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Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 23, 2014

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

City Council

Mayor Lance Westcamp

*Council Members - Ed Rarey, Jean Ann Hilbert,
Donna Drury, Ed Dildine, Shawn Cleary & Becky Hutson*

I. Call to Order

by Mayor Westcamp at 6:30 p.m.

Staff Present: Kevin Shannon - Law Director, Jeff Green - Director of Finance, Ralph Portier - Chief of Police

Staff Not Present: Marsha Hall - Administrator

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

II. Moment of Silence

The Mayor asked everyone to join him in a moment of silence.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Chief Portier led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Roll Call

Present: 6 - Council Member Cleary, Council Member Dildine, Council Member Drury, Council Member Hilbert, Council Member Hutson, and Council Member Rarey

V. Approval of Minutes - June 9, 2014

Approved as submitted.

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Attachments: [Council Meeting Minutes 6-9-14.pdf](#)

VI. Business of Guests

None

VII. Ordinances and Resolutions**A. 3rd Readings**

[ORD. 14-022](#)

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE RECODIFICATION, EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF GROVEPORT, OHIO AND THE DECLARATION OF AN

EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Drury

Law Director Kevin Shannon advised Council Ordinance No. 14-022 has already had three readings and emergency language is written into the body of the ordinance. He requests Council consider making a motion to adopt as emergency legislation so the Ordinance will go into effect immediately as it pertains to the City's Codified Ordinances.

The Clerk of Council read by title Ordinance No. 14-022. A motion was made by Council Member Hilbert, seconded by Council Member Cleary, to adopt as emergency legislation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Cleary, Dildine, Drury, Hilbert, Hutson and Rarey

[ORD. 14-023](#)

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE ANNEXATION OF 9.6 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, PARCEL NUMBERS 180-001052, 180-001048, AND 180-003042, LOCATED IN MADISON TOWNSHIP UPON ANNEXATION OF SAID TRACT TO THE CITY OF GROVEPORT (JACKSON B. REYNOLDS, III, AGENT FOR PETITIONERS)

Sponsors: Drury

The Clerk of Council read by title Ordinance No. 14-023. A motion was made by Council Member Cleary, seconded by Council Member Dildine, to adopt. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Cleary, Dildine, Drury, Hilbert, Hutson and Rarey

B. 2nd Readings

[ORD. 14-024](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 123.07, DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PROPERTY, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GROVEPORT

Sponsors: Cleary

Attachments: [ORD. 14-024 123.07 Exhibit A.pdf](#)

The Clerk of Council read by title Ordinance No. 14-024.

C. 1st Readings

[ORD. 14-025](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART NINE - STREETS, UTILITIES AND PUBLIC SERVICES CODE, TITLE FIVE - OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES, CHAPTER 941 PARKS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GROVEPORT

Sponsors: Rarey

Attachments: [ORD. 14-025 Exhibit A .pdf](#)

The Clerk of Council read by title Ordinance No. 14-025. This Ordinance was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

VIII. Reports**A. Mayor - Lance Westcamp**

Mayor Westcamp encouraged everyone to invite any local veterans to join the 4th of July parade as Grand Marshalls.

B. Administrator - Marsha Hall

Not Present

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Adm Report to Council - June 23

Attachments: [Adm Report to Council - June 23.pdf](#)
[HR June 9 - 13 2014.pdf](#)

C. Chief of Police - Ralph Portier

Chief Portier informed Council of the passing of Madison Township Police Chief, Michael Ratliff on June 22, 2014. He relayed the dates and times of the arrangements.

D. Director of Finance - Jeff Green

Finance Director Jeff Green advised Council he has been called to serve for jury duty and will be out of the office for the week. He informed Council building plans have been submitted for the last piece of property behind Kubota for Excel, who runs the Toys R Us facility.

E. Director of Law - Kevin Shannon

Law Director Kevin Shannon advised Council the City has

received notification from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control of a party intending to open an establishment at 220 Main St, the old pharmacy building. It appears to be a Moose Lodge; Loom Lodge 1245 Whitehall, DBA Moose Lodge 1245. The four officers of the organization; Dennis Smith, Bill Rose, Ken Fridley and Greg Hughes had background checks run by Chief Portier with nothing coming back out of line. This is the City's opportunity to have a hearing on the matter in front of the Division of Liquor Control as to the advisability of issuing the liquor permit. The City's intent as to a hearing needs to be submitted by July 7, 2014. Mr. Shannon talked with Chief Building Official, Stephen Moore and apparently they have stopped in to speak with Mr. Moore of their desire to open their lodge on Main Street. Mr. Moore advised they could apply, but they will have to go through the City's process of our Planning & Zoning with respect to their occupancy of the building for that purpose. A use variance will have to be approved by Council; currently the approved use of the building is a church. They will have to conform to the building code as to anything they are going to do there. Even if the City doesn't object to the issuance of the liquor permit, it does not mean they will necessarily be able to open their establishment there if they do not comply with our regulations. Council Member Hilbert asked if this permit will affect the City's license. Mr. Shannon stated no, the City is in good shape as it relates to that matter. The Division of Liquor Control sent the City a letter asking what the status was of the Front and Main Street project. It was indicated to them that there is more than an interest, there is actually a significant movement towards the second building that starts construction in the latter part of the fall of this year. Council Member Dildine asked if the lodge did not have to go in front of the voters for this liquor permit. Mr. Shannon advised when there is a permit available the matter does not have to go to the voters. After further discussion, Council determined no hearing was necessary. Council Member Rarey raised the possibility of traffic and parking problems in what he considers to be primarily a residential area. Chief Portier advised most smaller, private organizations often set up in residential areas and the matters of traffic and parking have never been an issue. The department will look for any signs of potential problems if the organization does occupy the building.

F. Council Members - Ed Rarey, Jean Ann Hilbert, Donna Drury, Ed Dildine, Shawn Cleary & Becky Hutson

Council Member Cleary commented on the serious accidents that have occurred in the last couple of weeks. Council Member Hilbert raised the matter of a turn lane on Groveport Road to turn left into the recreation center.

Council Member Drury reported the Summer Free Lunch Program started June 9th and at the end of last week they had served over 1200 lunches. The site here in Groveport has really stepped up this year with a lot of children coming for a free meal.

Council Member Cleary commented on the loss of Madison Township Police Chief, Mike Ratliff, stating he was a class act, a good man who served 34 years with the township and a very professional person.

G. Clerk of Council - Ruthanne Sargus Ross

Nothing to report.

H. Standing Committees

None

IX. Other Business

None

X. Adjournment

Council Member Drury made a motion, seconded by Council Member Hutson to adjourn at 6:50 p.m. All in favor stated AYE, None Opposed. Motion passed.

Lance Westcamp, Mayor

Ruthanne Sargus Ross, Clerk of Council

PLEASE NOTE: THESE MINUTES ARE NOT VERBATIM. A RECORDING OF THE MEETING IS AVAILABLE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS.