

# City of Groveport

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## Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 23, 2025

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

City Council

**I. Call to Order**

Mayor Lance Westcamp called the City Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Staff Present: BJ King - Administrator, Kevin Shannon - Law Director, Jason Carr - Director of Finance, Casey Adams - Chief of Police, Michael Loges - Development Director, Mindy Kay - Clerk of Council

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 Adams led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**IV. Roll Call**

**Present:** 7 - Edward Dildine, Edward Dildine, Becky Hutson, Scott Lockett, Jack Rupp, Jean Ann Hilbert, and Shawn Cleary

**V. Approval of Minutes**

*The June 9, 2025 City Council Minutes stand approved as submitted.*

[#136-2025](#) June 9 2025, City Council Meeting Minutes

**Attachments:** [2025.06.09 City Council Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

**VI. Business of Guests****VII. Ordinances and Resolutions****A. 3rd Readings**

[Ord. 2025-020](#)

AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE POSITION OF FULL TIME COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER, ACCEPTING THE POSITION DESCRIPTION AND PAY GRADE THEREFORE

**Sponsors:** Lockett

**Attachments:** [Ord. 2025-020 Exhibit A.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Council Member Lockett, seconded by Council Member Hilbert, to adopt. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Dildine, Hutson, Lockett, Rupp, Hilbert and Cleary

[Ord. 2025-021](#)

AN ORDINANCE SETTING COMPENSATION FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS AND FURTHER CONTINUING THE OPTION OF OBTAINING FAMILY VISION, DENTAL INSURANCE, AND LIFE INSURANCE FRINGE BENEFITS

**Sponsors:** Dildine

**A motion was made by Council Member Dildine, seconded by Council Member Hilbert, to adopt. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Dildine, Hutson, Lockett, Rupp, Hilbert and Cleary

**B. 2nd Readings**

[Ord. 2025-017](#)

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE ANNEXATION OF 295.86 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, PARCEL NUMBERS 180-000212, 180-000326, 180-000329, 180-000437, 180-000959, AND 180-001486 LOCATED IN MADISON TOWNSHIP UPON ANNEXATION OF SAID TRACTS TO THE CITY OF GROVEPORT (EBRIGHT INVESTMENT COMPANY, LLC, PETITIONERS)

**Sponsors:** Rupp

**Attachments:** [Ord. 2025-017 Exhibit A.pdf](#)

**This Ordinance was read by title**

**C. 1st Readings**

[Ord. 2025-022](#)

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A VARIANCE AS TO THE PERMITTED USES IN THE ESTABLISHED ZONING DISTRICT FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2650 LONDON GROVEPORT ROAD, PARCEL NO. 185-001559, CURRENTLY ZONED COMMUNITY SERVICES (CS), MARK SALER, APPLICANT

**Sponsors:** Rupp

**Attachments:** [Ord. 2025-022 Exhibit A.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Council Member Rupp, seconded by Council Member Dildine, to add item to the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Dildine, Hutson, Lockett, Rupp, Hilbert and Cleary

**This Ordinance was referred to the Planning & Zoning Commission**

[Ord. 2025-023](#)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH ACCURATE MECHANICAL, INC FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF HEATING AND COOLING EQUIPMENT AT THE RECREATION CENTER UNDER THE OHIO STATE TERM SCHEDULE COOPERATIVE PURCHASE PLAN, THEREBY WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING PURSUANT TO GROVEPORT CITY CHARTER SECTION 9.02(B)

**Sponsors:** Hilbert

**This Ordinance was referred to the Committee of the Whole**

[Ord. 2025-024](#)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE RESERVATION OF THREE (3) VALET PARKING SPACES FOR LITTLE ITALY RISTORANTE AT 480 MAIN STREET, IN FRONT OF THE WIRT'S GROVE BUILDING.

**Sponsors:** Cleary

**This Ordinance was referred to the Committee of the Whole**

[Res. 2025-005](#)

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING HOUSE BILL 335 AND URGING THE OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO REJECT LEGISLATION THAT ELIMINATES INSIDE MILLAGE AND TRANSFERS LOCAL BUDGETARY AUTHORITY TO COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSIONS, AND THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY

**Sponsors:** Hutson

Administrator King explained that if House Bill 335 passes, the City of Groveport stands to lose about \$773,000 in millage. Finance Director Carr added that if we lose this funding, there is no other revenue source to replace it.

**A motion was made by Council Member Hutson, seconded by Council Member Hilbert, to amend to add emergency language. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Dildine, Hutson, Lockett, Rupp, Hilbert and Cleary

**A motion was made by Council Member Hutson, seconded by Council Member Hilbert, to suspend the rules as to the three readings and the effective date. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Dildine, Hutson, Lockett, Rupp, Hilbert and Cleary

**A motion was made by Council Member Hutson, seconded by Council Member Hilbert, to adopt. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Dildine, Hutson, Lockett, Rupp, Hilbert and Cleary

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

Mayor Westcamp commented on the hot weather and encouraged everyone to check on their neighbors.

**B. Administrator - BJ King**

Administrator King updated Council on the demolition of the condemned property on Front Street and plans for reimbursement to the City for costs incurred. He said legislation will go before Council to put a lien on the property. Mr. Rupp inquired at what point the property could go to Sheriff's sale. Mr. Shannon briefly explained the process, after which Council and staff discussed details of the potential lien. Mr. King reported on a false post on social media about the City's water supply. A social media post has since been made by the City with correct information. He then spoke about potential construction at the Municipal Building to make way for additional office spaces.

**C. Chief of Police - Casey Adams**

Chief Adams followed up on a news interview with patrolman Dillard last week. He said that was his first news interview and he did a fantastic job. He also commended Dillard's efforts in re-purposing equipment and making sure all the camera trailers are in working order.

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

Finance Director Carr informed Council that this year's audit is complete. The post audit presentation will be at the August Committee of the Whole meeting.

**E. Director of Law - Kevin Shannon****F. Development Director - Michael Loges**

Development Director Loges reminded Council of the ribbon cutting of our new Scoops ice cream shop, and provided updates on projects wrapping up for other local businesses, as well as two upcoming community engagement meetings to be hosted with CASTO team to see what residents would like to see in Groveport Plaza.

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

Mr. Dildine commented on the progress of the construction at the new KidSpace and how great everything looks.

**H. Clerk of Council - Mindy Kay**

**I. Standing Committees**

Mr. Cleary provided an update on a recent inquiry for a commemorative bench at the cemetery.

**IX. Other Business**

**X. Adjournment**

Council Member Cleary made a motion, seconded by Council Member Hilbert to adjourn at 7: 17 p.m. All in favor stated AYE, None Opposed. Motion passed.

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Lance Westcamp, Mayor

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Mindy Kay  
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.