

**DECEMBER MEETING MINUTES
GROVE CITY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2024**

Members Present: McCoy, Lokken, Sordahl, Simota, Anderson Bergstrom

Members Absent: none

Visitors Present: 4

- I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- II. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 6:45PM by Mayor McCoy.
- III. AGENDA REVISIONS/ADDITIONS -Move Tax Levy to after Truth in Taxation Meeting and move Fire/Rescue to start of regular meeting.
- IV. AGENDA APPROVAL
Motion by Simota, seconded by Lokken, and carried, to approve the agenda of the December 9, 2024 meeting. Vote: 5-0
- V. CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL
Motion by Simota, seconded by Lokken, and carried, to approve the following by consent:
Vote: 5-0
 - A. MINUTE APPROVAL
November 12, 2024 Regular Council Meeting
 - B. NOVEMBER 2024 CLAIMS APPROVAL
NOV 18, 2024 CLAIMS: \$181,127.95; NOV 27, 2024 CLAIMS: \$26,776.19: TOTAL: \$207,904.14.
NOV 15, 2024 PAYROLL: \$11,667.63; NOV 27, 2024 PAYROLL: \$11,726.98: TOTAL PAYROLL: \$23,394.61.
- VI. VISITOR RECOGNITION AND PUBLIC COMMENT – 4 visitors
- VII. BUSINESS
 - A. TAX LEVY
Motion by McCoy, seconded by Simota, and carried, to approve a 2025 tax levy of 5% for \$243,217. Vote: 5-0
 - B. LIQUOR LICENSES
Motion by Sordahl, seconded by Anderson Bergstrom, and carried, to approve the liquor licenses for Honkey's, Lucky's Liquor, and MN Beer Co. Vote: 5-0
 - C. ORDINANCE ABATEMENT AND VIOLATION
Motion by Lokken, seconded by Sordahl, and carried, to start ordinance abatement proceedings for the following nuisance property in Grove City: 502 Atlantic Ave W. Vote: 5-0

D. 201 BUILDING CENTER REZONING

Motion by Lokken, seconded by Sordahl, and carried, to approve the application for rezoning of property at 105 3rd Street S, from residential to commercial. Vote: 5-0

E. 2025 FEE SCHEDULE

Motion by Sordahl, seconded by Anderson Bergstrom, and carried, to accept the new fees as followed: Electric base rate: Commercial-\$45, Residential-\$25; Electric Three Phase (No Demand)-\$55; Electric Three Phase (Demand)-\$55; Sewer base rate: Commercial-\$35, Residential-\$29; Water base rate: Commercial-\$35, Residential-\$32. Vote: 5-0

F. MONTHLY COFFEE TIME IN COMMUNITY CENTER

Motion by Lokken, seconded by Simota, and carried, to start a monthly coffee time to be held in the Community Center for 2025. Vote: 5-0

G. QUARTERLY ARTISAN/MAKERS MARKETPLACE IN COMMUNITY CENTER

Motion by Lokken, seconded by Anderson Bergstrom and carried, to start a quarterly artisan/makers marketplace to be held in the Community Center. Vote: 5-0

H. NEW TABLES FOR COMMUNITY CENTER

Motion by Simota, seconded by McCoy, and carried, to approve the purchase of 12 new tables for the community center, not to exceed \$3,000. Vote: 5-0

I. TRACTOR FOR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Motion by McCoy, seconded by Simota, and carried, to approve the purchase of tractor and tiller from Schlauderaff Implement for \$17,850. Vote: 5-0

J. CITY FACEBOOK PAGE

Motion by Lokken, seconded by Simota, and carried, to approve the creation of a City of Grove City Facebook page, to be used to post announcements concerning the city with the comments section inactivated. Vote: 5-0

K. OTHER

VIII. STAFF AND COUNCIL REPORTS

A. RESCUE – Mike Dahl reported that Ready Racks have been ordered.

B. FIRE – Successful banquet. Will look into billing for fire calls.

C. SHERIFF – calls.

D. CLERK – Nothing to report

- E. PUBLIC WORKS – Jack asked for permission to get Water license, either C or D. Cost is \$300 plus travel. Motion: McCoy, seconded by Lokken, approved 5-0.

Sordahl inquired about the sanding of intersections and who determines when roads are sanded. Discussed the process. Voted that the deputy on duty has the authority to call for snow emergency. Motion: Lokken, seconded: Simota. Carried: 5-0

- F. MCCOY – Requested the power to be turned on at campsite lot 1 for Lions lighting in park.
- G. LOKKEN – Requested that the white strands of lights that are not all on be unplugged. Presented quote from Ramsey Printing for banners for main street poles. \$120 plus shipping.
Reminded Council Members of Open Meeting rules. Concern with holiday gatherings. Thanks to Jason and Lorie for serving on the City Council!
- H. SORDAHL – Would like the city to continue replacing metal siding on city shed.
- I. SIMOTA – Thanks!
- J. ANDERSON BERGSTROM – Inquired as to the status of the trailer park sale. McCoy responded that the owners have 45 days to respond to the offer from the EDA.

McCoy noted that he will stay on the county EDA board.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Simota, seconded by Sordahl, and carried, to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 pm.

Vote:5-0