

# City of Groveport

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## Meeting Minutes

**Monday, February 13, 2017**

**6:30 PM**

**Council Chambers**

### **City Council**

***Mayor Lance Westcamp***

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

**I. Call to Order**

by Mayor Westcamp at 6:30 p.m.

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

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**

**Excused:** 1 - Ed Rarey

**Present:** 5 - Shawn M. Cleary, Edward Dildine, Jean Ann Hilbert, Becky Hutson, and Scott Lockett

A motion was made by Council Member Cleary, seconded by Council Member Hilbert, to excuse Council Member Rarey from tonight's meeting. All in favor stated AYE, None Opposed. Motion passed.

**V. Approval of Minutes - January 23, 2017**

Approved as submitted.

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**Attachments:** [City Council Meeting Minutes 1-23-17.pdf](#)

**VI. Business of Guests**

*None.*

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

None

**B. 2nd Readings**

None

**C. 1st Readings**

[ORD. 17-005](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 92-96 (ADOPTED 1-13-1997), ORDINANCE NO. 16-049 (ADOPTED 11-28-2016), AND RESOLUTION NO. 12-001 (ADOPTED 2-27-2012) THEREBY SETTING FORTH THE TARGET FUND BALANCE FOR THE RAINY DAY FUND AND/OR MODIFYING THE REVENUE SOURCES THAT MAY BE UTILIZED TO REPLENISH SAID FUND AND THE DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

**Sponsors:** Hutson

*Law Director Shannon requested Council to consider making a motion to suspend the rules as to the three readings and the effective date. This Ordinance clearly sets forth the revenue sources for the replenishing and maintaining of the Rainy Day Fund. Reference to other legislation in this document clearly states everything staff wants Council to know and permit with respect to the Rainy Day Fund. This legislation clarifies the \$2,000,000 cap, the sources of revenue and that Council is the only body that can determine whether or not it is appropriate to use the funds for a revenue shortfall or an emergency situation.*

**Clerk of Council Ross read by title Ordinance No.17-005. A motion was made by Council Member Hilbert, seconded by Council Member Dildine, to suspend the rules as to the three readings and the effective date. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Excused:** 1 - Rarey

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

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

**Excused:** 1 - Rarey

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

[ORD. 17-006](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 16-047 (ADOPTED 11/14/2016), THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE

## CITY OF GROVEPORT, OHIO, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2017

**Sponsors:** Cleary

**Attachments:** [ORD. 17-006 Exhibit A.pdf](#)

*Law Director Shannon requested Council to consider making a motion to suspend the rules as to the three readings and vote tonight. In so doing, this legislation will go into effect tonight, as it is an appropriation ordinance.*

**Clerk of Council Ross read by title Ordinance No.17-006. A motion was made by Council Member Hilbert, seconded by Council Member Cleary, to suspend the rules as to the three readings. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Excused:** 1 - Rarey

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

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

**Excused:** 1 - Rarey

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

**[ORD. 17-007](#)**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF CASH FUND BALANCES

**Sponsors:** Dildine

**Attachments:** [ORD. 17-007 Exhibit A.pdf](#)

*Law Director Shannon requested Council to consider making a motion to suspend the rules as to the three readings. This Ordinance is also an appropriations ordinance, if voted on, it will go into effect tonight.*

**Clerk of Council Ross read by title Ordinance No.17-007. A motion was made by Council Member Dildine, seconded by Council Member Cleary, to suspend the rules as to the three readings. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Excused:** 1 - Rarey

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

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

**Excused:** 1 - Rarey

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

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

*Mayor Lance Westcamp deferred to President Pro-Tem Ed Dildine. Mr. Dildine read the letter of resignation from Council Member Ed Rarey. Dated February 3, 2017, the letter addressed to Mayor Westcamp and the Members of Council, announced Mr. Rarey's intent to resign from his position as council member of the City of Groveport, effective March 10, 2017.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Cleary, seconded by Council Member Hutson, to accept the resignation of Council Member Ed Rarey, as to the effective date of March 10, 2017. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Excused:** 1 - Rarey

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

*Mayor Lance Westcamp noted that for over 60 years Ed Rarey has served the public in his capacities as an educator, school administrator, coach and council member. The track coach now passes that baton, so that he may fully enjoy his family. Mr. Rarey has said many times to those who have served alongside him, "We are here to serve our citizens. Anything short of that is unacceptable." Mr. Rarey has served this community greatly and has been a great council member.*

*Council Member Shawn Cleary commented Mr. Rarey always has Groveport in mind. He loves Groveport.*

*Council Member Ed Dildine commented he hopes he can remember half of Groveport's history that Mr. Rarey knows and has lived.*

*Council Member Scott Lockett hopes to still see him at the various City functions or walking about town with his wife.*

*Council Member Becky Hutson stated he will be missed and she truly respects him.*

*Council Member Jean Ann Hilbert said she has been working with Mr. Rarey for the last 23 years. He has always had the residents' interests at heart. They didn't always agree on things but she always respected him.*

**B. Administrator - Marsha Hall**

*Mayor Westcamp praised Administrator Marsha Hall on the Groveport Farmers Market coming to town starting May 30, 2017. The market will*

*be on Tuesdays from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Main Street on the City Green next to Ace Hardware. There is plenty of off-street parking and room to grow.*

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Adm Report to Council - Feb 13.pdf

**Attachments:**    [Adm Report to Council - Feb 13.pdf](#)  
[Centralized Collection.pdf](#)  
[GroveportFMflyer.pdf](#)

**C. Chief of Police - Ralph Portier**

*Nothing further to report.*

**D. Director of Finance - Jeff Green**

*Nothing further to report.*

**E. Director of Law - Kevin Shannon**

*Nothing further to report.*

**F. Council Members - Ed Rarey, Jean Ann Hilbert, Ed Dildine, Shawn Cleary, Becky Hutson and Scott Lockett**

*Nothing to report.*

**G. Clerk of Council - Ruthanne Sargus Ross**

*Nothing to report.*

**H. Standing Committees**

*Council Member Dildine reported on tonight's first meeting of the new year of the Trees & Decorations Committee. Scott Clinger was elected Chair of the Committee, with Bruce Smith as Vice-Chair. Two additional meeting dates had to be added to the calendar this year per Tree City USA, The Arbor Day Foundation standards, stating there are to be six meetings a year. Recreation Director Kyle Lund and Community Affairs Director Patty Storts are working on putting together a proposal to Council for the tree lighting ceremony. Arbor Day will be Friday, April 28, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. at Groveport Elementary. There will be six trees planted at Blacklick Park. The Committee allocated \$1,200. for saplings, t-shirts, apples, books, bookmarks, etc. Mr. Dildine updated Council on other business*

*handled by the Committee.*

*Council Member Cleary reported the Cemetery Committee met and elected Mr. Cleary Chair and Jan Stoots Vice-Chair. Public Works Superintendent Dennis Moore requested the committee consider looking into replacing the stabilization pads at the cemetery. The Committee is working with City staff on the matter of dog owners allowing their dogs to do their business on cemetery grounds. Administrator Hall asked Mr. Cleary to provide a copy of the cemetery rules; the rules need to be codified.*

## **IX. Other Business**

### **Executive Session**

*Law Director Shannon requested Council to consider making a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1) To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official. To include all Members of Council, the Mayor, the Administrator, the Finance Director, the Chief of Police and himself.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Hilbert, seconded by Council Member Dildine, to go into Executive Session at 6:51 p.m.pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1) To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official. To include all Members of Council, the Mayor, the Administrator, the Finance Director, the Chief of Police and the Law Director. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Excused:** 1 - Rarey

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

**A motion was made by Council Member Hutson, seconded by Council Member Dildine, to come out of Executive Session at 7:41 p.m. with no action taken. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Excused:** 1 - Rarey

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

## **X. Adjournment**

Council Member Dildine made a motion, seconded by Council Member Cleary to adjourn at 7:42 p.m. All in favor stated AYE, None Opposed. Motion passed.

Lance Westcamp, Mayor

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Ruthanne Sargus Ross, Clerk of Council

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OFFICE DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS.