CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

February 03, 2025 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, Anthony Wilson, Christine Houk, Randy Holt, Ted Berry, Rodney Dew

1. Ms. Houk moved to approve the minutes of the 01/21 and 01/30 meeting and approve as written; seconded by Mr. Holt

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

2. Ms. Houk recognized Mayor Stage who turned the floor over to Ms. Kim Shields, Dev. Dept., who made a presentation and shared that the City has received the Bronze Award from Bicycle Friendly America on their first submission. We are 460th in the Nation, 19th in the State and one of four in Central Ohio – joining Columbus, Dublin and Westerville. She said our report card is available on-line. It shows our scores and what will be worked on in the coming years. She recognized Council Members Ted Berry and Mark Sigrist for their legislation to spark this journey. She thanked the members of the Bicycle Transportation Task Force and the staff members who worked so hard on this application. She said it was a collaborative effort, including other city departments, community partners and Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission. She said they have their sights set on obtaining a Silver Award next. She shared the Active Transportation Plan, which will help identify the priority improvements and have one set of recommendations for bikeways and roadway improvements. Finally, she shared that they are kicking off the Broadway Corridor Study with MORPC this month. It will identify needed improvements from Home Road to Orders Road to make it safer for pedestrians, cyclists, and all vulnerable road users. Broadway has been identified as a future LinkUS corridor, so this will help us get ahead of the regional requirements. *Ms. Houk* thanked Mr. Berry and Mr. Sigrist for their passion in championing the legislation for this effort. Council recognized Ms. Shields, Cindi Fitzpatrick, Deputy CA, and the Bicycle Task Force for all their efforts and such a great job.

3. The Chair read the agenda items, and Mr. Holt moved to withdraw Resolution CR-05-25; seconded by Mr. Dew.

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

All other items were approved by unanimous consent.

The Chair recognized Mr Holt, Chair of Administration, for discussion and voting under said Committee.

1. Ordinance C-03-25 (Amend Section 161.10 of the Codified Ordinances titled Employee Status, Number of Employees per Department, Pay Grades) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on 02/18/25.

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

1. Ms. Shannon Sidelinger, resident, shared her story about her child that has disabilities and is in a wheelchair. She explained their frustration in finding a parking space for Arts-in-the-Alley, even after research it the day before. Roads were closed that made it impossible to get to the designated handicapped parking spaces. She asked that the City work on making the special events more accessible and easier to attend for those with disabilities. Council asked that she connect with Mr. Teaford, Dir. of Safety, and Mr. M. Boso, Chief Build./Zoning Official to work on this.

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

1. Mayor Stage welcomed Mr. Wilson. He reported that AT&T tried to sneak into a PUCO Bill a charge to municipalities for moving AT&T equipment/poles. That has now been dropped. He reported that the city has tried to get Verizon to add 5g equipment and will continue to do so.

2. Mr. C. Boso, City Admin., noted that Administration is still negotiating with the Fraternal Order of Police on their contract and will begin negotiating with the American Federation of State, County & Municipal employees, as their contract expires in April. He hopes to have legislation to Council soon to approve those contracts.

3. After all Council Members and Staff welcomed Mr. Wilson and shared closing comments, a motion to adjourn was approved by unanimous consent.

Adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

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Clerk of Council

Christine Houk
President of Council

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COUNCIL CAUCUS NOTES

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

The Oath of Office was administered to Mr. Anthony C. Wilson, to fill the unexpired term of the At-Large seat vacated by Mark Sigrist.

Ms. Kelly submitted the new Liquor Permit for 4143 Buckeye Grove Inc. to Council for their consideration. Council agreed not request a hearing by unanimous consent.

Council Members reviewed the Agenda items.

Council confirmed a Special Meeting to discuss Park issues on 2/24/25 at 5:30 p.m.
The also agreed to meet at 5:30 p.m. 3/3/25 to meet with the Charter Review Committee.

Council retired to the Chambers to begin the Regular meeting.

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