houk recognized the Boy Scout Troop and Mr. Jeff Savage of Troop 136 came forward to represent them. He said they are here working on their Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge, which is required to become an Eagle Scout.

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

1. Mayor Stage submitted the May Mayor's Court report and Ms. Houk moved to accept same; seconded by Mr. Berry.

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

In closing, the Mayor reported on the Boy Scout Breakfast, which raised almost $10,000; the Community Center grid will be sent out next week; the Wine & Arts Festival went well; they have a place setter of other improvements they are considering at the Town Center Park with a $400,000 grant that was received with the assistance of State Senator Michelle Reynolds; and finally, an offer has been accepted for the Director of Service. This announcement will come soon.

2. Mr. Turner, Dir. of Finance, presented information on the Tax Budget, which is a form that every municipality uses to present their estimated revenues to the County. This sets the framework for the

annual appropriation ordinance. He shared a 10-year forecast, that is not required, but something the Administration does to track upcoming debt and other fixed finances. He said if you use the budgetary law, a municipality cannot spend more than it takes in. He said 80% of the receipts come from income tax and this is what is used to determine the estimated tax figures that go into the Tax Budget. He shared detailed information on where most of the tax dollars come from and said businesses in the City is what makes the City go. It was shared that Grove City has the fifth lowest property tax percentage in the County. Marble Cliff, Urbancrest, Columbus & Whitehall are lower. He shared the monthly fund balance report and said everything is going along as projected. If anyone needs more information, he can set up a meeting with them.

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

Adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Tami K. Kelly

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Clerk of Council

Christine Houk
President of Council

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

Ms. Kelly reviewed the Liquor Permit request for City BBQ. Council had no objections and Ms. Kelly will submit it to the Div. of Liquor Control as such.

Council Members reviewed the Agenda items.

Mr. Holt said he will be proposing an amendment to Ord. C-24-24. He believes allowing a Cell Tower in any zoning district with a special use permit removes the most barriers and helps in moving toward improved coverage. He and Mr. Hurley, Dir. of IS, provided a brief update on these efforts. A letter was passed out that the Mayor would like Council to sign, along with himself, to send to all cell providers.

Mr. Turner, Dir. of Finance, passed out a memo explaining the Tax Budget.

Council retired to the Chambers to begin the Regular meeting.

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