

**BOROUGH OF GROVE CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING
May 19, 2025 at 6:30PM**

CALL TO ORDER PUBLIC HEARING by Council President, Mary K. Mattocks at 6:36PM

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)	Absent	Oakes, Vance (Boro Manager)
X	Morley, Shawn	X	DiStasi, Vincent	X	Pokrant, Taylor (Asst. Man)
X	Eakin, Patrick	X	Riddle, Randy (Mayor)	Absent	Goncz, Dan (Engineer)
X	Henry, James	X	Bigley, Joel (Vice-Pres)		
X	Hodge, Jeffrey	Absent	Zimmerman, William		
X	Hoffman, Jared	Absent	Myford, Elle (Jr. Council)		
X	Jaillet, Scott	Absent	Smith, Alex (Jr. Council)		

HEARING FOR ORDINANCE 1505 VACATING A PUBLIC ALLEY BETWEEN 112 S. BROAD AND 116 S. BROAD STREET

- Mr. Pokrant provided a summary of the ordinance. Mr. Pokrant explained that this would allow for the vacation of the referenced alley. Several Council members commented that they had visited the site and concerns were raised regarding the use as a recreation space and possible future uses.

ADJOURNMENT

- Ms. Mattocks requested additional comments, hearing none, the hearing was adjourned at 6:48PM.

CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING by Council President, Mary K. Mattocks at 7:03PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRAYER: was offered by Ms. Mary K. 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	Absent	Bonner, Timothy (Solicitor)	Absent	Oakes, Vance (Boro Manager)
X	Morley, Shawn	X	DiStasi, Vincent	X	Pokrant, Taylor (Secretary)
X	Eakin, Patrick	X	Riddle, Randy (Mayor)	X	Goncz, Dan (Engineer)
X	Henry, James	X	Bigley, Joel (Vice-Pres)		
X	Hodge, Jeffrey	Absent	Zimmerman, William		
X	Hoffman, Jared	X	Myford, Elle (Jr. Council)		
X	Jaillet, Scott	X	Smith, Alex (Jr. Council)		

REQUEST FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

- Ms. Anna Sprando, 128 South Center Street, expressed her desire to have the alley annulled that is in between her buildings. Ms. Mattocks thanked her for her comment and mentioned that the matter had been referred to the Infrastructure Committee for further discussion.

COUNCIL MEMBER REQUEST TO ADD ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

- None

APPROVAL OF 'BILLS PAID' REPORT

- Mr. Jared Hoffman 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. Scott Jaillet moved to approve the 'Bills to be Paid' report. Mr. Pat Eakin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM REGULAR MEETING ON APRIL 21, 2025 AND PUBLIC HEARING/SPECIAL MEETING ON MAY 12, 2025

- Mr. Pat Eakin moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Shawn Morley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER ORDINANCE 1505 VACATING A PUBLIC ALLEY BETWEEN 112 S. BROAD STREET AND 116 S. BROAD STREET

- Ms. Mattocks requested a motion, hearing none, no action was taken.

CONSIDER STREET PAVING BIDS

- Mr. Pokrant explained that Shields Asphalt Paving was the low bidder at \$205,335.50. Mr. Pokrant recommended that the bid be accepted as it is approximately \$25,000 under budget.
- Mr. Vince DiStasi moved to approve the bids, awarding the contract to Shields Asphalt Paving. Mr. Jared Hoffman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER CDBG FUNDING CHANGES AS FOLLOWS:

- Consider Moving 2023 CDBG Funds from Housing Rehabilitation to the Memorial Park Trail Project and the Edgewood Ave Curb Ramp Project
- Consider Moving 2024 CDBG Funds from the College/Elm Street Sidewalk to the Edgewood Ave Curb Ramp Project
- Consider Intent to include College/Elm Street Sidewalk Project for the 2025 CDBG Application
- Mr. Pokrant explained that these changes had been discussed prior but could be acted on now that the public hearing was completed last week. Mr. Pokrant explained that these changes will allow the Borough to complete the Memorial Park Trail Project and the Edgewood Ave Curb Ramp project, while putting the College Ave Project off for another year.
- Mr. Scott Jaillet moved to approve the CDBG modifications. Mr. Pat Eakin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER RESIGNATION OF TOM GREGG FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2025-10 APPOINTING JOSEPH PISANO TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION

- Mr. Pokrant reported that Mr. Gregg is resigning due to his pending move out of the Borough and that Mr. Pisano has volunteered to serve on the commission.
- Mr. Jeff Hodge moved to accept the resignation of Mr. Gregg with regret and approve Resolution 2025-10. Mr. Vince DiStasi seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER LIBERTY TOWNSHIP'S REQUEST FOR WATER AND SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION TO 302 NICKLAUS COURT, GROVE CITY, PA, OWNED BY ANCO DEVELOPMENT LLC

- Mr. Goncz reported that the capacity existed for this request.
- Mr. Jeff Hodge moved to approve the water and sewer extension. Mr. Vince DiStasi seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSIDER PINE TOWNSHIP'S REQUESTS FOR UTILITY SERVICE EXTENSIONS AS FOLLOWS:

- WATER AND SEWER SERVICE EXTENSION TO VILLAGE PARK DRIVE, OWNED BY VIPA LAND DEVELOPMENT
- WATER AND SEWER SERVICE EXTENSION TO 201 JONE COURT, OWNED BY ARNCO DEVELOPMENT
- SEWER SERVICE EXTENSION TO 356 AIRPORT ROAD, OWNED BY RACHEL GILMORE
- Mr. Goncz confirmed capacity for all of the requests.
- **Mr. Jared Hoffman moved to approve the utility extensions. Mr. Jim Henry seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

ENGINEER'S REPORT, PRESENTED BY DAN GONCZ

- Mr. Goncz reported that the components at the water treatment plant have been manually tested and that next week it will be turned to automatic, and the plant will go through the full process to make water and waste it. Mr. Goncz reported that grading work has been completed and that the pavilion has been removed. Mr. Goncz recommended payment of all pay requests.
- **Mr. Pat Eakin moved to approve payment requests from Gannet Fleming for construction observation and design in the amounts of \$6,785, 6,940, \$275, \$975, and \$985, from Global Heavy Corporation in the amount of \$37,262.11 and from McCurley-Houston in the amount of \$32,109.07. Mr. Vince DiStasi seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**
- Mr. Goncz reported that the phase 2 water treatment plant project had gone out to bid with the low bidders being Global Heavy and McCurley-Houston on the general and electrical contract respectively. Mr. Goncz reported that sufficient funds were available to pay for the project and recommended that the bids be approved contingent upon DCED approval due to the use of grant funds.
- **Mr. Joel Bigley moved to bids, awarding the contract to Global Heavy and McCurley Houston for the general and electrical contract respectively contingent upon approval by DCED. Mr. Scott Jaillet seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT PRESENTED BY TAYLOR POKRANT, ASSISTANT BOROUGH MANAGER

- Mr. Pokrant reported that the RFP process for the non-uniform pension administrative and actuarial services is continuing with three of the six firms selected for interviews. The executive committee will interview the firms and report back to Council.
- Mr. Pokrant reported that Grove City College has been approved for the RK Mellon Grant for the downtown revitalization planning project, with updates to come.
- Mr. Pokrant reported that the pool is set to open on June 6th, despite the leak.
- Mr. Pokrant reported that the Grove City Youth Soccer Association will hold their ribbon cutting on June 7th from 12:30-1:30PM for their new concession stand building and would like to extend an invitation to Borough Council.

JR. COUNCIL REPORT PRESENTED BY JUNIOR COUNCILPERSON, ELLE MYFORD AND ALEX SMITH

- Ms. Myford noted that the Boys Track Team won first place at districts. Ms. Myford reported that prom went well and that next week is the last week of school.
- Mr. Smith reported that AP exams were finished last Friday.
- Mayor Riddle honored Ms. Myford and Mr. Smith as it was their final meeting due to graduation.

MAYORS REPORT PRESENTED BY MAYOR RANDY RIDDLE

- Mayor Riddle shared that over the last month he attended the following events:
 - 4/24- Mercer County Boroughs Association Meeting
 - 4/25 and 4/29- PSAB conference calls
 - 5/14- Local government presentation at Hillview
 - 5/19 -Presented proclamations for new record holders for the boys and girls track team.
- Mayor Riddle reported that he has the following events upcoming:

- 5/20- Primary election
- 5/23- Trigonomotree planting
- 5/25- Memorial Day service at Crestview Cemetery
- 5/29- Representative Bonner Legislative Update event
- 5/30-6/4- PSAB Conference
- Mayor Riddle shared that Officer Melnik and Foreback have completed their training and are on their own. Mayor Riddle also reported that Officer Bennett is back from his injury and the department is now fully staffed.
- Mayor Riddle with Chief Allias reported that the Bicycle Rodeo is planned for Saturday at Memorial Park. Ms. Mattocks thanked the police and fire departments for their escorts of High School teams after winning districts. Chief Allias reported that the radar sign has been moved to East Pine Street to slow the additional traffic due to the bridge closure.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Mr. Jaillet thanked the Electric Department for a quick response to an electrical outage that occurred a few weeks ago.
- Mr. Hoffman questioned Chief Allias as to whether anything could be done to manage the traffic at Madison and East Main Street that has resulted from the bridge closure. Chief Allias stated that there is not much that can be done and urged patience.

NEWS MEDIA

- Borough Council was available for questions.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53PM.

Respectfully,

Taylor G. Pokrant, Assistant Borough Manager