

CITY OF GROVEPORT
REPORT TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL

April 9, 2018

ADMINISTRATION – Marsha Hall

Legislation

Ord. 18-010 Authorize the Engineering for Construction of Five Tennis Courts at Groveport Park (3rd Reading)

This ordinance would approve the engineering for construction of five tennis courts in Groveport Park. If adopted, legislation will then need approved to amend the 2018 Appropriations.

Ord. 18-011 Net Profits Centralized Collection Provision of Income Tax Ordinance (3rd Reading)

Franklin County Court of Common Pleas had issued a preliminary injunction related to the centralized collection of municipal net profit tax portion of HB49 on December 21st. A permanent injunction hearing resulted in Judge Cain siding with the state. The ruling means the provision allowing businesses to opt-in to file their net profit filings through the Ohio Business Gateway will remain in place. While an appeal is being considered, required legislation must be enacted. Since it is already past the state's original required deadline for this legislation, the ordinance should be adopted as an emergency action.

Ord. 18-012 Bixford Green Trail Project (3rd Reading)

This ordinance authorizes an application to the Ohio NatureWorks Grant Program and any contracts for the Bixford Green Trail project approved by Council in the 2018 Appropriations. \$207,400 was appropriated. This path will connect Phillips Run to the Blacklick Trail, with the path being located in a reserve owned by Bixford Green Association. We are currently working with the association, and a future ordinance for a lease agreement for the path will come before Council in the near future.

The grant program will award up to 75% of the cost. The last round of funding awarded two projects in Franklin County totaling \$179,959. The application is due June 1st.

Ord. 18-013 Note for Water Projects (3rd Reading)

This ordinance authorizes a note to pay for the Hanstein Water Main Improvement project and the Miscellaneous Water Service Replacements project approved by Council in the 2018 Appropriations.

Ord. 18-015 Authorizing Participation in the Ohio Cooperative Purchase Plan for the Purchase of Road Salt (2nd Reading)

We have been informed that there will be either a Summer or Winter ODOT contract for road salt; ODOT hasn't decided which yet.

Ords. 18-016 and 017 Create the Position of Activities Assistant II at Pay Grade 5 and Change Organization for Community Affairs (2nd Reading)

It has been recommended by the Community Affairs Director and Personnel Director to create a job description for a full-time Activities Assistant II at a pay grade of 5 for Town Hall. This would change the organization of the department from two Program Coordinators, and three part-time Activities

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Assistants to one Program Coordinator, one full-time Activities Assistant II, and three part-time Activities Assistants. This set up will provide better coverage and customer service for the department.

Ord. 18-018 Extend Medical Marijuana Moratorium for an Additional One Year Period (1st Reading)

The one-year moratorium on the issuance and processing of permits related to medical marijuana is no longer effective as of May 24. We recommend that Council extend the moratorium for one additional year. While the program is supposed to be fully operational by September 8, 2018, that have been issues setting up the state program. This will allow us time to review the program once it is fully functioning, We will also be reviewing changes to the Zoning Code this Summer, and it would be helpful for this to be part of any changes made to the code.

We are requesting three separate readings, then passage as emergency legislation so that the extension is effective prior to the end of the current moratorium.

Meetings; Events

Meetings/Events Attended

03/28 Meeting re. haul permits
04/03 Safety Council meeting
04/04 Senior Center Board meeting
04/05 Personnel Policy Revisions Committee meeting
04/09 Municipal building staff meeting
04/09 Records Commission meeting

Upcoming Meetings/Events

04/10 Meeting re. 2018 Farmers Market season
04/16 Preservation Committee meeting
04/19 MORPC Annual Luncheon
04/19 4th of July Committee meeting
04/25 Administrative Assistants Luncheon
04/25 Opioid Community Forum
04/27 Arbor Day
04/27 Onboarding Academy