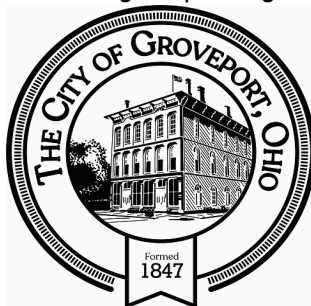


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## Meeting Minutes

**Monday, July 15, 2024**

**5:30 PM**

**Council Chambers**

## **Committee of the Whole**

***Mayor Lance Westcamp***

***Council Members - Jean Ann Hilbert, Ed Dildine, Shawn Cleary, Becky Hutson, Scott Lockett & Jack Rupp***

**I. Call to Order**

Committee Chair Dildine called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Staff Present: Kevin Shannon - Law Director, Jason Carr - Finance Director, Michael Loges - Development Director, Kurt Blevins - Police Captain, Mindy Kay - Clerk of Council

Guests Present: The Guest Book is on file with the Clerk of Council.

**II. Moment of Silence**

*Committee Chair Dildine asked everyone to join him in a moment of silence.*

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

*Captain Blevins led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**IV. Roll Call**

**Absent:** 1 - Rupp

**Present:** 5 - Dildine, Hutson, Lockett, Hilbert, and Cleary

**V. Approval of Minutes**

*The May 20, 2024 Committee of the Whole Minutes stand approved as submitted.*

[#131-2024](#) May 20, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

**Attachments:** [2024.05.20 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

**VI. Business of Guests****A. Madison Township Representative**

[#132-2024](#) MTFD Monthly Report

**Attachments:** [MTFD Monthly Report.pdf](#)

**B. Steven Spencer - Better Safe Project**

Steven Spencer of Bearcat Home Improvement spoke in regards to The Better Safe Project that he and his wife cofounded. He explained

that The Better Safe Project is based on the need to change the statistics on the number of house fires. He said that being in the home improvement business, one of his main goals is to make sure people have adequate fire prevention safety equipment in their homes. One of the things people often overlook is their smoke detectors, which are supposed to be changed once every ten years. Many homes also do not have fire extinguishers. Mr. Spencer stated The Better safe Project is seeking grants and donations from local entities to help with its startup and asked for Council's endorsement. He explained he would like to start the project here in Groveport and it's first goal is to install 10,000 units into Groveport homes. Mrs. Hilbert said she'd like for Mr. Spencer to talk with Administrator King when he gets back into the office. Mr. Dildine suggested he reach out to Chief Robinson at the Madison Township Fire Department as well.

**VII. New Business**

**VIII. Unfinished Business**

**IX. Ordinances and Resolutions**

**A. 3rd Readings**

**B. 2nd Readings**

[Ord. 2024-031](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART ONE - ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, CHAPTER 143, EMPLOYEES GENERALLY OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GROVEPORT, OHIO

**Sponsors:** Lockett

**Attachments:** [Ord. 2024-031 Exhibit A revised.pdf](#)

Law Director Shannon stated this ordinance is based on the motion Council had made due to the inconsistency of sick leave use, sick leave eligibility, and the sick leave donation program. He read aloud the proposed language that would make it consistent. He confirmed with Council that the Observed Holiday Section does currently include Juneteenth and read aloud the additional language that Mr. Dildine had requested to include any State recognized holidays created in the future. Mrs. Hilbert asked that the language include Federally recognized holidays. Mr. Shannon and Council concluded to make the motion to change the language to include Federally recognized holidays at the next Council Meeting.

**A motion was made by Council Member Hilbert, seconded by Council Member**

Lockett, to recommend approval to the City Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Dildine, Hutson, Lockett, Hilbert, and Cleary

## **X. Financial Report**

Finance Director Carr gave highlights from the Financial Report.

[#133-2024](#) Financial Report

## **XI. Other Business**

## **XII. Reports**

### **A. Mayor - Lance Westcamp**

Mayor Westcamp thanked Clerk of Council Kay, who had been cross training with the Clerk of Courts in order to fill in during her maternity leave. He expressed his appreciation for their teamwork.

### **B. Administrator - BJ King**

### **C. Director of Law - Kevin Shannon**

### **D. Director of Finance - Jason Carr**

Mr. Carr stated that the Tax Budget resolution needs to be passed at next Monday's Council meeting and confirmed with Ms. Kay that the Public Hearing will be held at 6:15pm.

### **E. Chief of Police - Casey Adams**

Captain Blevins spoke about a condo fire on Cypress Grove. He said everyone got out safely and the Madison Township Fire Department and the Columbus Fire Department made an amazing response.

[#134-2024](#) PD Council Report

Attachments: [PD Council Report.pdf](#)

### **F. Economic Development Director - Michael Loges**

[#135-2024](#) EDEV Council Report

**Attachments:**     [EDEV Council Report.pdf](#)

**G.     Public Services Director - Brian Strayer**

[#136-2024](#)     PS Council Report

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**H.     Chief Building Official - Mike Poirier**

[#137-2024](#)     B&Z Council Report

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**I.     Director of Golf - Tom Walker**

[#138-2024](#)     GOLF Council Report

**Attachments:**     [GOLF Council Report.pdf](#)

**J.     Recreation Director - Seth Bowers**

[#139-2024](#)     REC Council Report

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**K.     Community Affairs Director - Jessica Wyke**

[#140-2024](#)     CA Council Report

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**L.     City Engineer - Steve Farst**

[#141-2024](#)     ENG Council Report

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**M.     Director of Transportation / Senior Services - Bob Dowler**

[#142-2024](#)     DOT Council Report

**Attachments:**     [DOT Council Report.pdf](#)

**N. Personnel Director / Human Resources - Joyce Myers**

[#143-2024](#) HR Council Report

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**O. Director of Information Technology - Trevor Swackhamer****P. Clerk of Council - Mindy Kay****Q. Council Members - Jean Ann Hilbert, Ed Dildine, Shawn Cleary, Becky Hutson, Scott Lockett and Jack Rupp****XIII. Adjournment**

Council Member Cleary made a motion, seconded by Council Member Hilbert, to adjourn at 5:58 p.m. All in favor stated AYE, None Opposed. Motion passed.

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Edward Dildine, President Pro Tem

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Mindy Kay  
Clerk of Council

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