

BOROUGH OF GROVE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
March 16, 2015 7:00pm

CALL TO ORDER by Council President George Pokrant at 7:03pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRAYER: Council Member - Amy Gallagher

MEETING ATTENDANCE / ROLL CALL

X if present	Council Member Name	X if present	Council Member Name	X if present	Other Name
X	Mattocks, Mary Kay	X	Black, Jeffrey (V-President)	X	Oakes, Vance (Boro Manager)
X	Daley, Kathleen	X	Riddle, Randy (Mayor)	X	Miller, Christine (Boro Secretary)
X	Myers, Shawn	X	Coulter, Michael	X	Rose, Will (Boro Asst. Manager)
X	Hodge, Jeffrey	X	Bigley, Joel	X	Goncz, Dan (Engineer)
X	Gallagher, Amy	X	Wood, Todd		
X	Bonner, Timothy (Solicitor)		Thomas, Alaina (Jr Member)		
X	Pokrant, George (President)	X	Foley, Ethan (Jr Member)		

REQUEST FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

No response / No discussion

Mr. Pokrant reported that Council met in Executive Session prior to this meeting to discuss a personnel matter.

APPROVAL OF 'BILLS-TO-BE-PAID' REPORT

Ø Mr. Shawn Myers moved to approve the 'Bills to be Paid' report. Mrs. Mary Kay Mattocks seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF 'BILLS PAID' REPORT

Ø Mr. Shawn Myers moved to approve the 'Bills Paid' report. Mrs. Mary Kay Mattocks seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES from Regular Meeting on February 16, 2015 and Special Meeting on February 23, 2015

Ø Mr. Shawn Myers moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on February 16, 2015 and the Special Meeting on February 23, 2015 as presented. Ms. Kathleen Daley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

GROVE CITY COMMUNITY LIBRARY REPORT - Mrs. Kimberly Barbara reported:

- Review of adult programing for the month of March
- Review of children/young adult programing for the month of March
- New Castle Library District Advisory Council will vote in April to finalize the 2015 budget. It was also announced that Part I of District Trustee Training for the Board of Trustees will take place on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015.
- Mercer County Libraries is conducting oral surveys to individuals over a number of weekends to help determine how district funds to promote the awareness and use of public libraries in 2015
- Fund raising and library support
- April 17<sup>th</sup> the "American Girl Tea Party" preparing to accommodate up to 42 young ladies

CONSIDER EVENT REQUEST: GROVE CITY COMMUNITY 'NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER' – POC: Pastor Pam Schnelzer. To be held Thursday, May 7, 2015: event to begin at 12:00pm and end at approx. 1:15pm.

Ø Mr. Todd Wood moved to approve the event request submitted by Pam Schnelzer for the Grove City Community "National Day of Prayer" to be held on Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 12:00pm to 1:15pm at Grove City Memorial Park provided there is compliance with the "no amplification" rule and contingent upon receipt of

an acceptable Certificate of Liability Insurance. Mr. Jeffrey Hodge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER EVENT REQUEST: GROVE CITY COMMUNITY 'EASTER EGG HUNT' - Sponsored by Farmer's National Bank; to be held on Saturday, April 4, 2015; event to begin at 1:00pm and end at 2:00pm

Ø Dr. Michael Coulter moved to approve the event request submitted by Darian Murray on behalf of Farmer's National Bank the Grove City Community "Easter Egg Hunt" to be held on Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm to 2:00pm at Grove City Memorial Park contingent upon receipt of an acceptable Certificate of Liability Insurance. Mr. Jeffrey Hodge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER REQUEST: GROVE CITY LADY EAGLES SOFTBALL BOOSTERS - Permission to sell advertising rights on the Borough softball fields.

Ø Dr. Michael Coulter moved to approve the event request submitted by Shane Wentz on behalf of the Grove City Lady Eagles Softball Boosters to raise funds by selling advertising on the Borough softball fields contingent upon compliance with existing ordinance requirements and Solicitor's recommendation that all signage be limited to a 3 year display period and must be removed at the end of that time frame. Mrs. Amy Gallagher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER EVENT REQUEST: GROVE CITY COLLEGE PHI SIGMA CHI SORORITY SPONSORED 'SUNSET SPRINT 5K RACE' - To be held Wednesday, April 29, 2015; race to begin at 7:00pm; end at approx. 10:00pm

Ø Dr. Michael Coulter moved to approve the event request submitted by Kelsey Speer on behalf of the Phi Sigma Chi Sorority of Grove City College for the "Sunset Sprint" 5K Race to be held on Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 7:00pm until approximately 10:00pm. Mr. Jeffrey Hodge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER EVENT REQUEST: ALPHA OMEGA CENTER SPONSORED 'WALK FOR LIFE 5K' - To be held Saturday May 23, 2015; event to begin at 9:00am; end at approx. 11:00am

Ø Mr. Todd Wood moved to approve the event request submitted by Sarah Bowen on behalf of the Alpha Omega Center for the "Walk for Life" 5K to be held on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00am to 11:00am provided there is clear redirection for access to the Hunter Farm ball field area and contingent upon receipt of an acceptable Certificate of Liability Insurance. Mr. Jeffrey Black seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER EVENT REQUEST: AWARE SPONSORED 'WALK A MILE IN HER SHOES' WALK - To be held Saturday, April 25, 2015; walk to begin at 11:00am; end at approx. 12:30pm

Ø Mr. Jeffrey Hodge moved to approve the event request submitted by Roger Flynn on behalf of AWARE for the "Walk A Mile in Her Shoes" event to be held on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am to approximately 12:30pm at Grove City Memorial Park contingent upon receipt of an acceptable Certificate of Liability Insurance. Mr. Todd Wood seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RESIGNATION OF BOROUGH SECRETARY CHRISTINE MILLER

Ø Dr. Michael Coulter moved to accept, with regret, the resignation of Christine Miller as Borough Secretary. Mr. Jeffrey Black seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

NEW BOROUGH SECRETARY TANYA POLLARD was in attendance and received an introduction and welcome by Council.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2015-2 UPDATE TO AUTHORIZED PRIMARY BANK SIGNATORIES (attachment)  
New Borough Secretary Tanya Pollard to replace Christine Miller.

Ø Mr. Shawn Myers moved to approve Resolution # 2015-2, Designation of Authorized Primary Signatories as presented. Mrs. Kathleen Daley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2015-3 FOR THE 2015 STREET PAVING JOINT BID (attachment)

Ø Mr. Bigley moved to approve Resolution # 2015-3, for The 2015 Street Paving Joint Bid as presented. Mrs. Mary Kay Mattocks seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2015-4 FOR THE 2015 SEAL COATING JOINT BID (attachment)

Ø Mr. Bigley moved to approve Resolution # 2015-4, for The 2015 Seal Coating Joint Bid as presented. Mr. Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION OF EASEMENT PROPOSAL FROM FIRST ENERGY - Mr. Vance Oakes

Ø Mr. Bigley moved to counter offer the \$10,000 proposal with \$15,000. Mr. Wood seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Upon acceptance of counter offer, carry forward to next month for Council approval.

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 1431- Amending Chapter 17, Sections 16, 22 and 34 of its Code of Ordinances entitled "Motor Vehicles and Traffic" (attachment)

Ø Mr. Bigley moved to approve the adoption of Ordinance 1431. Mr. Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER PURCHASE REQUEST: Electric Department request for purchase of a 2016 *Freightliner* bucket truck customized for department needs and specifications.

Ø Mr. Bigley moved to approve the purchase of a 2016 *Freighliner* bucket truck as presented in the Altec quote, dated March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Mr. Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER PURCHASE REQUEST: Public Works Department request for purchase of a *Pipehunter* Tandem Axle Sewer Flusher Trailer customized for department needs and specifications.

Ø Mr. Wood moved to approve the purchase of a *Pipehunter* Tandem Axle as presented in the US Municipal quote, dated March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2015. Mr. Hodge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER MEALY EXCAVATING & CONSTRUCTION, INC. McConnell Street Project Change Order #1 dated 3/2/15 in the amount of \$70,318.35 resulting in a contract sum increase of 9.29%

Ø Mr. Bigley moved to approve the Project Change Order #1 date 3/2/15 in the amount of \$70,318.35 as presented. Mr. Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ENGINEER'S REPORT – Gannett Fleming, Inc. represented by Mr. Dan Goncz:

- Wastewater Treatment Plant Rehabilitation Project – Phase III – Recommending payment of Requisition No. IIB-25 in the amount of \$10,146.00
- WWTB Boiler Replacement – Evaluating the cost to extend the gas line and add necessary valves and pressure
- Official Sewage Facilities Plan – Preparing the Basis of Design
- Pine Street Streetscape Project – Currently reviewing shop drawings submitted by the Contractor

Ø Mr. Myers moved to approve the payment of Requisition No. IIB-25 in the amount of \$10,146.00 for construction phase related engineering services in Phase III of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Rehabilitation Project. Mr. Black seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

JR. COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT – Mr. Foley:

- The United Way "Day of Caring" is schedule for Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The deadline for project request is Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT – Mr. Vance Oakes:

- Agreement with Grove City Little Eagles to build a restroom/storage building at Hunter Farm Park near the practice field. The storage room will have a separate electric meter.
- The Borough received a pledge card from Olde Town asking us to consider a gift of \$2,000.00 for local events – Council will consider after they have secured the exact cost of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration.
- USIS filed bankruptcy and sought relief on February 12<sup>th</sup> for their January Grove City Utility Bill in the amount of \$16,725.00. Mr. Oakes has met with Attorney Ray Barthomew who feels confident that the Borough will be able to collect future charges. USIS has a current bill for February in the amount of \$16,749.00. Mr. Oakes will report on this issue again next month.

Ø Mr. Coulter moved to approve an agreement with the Grove City Little Eagles Football Organization for the construction of a restroom/storage building at Hunter Farm Park. Mrs. Gallagher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT - Mayor Randy Riddle (with information from Chief Osborne):

- The new police cruiser has come in ahead of schedule and Filer Auto Body has completed the graphics on the car as a courtesy to the Borough.
- New Police Officer Jesse DePietro has started his in house training while we are still waiting to receive his certification number from the State.
- In 2015 the Borough will be participating in the Aggressive Driving Enforcement Program. The first session will run from March 23<sup>rd</sup> to May 3<sup>rd</sup> targeting behaviors that include speeding, running red lights, and tailgating.
- Currently there is an advertisement in the newspaper looking a part-time Crossing Guard.
- On February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 The Mercer County Republican Party held the annual Lincoln Day Dinner, an event that former Governor Tom Ridge attended as they honored retiring Senator Robbins and Representative Stevenson.
- On March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Mayor Riddle attended the Eagle Scout Ceremony for Dylan Nelson. Dylan is the son of former Council Member Scott Nelson.
- PSAB Annual Conference will be April 26<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015 located in Lancaster this year.

OTHER BUSINESS

None presented.

NEWS MEDIA

Council members were available to answer questions from member of the news media that were present.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for Council's consideration, the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tanya M. Pollard, Borough Secretary