

**BOROUGH OF GROVE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MAY 17, 2021 7:00pm**

CALL TO ORDER by Council President, Mary Kay Mattocks 7:00 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRAYER: was offered by **Mr. Vincent DiStasi**

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	Absent	Bonner, Timothy (Solicitor)	X	Oakes, Vance (Boro Manager)
Absent	Daley, Kathleen	X	DiStasi, Vincent	X	Pollard, Tanya (Boro Secretary)
X	Myers, Shawn	X	Riddle, Randy (Mayor)	Absent	Goncz, Dan (Engineer)
X	Henry, James	X	Bigley, Joel (Vice-Pres)	X	Bonner, Ryan
X	Hodge, Jeffrey	Absent	Zimmerman, William		
X	Gallagher, Amy	X	Oakes, Alex (Jr. Council)		
X	Jaillet, Scott	Absent	Foley, Hannah (Jr. Council)		

REQUEST FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

- Mr. Jim Thrasher, 330 W. Main Street, thanked Council for their dedication and work that benefits the Borough. He asked that Council consider re-paving the alley between Elm and Stewart Street.
- Ms. Jennifer Shelly, 920 Sunset Street, is the High School Volleyball Coach at Grove City High School. She is proposing raising funds to build a grass volleyball court at Hunter Farm Park. It was referred to the Parks and Recreation Committee for consideration. Solicitor Tim Bonner suggested looking at any available grant funding.
- Chief Dean Osborne addressed Council as a candidate for District Judge and encouraged everyone to get out and vote. He is running his campaign on honesty, integrity, and commitment. He has enjoyed getting out and meeting with people. He
- Mr. Michael Peck asked Council to consider his request for the Grove City Education Foundation 5K to be held in Memorial Park on Saturday, June 26, 2021 from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM.
- Mr. Jim Highland asked Council to consider his request to hold the 11th Annual St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital 5K River Race to be held on Saturday, August 28, 2021 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am on Greenwood Drive and the Hunter Farm Park trail.

Solicitor Tim Bonner recommended that Council grant Borough Manger, Vance Oakes the authority to manage and address all events and make recommendation. This would greatly streamline the process during meetings.

- **Mr. Shawn Myers moved to approve granting the Borough Manger, Vance Oakes the authority to manage and address all events and make recommendation. Mr. James Henry seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

APPROVAL OF ‘BILLS PAID’ REPORT

- **Mr. Shawn Myers moved to approve the ‘Bills Paid’ report. Mr. Scott Jaillet 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. Vincent DiStasi seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES from the April 19, 2021 Regular Meeting and the April 29, 2021 Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting.

- **Mr. Shawn Myers moved to approve the minutes from the April 19, 2021 Regular Meeting and the April 29, 2021 Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting. Ms. Kathleen Daley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

GROVE CITY LIBRARY REPORT

Ms. Amy Gallagher reported that the Library has received the insurance money to make necessary repairs.

CONSIDER 2021 STREET PAVING BIDS

- **Mr. Joel Bigley moved to approve Shields Asphalt Paving low bid on Option B in the amount of \$165,661.90. Mr. Shawn Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

CONSIDER MOU WITH THE GROVE CITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

- **Mr. Vincent DiStasi moved to approve the MOU with the Grove City School District. Mr. Jeffrey Hodge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

CONSIDER PINE TOWNSHIP REQUEST FOR SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION AT 193 CRANBERRY ROAD, OWNED BY BEN HUSBAND

- **Mr. Shawn Myers moved to approve Pine Township's request for sanitary sewer extension at 193 Cranberry Road, owned by Ben Husband. Mr. Joel Bigley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

CONSIDER POLE ATTACHMENT AGREEMENT WITH CROWN CASTLE FIBER, LLC

- **Mr. Shawn Myers moved to approve the pole attachment agreement with Crown Castle Fiber, LLC. Mr. James Henry seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

CONSIDER REVISING CDBG CARES SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS PROGRAM TO ELIMINATE THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE FUNDING PER APPLICANT

- **Mr. Scott Jaillet moved to approve revising the CDBG CARES Small Business Assistance Grants Program to eliminate the maximum allowable funding per applicant and to re-advertise with a \$10,000.00 limit. Mr. Shawn Myers seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

CONSIDER AWARD OF CDBG CARES SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS

- Recommend Award to Rich Marshall, Grove City Dry Cleaners in the amount of \$35,000
- Recommend Award to Anna Sprando, Designs by Anna in the amount of \$29,432
- Recommend No Award to Emily & Joseph Funte, Collage Coffee Company, LLC based on review and report provided by Penn Northwest

No action was taken due to the motion to re-advertise with a \$10,000.00 limit.

ENGINEERS REPORT presented by Borough Manager, Daniel Goncz

Water Treatment Plant

On April 20, 2021 Gannett Fleming received the aquifer testing report from Groundwater Resources for Well Nos. 8, 9 and 10 that are located in Memorial Park. The well's quality of water is similar to that of Well No. 7 already in use by the Borough. Groundwater Resources indicated that they anticipate having a conceptual design for making the test wells production wells later this month. Gannett Fleming will be using this information to complete the design of the water treatment plant for permit submissions to PaDEP.

Gannett Fleming anticipates the following schedule for project completion:

PaDEP Permit Submission	July 2021
Receipt of all Permits	December 2021
Advertisement for Bids	January 2022
Receipt of Bids	February 2022
Notice-to-Proceed	April 2022
Completion of Construction	October 2023
Water Treatment Plant Commissioning	February 2024

Water Distribution System Improvements

On May 5, 2021 we conducted the preconstruction meeting for the Water System Improvements Project. Meeting minutes are on file with the Borough and attendance included representatives of PennDOT and the Mercer County Conservation District. The contractor, Advanced Contracting, provided a schedule that we will have posted on the Borough's website. A copy of the schedule is attached to this report. The Borough Manager is sending letters to customers in advance of the project and PennDOT indicated that they will be doing a media blast regarding the construction work scheduled for Main Street and South Center Street. The contractor anticipates starting work along Spring Street the week of May 17, 2021 before starting the night work on Main Street.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT presented by Borough Manager, Vance Oakes

- Borough Manager, Vance Oakes spoke to Mr. Mike Baun, the Grove City Airport Manager, about the start of work on the proposed new hanger. Mr. Baun has signed an agreement with Thomas Construction to begin work this summer on the new hangar. Mr. Baun has asked that Council review the lease agreement and extend the deadline for completion due to unforeseen circumstances due to the pandemic.
 - Mr. Wayland, the owner of the Flat Iron Building and the house next to it located on the corner of Lincoln and N. Broad Street has decided to abandon his plans to renovate the properties. He has been required by the PA DEP to hire an asbestos abatement specialist to survey the building for the existence of any asbestos containing material before demolition. Mr. Wayland has signed a contract with asbestos abate contractor to remove the material found in his building. Work is to begin on June 10, 2021 and is expected to take three days to complete. Once the asbestos work is completed Atwell & Perrine Excavating is proposing to start work on razing the buildings on June 19, 2021. The first day of work will require closing the street to traffic but after that they believe they can finish the work with only minimal intermittent lane closures.
- **Mr. Shawn Myers moved to approve the demolishing of both buildings on June 10, 2021 subject to court approval. Mr. Scott Jaillet seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Mr. Jeffry Hodge abstained.**

JUNIOR COUNCIL REPORT – Junior Council Member, Hannah Foley

- The Grove City High School Senior Talent Show will on June 3, 2021.
- Grove City High School Graduation will be held at Forker Field on June 4, 2021 at 7:00 PM. A rain date of June 5, 2021 has been set.
- Parents have organized an outdoor “carnival style” prom at the Keystone Safari to be held on June 5, 2021.
- Mayor Randy Riddle presented Junior Council Person, Hannah Foley with an award for her service the last two years and congratulated her on her upcoming graduation.

MAYORS REPORT presented by Mayor Randy Riddle

- On April 24, 2021 two Eagle Scouts were presented with proclamations by the Mayor in Memorial Park. Evan Scott McCreary was commended on his Eagle Scout project of the construction of a portable train display for Tower Church Outreach Ministries. Corey Jacob Medve was commended on his Eagle Scout project of the construction of the coat cubbies for the Little Disciples Preschool.
- Saturday, May 15, 2021 Girl Scout Troop 36642 held a ribbon cutting ceremony at Meadows Park.
- PSAB continues to hold their Board Meetings via Zoom.
- Hall Industries continues it's clean up of the old Cooper Commons.
- Chief Osborne will be launching a Bike Safety Program this summer.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Olde Town Grove City is proposing to host the Farmers Market in Memorial Park starting this year to accommodate the growth of more vendors.
- **Mr. moved to approve the relocation of the Farmers Market to Memorial Park starting this year to accommodate the growth of more vendors. Mr. Vincent DiStasi seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**
- The proposed bike pump track location has been moved from Pine Grove Circle in Memorial Park to near the mine hills in the Park.
 - Strawberry Days will be held in Memorial Park June 11-13, 2021.
 - All 5K race requests will now be approved by Borough Manager Vance Oakes and will take place in one location that does not interfere with traffic.

NEWS MEDIA

Council was available to answer questions from the media.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully,

Tanya M. Pollard
Borough Secretary