

**BOROUGH OF GROVE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 17, 2017 7:00pm**

CALL TO ORDER by Council President, George Pokrant at 7:00 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRAYER: was offered by Council Member Mary Kay Mattocks

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	Bonner, Timothy (Solicitor)	X	Oakes, Vance (Boro Manager)
X	Daley, Kathleen	X	Pokrant, George (President)	X	Pollard, Tanya (Boro Secretary)
X	Myers, Shawn	X	Riddle, Randy (Mayor)	X	Goncz, Dan (Engineer)
X	Henry, James	X	Bigley, Joel (V-President)		
X	Hodge, Jeffrey	X	Wood, Todd		
Absent	Gallagher, Amy	X	Messer, Cammie (Jr Member)		
X	Jaillet, Scott	Absent	Boshaw, Maxwell (Jr Member)		

Council President, George Pokrant reported that Council met in Executive Session prior to this meeting to discuss a personnel matter and a matter of litigation.

REQUEST FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

- Mrs. Melody Brown of 309 Gilmore Avenue appeared before Council to ask for an extension of time to be in compliance with Ordinance No. 1443. Councilman Todd Wood suggested a one week extension. Councilwoman, Mary Kay Mattock added “with no more extensions”.
- Mr. Todd Wood moved to approve Mrs. Brown’s request for a one week extension with no more extensions. Mr. Shawn Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Mr. Lee McCracken of 525 Oak Hill Drive introduced himself to Council and announced that he would be running for Mayor. He provided Council with a PowerPoint presentation of why he wants to be Mayor.

APPROVAL OF ‘BILLS PAID’ REPORT

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

APPROVAL OF ‘BILLS-TO-BE-PAID’ REPORT

- Mr. Shawn Myers moved to approve the ‘Bills to be Paid’ report. Mr. James Henry seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES from Regular Meeting on April 17, 2017

- Mrs. Mary Kay Mattocks moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on April 17, 2017 with the spelling correction of Mr. Oakes name. Mr. Shawn Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

GROVE CITY COMMUNITY LIBRARY REPORT

Mrs. Heather Baker reported on the events planned for the Grove City Community Library. Mrs. Baker announced that Mrs. Kimberly Barbara will be resigning in May to move back to Oregon.

CONSIDER EVENT REQUEST: GROVE CITY POLICE ASSOCIATION DONUT DASH 5K- To be held Saturday, July 22, 2017 In Memorial Park to begin at 9:00 am; end at approx. 11:00am.

- Mr. Jeffrey Hodge moved to approve the Grove City Police Association Donut Dash 5K event request submitted by Mr. Rob Steese to be held on Saturday, July 22, 2017 in Memorial Park from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. Mr. Todd Wood seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER EVENT REQUEST: GROVE CITY HIGH SCHOOL WELLNESS CLUB COLOR DASH– To be held Saturday, June 24, 2017 in Memorial Park beginning at 7:30 pm; end at approx. 10:30 pm in.

- **Mr. Jeffrey Hodge moved to approve the event request submitted by Derek Lettich on behalf of the Grove City High School Wellness Club to sponsor a Color Dash 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, June 24, 2017 from 7:30 pm to approximately 10:30 pm. Mr. Todd Wood seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

CONSIDER EVENT REQUEST: BENEFIT RACE FOR ST. JUDE CHILDREN’S RESEARCH HOSPITAL– To be held on Saturday June 3, 2017 along Greenwood Drive and Hunter Farm Park starting at 9:00 am. Requested by James Highland.

- **Mr. Scott Jaillet moved to approve the event request submitted by James Highland to hold a Benefit Race for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital on June 3, 2017 starting at 9:00 am along Greenwood Road and Hunter Farm Park. Mr. Shawn Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

CONSIDER AMENDMENT TO WASTEWATER TREATMENT SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN GROVE CITY, HARRISEVILLE AND MERCER

- **Mr. Joel Bigley moved to approve the Amendment to the Wastewater Treatment Service Agreement between Grove City, Harrisville and Mercer. Mr. Scott Jaillet seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

CONSIDER FINAL PAYMENT TO THOMAS CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$31,220.34 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE AIRPORT FUEL FACILITIES

- **Mr. Todd Wood moved to approve the final payment to Thomas Construction in the amount of \$31,220.34 for improvements to the airport fuel facilities. Mr. Shawn Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

CONSIDER BIDS FOR THE GREENSAND FILTER REHABILITATION PROJECT

- **Mr. Todd Wood moved to award the Greensand Filter Rehabilitation Project to the lowest bidder H2O Specialty Service, Inc. in the amount of \$148,210.00. Mr. Scott Jaillet seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 1445 CONTINUING THE BOROUGH OF GROVE CITY POLICE PENSION

- **Mr. Shawn Myers moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1445 Continuing The Borough of Grove City Police Pension. Mrs. Amy Gallagher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2017-6 IN DEFENSE OF BOROUGH ELECTRIC SYSTEMS

- **Mr. James Henry moved to approve Resolution No. 2017-6 In Defense of Borough Electric Systems. Mr. Joel Bigley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

CONSIDER VOTING DELEGATE FOR PSAB ANNUAL CONFERENCE

- **Mr. Todd Wood moved to designate Mayor Riddle as the delegate and Mrs. Amy Gallagher as the alternate delegate. Mrs. Mary Kay Mattocks seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

ENGINEER’S REPORT – Gannett Fleming, Inc.:

- The input from the March meeting with the operations staff was incorporated into the latest set of design drawings for Phase IV of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion Project. The environmental permit applications that will be submitted on April 18, 2017 include the Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan and the NPDES Stormwater Discharges Associated with Construction Activities Permit. Gannett Fleming anticipates submitting the Water Quality Management Part II Permit Application to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection in June 2017.
- Gannett Fleming requested some additional water production information for the existing water treatment plants and have begun preparing the Water System Master Plan Update. A July 2017 completion date is anticipated.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT – Mr. Vance Oakes:

- Borough Manager, Vance Oakes reported that American Legal has provided a first draft of the new Borough Code Book for review and comment. He noted that he will be completing this review and sending his comments to American Legal over the next few weeks.
- Mr. Oakes stated that we have received approximately forty applications for the Public Works position that was advertised. He will be reviewing these applications with the Public Works Director, Barry Spiker this week and start to schedule interviews with applicants.
- The 2017 Street Paving Project is currently out for bid. Mr. Oakes anticipates having the bid results for Council's consideration at the May meeting.
- The Greenwood Drive restoration project will be going back out for bids. Our Public Works crew will be installing the catch basins and storm sewer pipe so that the contract can be limited to placing the rip-rap stone on the bank of Wolf Creek and pouring the extended depth concrete curbing.
- Mr. Oakes noted that work is nearing completion on the new picnic shelter at Memorial Park.

JR. COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT

- Jr. Council Person, Cammie Messer reported that the Grove City Bocce Ball Team won a State Title in Hershey on March 24th, 2017. The bocce league includes special needs students a paired up with non-disabled students. Grove City is one of the first schools to compete in the program with two teams each consisting of 8 team members. The program is part of the Special Olympics Interscholastic Unified Sports Program.

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

- Mayor Riddle presented Council with his 1st quarter wedding report. No weddings were performed.
- Mayor Riddle presented two proclamations on April 5, 2017. The recipients were Jane and Gary Smith and the Grove City Medical Center.
- Mayor Riddle presented two proclamations at an Eagle Ceremony at Center Church on Saturday April 8. They were presented to Nicholas Filer, a third generation Eagle Scout and Joshua Woodman.
- The Mayor is working with the Jr. Council Committee to prepare a PowerPoint presentation for the convention this month.
- Mayor Riddle and Councilwoman Amy Gallagher will be speaking to the sophomore class at Grove City High School about the Jr. Council Person Program.
- On March 30th Mayor Riddle and some members of Council attended an open house and tour of the GE facilities on Rt. 208.
- Chief Osborne returned from the FBI National Academy on Friday, March 17. The Chief's selected classes were Essentials for Law Enforcement Leaders, Overview of Forensic Science. Stress Management in Law Enforcement, Contemporary Drug Issues, Emotional Intelligence and of course physical fitness. The Chief noted that one of the main focuses of the entire program was self-reflection and how to become a better leader at our agencies but more importantly a total reassessment of our career/personal life relationship.
- On April 8th Chief Osborne and other Grove City Police Officers hosted "Coffee with a Cop" at Beans on Broad Street. There were approximately 20 attendees and it was a positive experience.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Mr. Todd Wood expressed his thanks to Farmers National Bank for sponsoring the Easter Egg Hunt in Memorial Park. He also voiced his appreciation for the new zero-turn lawn mower at the Grove City Airport. Mr. Wood noted that during the Relay for Life Event on July 28 and 29th the teams will be using contained fire pits for camp fires.
- Councilwoman, Mary Kay Mattocks commended Ms. Cammie Messer for a great job as director of the Grove City High School's production of the Little Mermaid.
- Mrs. Amy Gallagher conveyed her thanks to the Grove City Fire and Police Departments for the escort they provided for the Bocce Ball Team coming back from Hershey.
- Mayor Riddle reminded Council of the Mercer County Borough Association meeting on April 27th, 2017.

NEWS MEDIA

Council members answered questions from members of the news media that were present.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for Council's consideration, the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tanya M. Pollard,
Borough Secretary