

CITY OF GROVEPORT

REPORT TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL

July 10, 2017

ADMINISTRATION – *Marsha Hall*

Legislation

No Smoking on Golf Course Club House Patio and Outdoor Seating Area (2nd Reading)

This restriction was passed by motion at the last Council meeting. It was discussed that our laws prohibit smoking within 25 feet of the building. Our current codified ordinance is general in nature and requires us to follow state laws. However, the state law prohibits smoking within 25 feet of a doorway, not the building. This legislation will clean up our current codified ordinance as well as include the restrictions passed by Council at your last meeting so that all restrictions are codified.

Tom Walker and I met with Scott Heimlich for an update re. Paddock Pub. Both Tom and Scott have had a number of complaints regarding this issue, and Scott is aware of losing some customers. One of his concerns is that the issue was not discussed with him prior to a decision being reached since it affects his business. We discussed a few options that may appease everyone, and I asked Tom and Scott to prepare something for the COTW meeting. Both will be in attendance.

Prepare and Submit an Application to OPWC for the Major Traffic Signal Upgrade – Hamilton Road at Fire House Lane and Execute All Associated Contracts (1st Reading)

As part of their high school project, the G-M School will be asking for a school zone and has requested improving the traffic signal heads and installing a crosswalk and sidewalk from the school to the COTA stop across the street. We also have a project for future consideration on our Capital Improvement Plan to upgrade the signals with a mast arm signal. Our Engineer believes combining these two projects would make an excellent grant application to OPWC, considering the cooperation with the school and safety issues. This funding application will include local match by both the City and the school, and save both of us several thousands of dollars.

Prepare and Submit an Application to OPWC for the West Bixby Road Rehabilitation Phase II Project and Execute All Associated Contracts (1st Reading)

This project would be the 2nd phase of a three phase project to upgrade West Bixby Road, following this year's Phase I grant project.

Resolution Adopting the Five Year Capital Improvement Plan (1st Reading)

Adoption of this plan is necessary for submittal of the two funding applications to OPWC.

Miscellaneous

Fourth of July Celebration

Thanks to all who assisted. The parade went off very well considering the change in direction. The daytime events and entertainment was well attended, and the fireworks display was the best yet according to several.

Electronic Signs

• Marsha Hall, Administrator • Kevin C. Shannon, Law Dir. • Ralph Portier, Chief of Police •
• Jeff Green, Assistant Administrator/Finance Dir. • Kyle Lund, Parks and Recreation Dir. • Stephen Moore, Chief Building Official • Tom Walker, Dir. of Golf • Patty Storts, Community Affairs Dir. • Dennis Moore, Public Works Supt. •

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At the last council meeting I was mistaken when I stated that electronic signs are not permitted in any of the districts and requires action as they are approved. This is not correct. I did not remember that as of the last modification of the Zoning Code, these signs are now permitted in all districts. The most recent actions were due to other extenuating issues such as set back or need to amend a development plan, not because the sign is prohibited.

We are currently finalizing changes to a new Sign Ordinance due to a Supreme Court ruling which will require virtually all sign ordinances to be re-written. Basically signs cannot be limited based on content. You can restrict sizes and locations of signs, but you cannot restrict signs based on how they are being used. For example, you cannot restrict a temporary sign used for a church service if you don't treat all temporary signs in the same manner.

Please provide Stephen Moore with any comments you may have regarding electronic signs.

Meetings; Events

Meetings/Events Attended

06/29 Franklin County EMA Advisory Group Meeting

07/10 Monthly Administrative Staff Meeting

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

07/12 Website Administrators Meeting

07/13 Meeting with new AT&T representative

07/13 MORPC meeting