

City of Groveport

655 Blacklick St.
Groveport, OH 43125
614.830.2052
www.groveport.org



Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 12, 2017

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

City Council

Mayor Lance Westcamp

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

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

Present: 6 - Jim Beidler, Shawn M. Cleary, Edward Dildine, Jean Ann Hilbert, Becky Hutson, and Scott Lockett

V. Approval of Minutes - May 22, 2017

Approved as submitted.

[#427-2017](#) City Council Minutes 5-22-17

Attachments: [City Council Minutes 5-22-17.pdf](#)

VI. Business of Guests

None.

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

None

B. 2nd Readings

[ORD. 17-024](#)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A MODIFICATION TO THE
DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR 5625 GROVEPORT ROAD, PARCEL

NUMBER 185-002767

Sponsors: Hilbert

Attachments: [ORD. 17-024 5625 Groveport Rd Exhibit A.pdf](#)

Clerk of Council Ross read by title Ordinance No.17-024.

[#426-2017](#)

ORD. 17-024 Staff Reports

Attachments: [ORD. 17-024 Staff Reports.pdf](#)

[RES. 17-002](#)

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TAX BUDGET FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2018 AND THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Hutson

Attachments: [2018 Tax Budget attachment.pdf](#)

Clerk of Council Ross read by title Resolution No.17-002.

C. 1st Readings

[ORD. 17-025](#)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE FOUR (4) UTILITY EASEMENT / RIGHT OF WAY INSTRUMENTS WITH COLUMBIA GAS TRANSMISSION LLC (COLUMBIA GAS) AND THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Dildine

Law Director Kevin Shannon requested Council to consider making a motion to suspend the rules as to the three readings and the effective date. Columbia Gas, having asked for certain provisions to be put into side agreements, and the City have been going back and forth on these matters.

Clerk of Council Ross read by title Ordinance No.17-025. A motion was made by Council Member Dildine, seconded by Council Member Hutson, to suspend the rules as to the three readings and the effective date. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Beidler, Cleary, Dildine, Hilbert, Hutson and Lockett

These four (4) easement / right of way instruments will be executed because City Engineer Steve Farst was adamant that if Columbia Gas was rerouting some of the existing easement they already have for the gas line, then agreements are needed to cover the rerouted lines which are a part of the massive project of the company's new transmission lines. In one area, Columbia Gas was going to go right over the City's existing sanitary sewer force main. The City wants it

understood that Columbia Gas will be responsible if the company parks heavy equipment or such in the area that could cause a break in the force main. The agreements cover items such as, payments to the City for the easements, Columbia Gas covering costs for possible repairs to Groveport's bike path and/or other unforeseen contingencies, and restitution for any trees removed by Columbia Gas.

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

Yes: 6 - Beidler, Cleary, Dildine, Hilbert, Hutson and Lockett

VIII. Reports

A. Mayor - Lance Westcamp

Mayor Lance Westcamp reported Donna Drury has resigned from the Trees and Decorations Committee. Council Members need to think about a replacement to serve on the committee.

The 4th of July Committee will hold their last meeting Thursday, June 15th at 6:00 p.m. The American Legion will be involved this year. Rick Compton will be attending Thursday's meeting; the group has volunteered to clean the dining tables during the event.

Mayor Westcamp had the honor of speaking at the Robert Dutro Post. Council Members Shawn Cleary and Becky Hutson joined the Mayor to thank the post for organizing the Memorial Day Parade. Warren Motts was a great guest speaker at the Memorial Day Ceremony.

The Mayor read some letters of thanks from Groveport Elementary students who participated in the mock city council meeting and Arbor Day tree plantings. One letter thanked Groveport Officials for the donated books about trees to the Groveport Elementary Library.

Mayor Westcamp thanked Larry Dowler for bringing a tractor to the Groveport Farmers Market on Tuesdays.

B. Administrator - Marsha Hall

Administrator Marsha Hall reported the Farmers Market is doing very well this year. The market had 12 vendors last week with three or four already carrying produce. The owner of Sophie's Gourmet Pierogis asked if they could park their food truck during the farmers market. The zoning district does not permit food trucks. Council could determine by motion to allow food trucks during the farmers market season. Ms. Hall recommends limiting the number of food truck vendors allowed. A discussion ensued on where the food trucks would park, limiting the number of food trucks allowed and allowing local

food truck vendors only. Food trucks will not compete with the farmer vendors. Food truck wares are ready to eat whereas farmer vendors' wares are for take home to prepare. After the open discussion, Council determined to permit three (3) food trucks in conjunction with the farmers market's set hours and dates, provided the Administrator has the discretion to disallow such practice if there are crowding issues and the discretion to determine the parking of the food trucks.

Law Director Shannon requested Council to consider making a motion to permit three (3) food trucks to be present at the Administrator's discretion as to the location, on the dates and time of the farmers market, until such time that there is a crowded problem, the Administrator has the discretion to stop the practice.

A motion was made by Council Member Hilbert, seconded by Council Member Lockett, to permit three (3) food trucks to be present at the Administrator's discretion as to the location, on the dates and time of the farmers market, until such time that there is a crowded problem, the Administrator has the discretion to stop the practice. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Beidler, Cleary, Dildine, Hilbert, Hutson and Lockett

Administrator Marsha Hall announced Ethics training will take place on August 21st at 5:00 p.m. with the Committee of the Whole meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. Susan Wilke, of the Ohio Ethics Commission will be conducting the hour and half class to all of Council, the Department Heads and Supervisors of the City.

Council Member Cleary asked about the meeting with Metro Parks regarding connecting City paths with Metro Parks paths. Ms. Hall responded that will be a City project and Council can determine the year with the City's 5-Year Capital Project Plan being put together now. This project could be planned for within the next couple of years. Metro Parks are very amiable about the City connecting its facilities to their parks.

Council Member Beidler raised the matter of smoking on the patio at the Links of Groveport. Administrator Hall stated no one is supposed to smoke within so many feet of any City building. Golfers have always smoked by the doors. If Council wants to take action on the matter, Ms. Hall would like to see it done through a motion or legislation. Signs can be worded that the "no smoking" patio area was designated by City Council action and not by the restaurant. Law Director Shannon requested Council to consider making a motion to prohibit smoking on the patio at the Links of Groveport. The matter of no smoking in the City's parks should be addressed through legislation. Council will discuss the matter of City parks at a Committee of the Whole meeting at a later date.

A motion was made by Council Member Beidler, seconded by Council Member Cleary, to prohibit smoking at the patio at the Links of Groveport. The motion

carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Beidler, Cleary, Dildine, Hilbert, Hutson and Lockett

[#428-2017](#)

Admin. Report to Council

Attachments: [Adm Report to Council - June 12.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 - Jean Ann Hilbert, Ed Dildine, Shawn Cleary, Becky Hutson, Scott Lockett and Jim Beidler

Council Member Hilbert wants the City to consider Recreation Center rates for retired military. Ms. Hall stated the matter will be addressed when City staff looks into the rates. Mrs. Hilbert also noted that there is a dead tree on Main Street that was removed three years ago and has never been replaced.

Council Member Hutson asked if the City has received any complaints on the Hendron Road project. The only complaints received concerned outside services coming into the City, such as taxi cabs coming to pick someone up. These types of issues have been resolved. The fire departments had no trouble getting to a fire on Marlowa Drive.

G. Clerk of Council - Ruthanne Sargus Ross

Nothing to report.

H. Standing Committees

Council Member Dildine asked Council to consider making a motion to cancel the Committee of the Whole meeting on June 19, 2017, for lack of agenda items. Staff reports will still be submitted to Council.

A motion was made by Council Member Dildine, seconded by Council Member Hilbert, to cancel the Committee of the Whole meeting on June 19, 2017, for lack of agenda items. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Beidler, Cleary, Dildine, Hilbert, Hutson and Lockett

IX. Other Business

None.

X. Adjournment

Council Member Dildine made a motion, seconded by Council Member Hilbert to adjourn at 7:04 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.