

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

October 20, 1997

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Milovich at 8:00 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:

Vaughn Radi Steve Bennett Mike Milovich Budd Eversman Bruce Faris

1. President Milovich recognized Mayor Grossman for a presentation. The Mayor, along with Chief McKean and Mr. Kulp, Director of Safety, administered the Oath of Office to a new officer - Misty Hutchinson.

In addition, Mayor Grossman and Bob Lathrop, Urban Forester, administered the Oath of Office to Karen Hurley as the Ward 1 Tree Commission member.

2. Mr. Faris moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes for the previous meeting and approve as written; seconded by Mr. Bennett.

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Faris	Yes

The Chair recognized Mr. Faris, Chairman for the Lands Committee, for discussion and voting of items under said committee.

1. Ordinance C-57-97 (Approve a Special Use Permit for an Auto Repair Service Station located at 4326 Broadway) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Jim Schnaudt, petitioner, was present. He gave parking and landscaping sketches to Council in Caucus. Mr. Faris explained that the granting of a Special Use Permit can only be done for Commercially zoned property and it will be necessary to wait until his rezoning request is acted upon before they can act on the Special Use Permit request. He stated that they would like to postpone this until November 17, when the rezoning request will be heard. Also, since the requested zoning is PUD-C, Mr. Faris asked Mr. Clark, Director of Law, to explain some of the requirements that will be required for the rezoning. Mr. Clark suggested that Mr. Schnaudt review Section 1135.14 of the Code regarding PUD zoning and provided him with a copy. Mr. Schnaudt commented that the previous owner had a Special Use Permit under the IND zoning and wanted to know why one could not be approved now. Mr. Clark indicated that there is a provision in our Code that stipulates the approval of such Permits and he would be happy to get him a copy.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Faris moved it be postponed until 11/17/97; seconded by Mr. Bennett.

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Faris	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes

The Chair recognized Mr. Radi, Chairman of the Safety Committee, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.

1. Ordinance C-58-97 (Amend Chapter 1136 of the Codified Ordinances of Grove City, Ohio titled "Landscaping" and declare an emergency) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Lathrop, Urban Forester, explained that there have been a number of meetings with Council, Planning Commission and the Tree Commission, reviewing this Chapter. He highlighted some of the major changes: 1. reduction of sizes in certain categories where there is a compatible use district; 2. requiring Developers to make a deposit for street trees, which the City will obtain and plant, rather than the Developer. This will give the City control over the quality of trees, the planting method, and the timing of said planting; 3. requires planting around retention areas; 4. increase the preservation of wooded areas; 5. increase the penalty of any unlawful destruction of trees. Mr. Radi thanked him for his time and energy. President Milovich commented that after speaking with Mr. Clark, there are some legal issues that need to be reviewed prior to the passage of this legislation and he suggested postponing this until November 17, 1997 and setting up a special meeting to review these items.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Bennett moved that this be postponed until 11/17/97; seconded by Mr. Faris.

Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Faris	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes

The Chair recognized Mr. Bennett, Chairman of the Finance Committee, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.

1. Ordinance C-60-97 (Appropriate \$5,899.41 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Vehicle Repair) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Bennett explained that several police vehicles were damaged and this money has been received from insurance companies for those repairs.

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

Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Faris	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes

2. Ordinance C-61-97 (Appropriate \$45,136.25 from the General Fund for the Current Expenses associated with the Ameritech Change Order) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. explained that in order to expedite Ameritech's portion of the improvements to Haughn Road, some engineering changes were made and a change order given to the City's contractor, which Ameritech has paid for. This will appropriate said monies for the project.

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

Mr. Faris	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes

3. Ordinance C-62-97 (Appropriate \$40,350.52 from the Sewer Fund for the Current Expense of reimbursing the City of Columbus for Tap Fees Collected) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on November 3, 1997.
4. Ordinance C-63-97 (Appropriate \$10,000.00 from the Community Environment Fund for the Current Expense of the Tree Program) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on November 3, 1997.

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

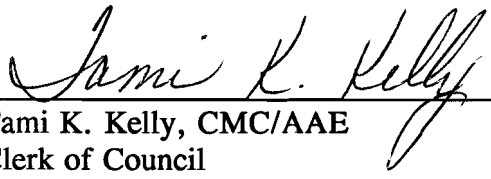
There being no new business, President Milovich recognized members of Administration and Council for closing comments.

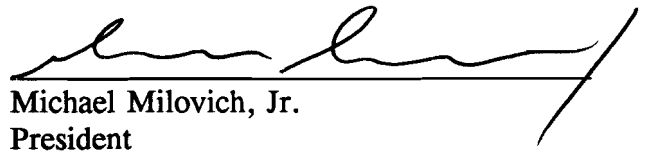
1. Mayor Grossman welcomed Mike Miller, former Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney, as the new Magistrate. She announced that Bid Packets for the "Old Sohio Lot" on Broadway & Park St. were available; the City Clerk has a copy on file; and they will be opened on 11/25/97. This is Red Ribbon Week and she will be giving a Proclamation to the Mayor of Gahanna, extending this community's support; the bike trails along Buckeye Parkway are under construction and should be complete in the next three weeks; the City Hall parking lot expansion, of an additional 25 spaces, should be complete by the end of this week, except for the landscaping which is on order. She reminded everyone of Boo on Broadway, to be held 10/30/97 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
2. Council welcomed former Mayor, "Ike" Stage to the meeting, as well as Misty Hutchinson to the police force and Karen Hurley to the Tree Commission. President Milovich commented that with the request for rezoning and the special use permit for 4326 Broadway, it provoked him to have some research done on IND property since 1990. He explained that since 1990, 70 pieces of legislation have been reviewed regarding annexation or rezoning of property. There have been approximately 1,826 acres annexed. Of that, 74 acres have been zoned for Industrial use, which is .04% of the total properties being annexed or less than one half of one percent. Of the property rezoned since 1990, 16 acres have been rezoned *from* IND to C-2 or R-1b. Approximately 86 acres have been rezoned *to* IND-1, which is specifically the Gateway project on S.R. 665. He said although the acreage has been small, there has been a consistent move to rezone IND parcels to other classifications. Only one out of 29 rezonings have been for IND-

1. Also, there has been a consistency in annexing property for commercial and residential use, rather than industrial. Only four parcels between 1990 and 1997, out of 39, have been annexed with IND classifications. He believes that the property on Broadway is a consistent move to show that our community has matured in that area and we are moving into other zoning classifications that bring more product and service to the community.

3. After additional comments from Administration, the Chamber and Council, a motion was made to adjourn and seconded. Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 8:25 p.m.


Tami K. Kelly, CMC/AAE
Clerk of Council


Michael Milovich, Jr.
President

EDITORS NOTE: At 6:00 p.m., Mr. Bennett, Mr. Eversman, Mr. Milovich & Mr. Radi met, along with Mr. Clark, Mr. Lathrop and Ms. Kelly, to discuss the Landscape Code Revisions. Planting islands were discussed as well as the enforceability of requiring compliance of the Landscape Code when there is a "change of use". This meeting was held in an open setting, in accordance with the provisions of the "Sunshine Law". Also present was Ms. Amy, reporter - Grove City News.