

**GROVE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023
4:30 PM
MINUTES**

The Grove City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at 4:30 PM with Mayor, Ed Trumbull presiding. Council members present were Steven Thomas, Andy Stewart, Marty Dyer, and Ivan Devitt. Also present were City Manager, Debbie Bottoroff; Attorney, Darren Cook; City Treasurer, Lisa Allred; Public Works Director, Deric Douthit and City Clerk, Bonnie Buzzard.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Trumbull presented and read it its entirety a Proclamation proclaiming May 20-26, 2023 as National Safe Boating Week.

Mayor then presented and read in its entirety a Proclamation proclaiming May 26, 2023 as National Poppy Day.

Devitt made the motion to approve the minutes from the May 2, 2023 regular meeting. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Stewart., Dyer, Devitt, and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve the minutes from the May 10, 2023 special meeting. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Stewart., Dyer, Devitt, and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve the purchase order register. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Stewart., Dyer, Devitt, and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to an Ordinance amending Part 14 Streets and Public Works, Chapter 4 Construction within Rights-of-Way, Section 14-403 Access Driveway standards of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grove. Bottoroff reported that occasionally property that is located outside the city limits abuts a city street, therefore, to assure that when this property is improved with the construction of a driveway, it is constructed in a manner that is complaint with the city driveway standards. Devitt made the motion to approve the Ordinance as presented and discussed. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Stewart., Dyer, Devitt, and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull then opened the floor for discussion with respect to an Ordinance amending Chapter 5 Special Conditions Section 5-13 Vacation Rental Homes, more particularly Section 5-13.H Standard Conditions of the Zoning Ordinances of the City of Grove. Bottoroff reported that this Ordinance was created to remove the limit of a maximum of three vehicles, boat/watercraft being allowed to park on hard surface at a vacation rental home (VRH). Instead, allow the number of vehicles boat/watercraft trailers that can safely park on the hard surfaced area without the tires of the vehicles being off the hard surface. Bottoroff mentioned that the hard surface area cannot exceed the maximum percentage of coverage allowed. Bottoroff added that the Ordinance will provide for parking of vehicles, boat/watercraft trailers adequate for the size of the VRH. Mr. Dustin Haffner addressed the Council to report that he has placed several complaints with the Grove Police Department (with very little results) and to City Manager, Debbie Bottoroff in regard to the overcrowding of vehicles and equipment at the said VRH that is adjacent to his personal resident. Haffner respectfully expressed his personal concern with the fact that the proposed City Ordinance is more lenient to the VRH owners/residents when it comes to the parking of vehicles and personal watercrafts on the property than they are with their own residents who permanently reside in Grove

on a daily basis. Haffner noted that the current Ordinance allows city residents to have no more than three vehicles / equipment on their property at one time and now they are permitting VRH's to have as many as they can fit on the hard surface parking area. Haffner only asked that the Council consider equal opportunity for both residents as for VRH's. The Staff and Haffner entertained questions, comments, and concerns from the Council. Discussion lasted approximately 20 minutes. This item was tabled for a future meeting.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to an Ordinance amending Chapter 1 citation, purpose, nature, and applications of Zoning Ordinance; Section 6 interpretation of words and terms by adding definition for lot line, lake frontage; and Chapter 5 special conditions section 5-5.3 designated location of recreational vehicles including travel and camping trailers, park model homes, and water sports trailers of the Zoning Ordinances of the City of Grove. Bottoroff reported that some of the properties located in Grove along the lakeside have dwellings facing the lake while other properties have dwellings facing a street. The current Ordinance identifies the front yard as the street side of the house and does not allow RV, boat, or water sports trailers to be parked in the front yard, which creates a problem for houses that face the lake since the front yard is on the lakeside and the rear yard is the side faces the street. Bottoroff reported that this proposed Ordinance adds new definitions allowing lakefront properties to park their such watercraft and trailers in their rear yard (side street). Dyer made the motion to approve the Ordinance as presented and discussed. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Stewart., Dyer, Devitt, and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to a Memorandum of Understanding with the Delaware County E-911 Trust Authority regarding a Centralized Dispatch center. Cook reported that this Memorandum of Understanding is simply a statement of intent that Grove will participate in planning and organizing this project, and that Grove can withdraw from the MOU at any time if needed. Darren noted that Delaware County has purchased the old Health Department facility in Jay for a dispatch center. Devitt made the motion to approve the MOU with Delaware County E-911 as presented and discussed. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Stewart., Dyer, Devitt, and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to the bid received for one ten-wheel dump truck with snowplow. Bottoroff reported that the Staff advertised for this new equipment and that only one bid from Tri-State Truck Group of Joplin, Missouri was received in the amount of \$213,526.02. Devitt made the motion to award the bid to Tri-State Truck Group as presented. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Stewart., Dyer, Devitt, and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to the bids received for lease to purchase financing one ten-wheel dump truck with snowplow. Allred reported that this item was advertised and that four (4) bids were received from various banking institutions. The low bid came in Grand Savings Bank for 36 months at a rate of 4.49%. Allred entertained questions from the Council. Devitt made the motion to award the lease to purchase financing to Grand Savings Bank as presented and discussed. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Stewart., Dyer, Devitt, and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORT:

Bottoroff reported that the Staff has been working with Architect, Gary Sparks on revising the floor plans of the NEO building to better meet the needs of the City Hall and GMSA offices. Bottoroff added that representatives from NEO assessed the Community Building for their needs and agreed that Room(s) 4&5 and Darren's work office will complement their needs greatly. Bottoroff added that once the plans are finalized, they will be provided to the Council.

At 5:30 PM Devitt made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Stewart., Dyer, Devitt, and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.