

**BEECH GROVE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
March 3, 2008**

Mayor Wright called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M.

ROLL CALL: City Council members Ross Barton, Ed Bell, John Jennings, Mike Pence, Mary Stewart, and Bud Templin were present at the meeting. Also attending were, Clerk-Treasurer Sarah Kincaid and Deputy City Attorney Tricia Leminger.

All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

Minutes from the February 4, 2008 City Council Meeting were read. Ed Bell made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Ross Barton seconded the motion, which was approved.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS: Mayor Wright proclaimed that this week be hereby known as Girl Scout Week in honor of the skills, knowledge, pride, and sense of community it continues to instill in its members.

COMMENTS BY CITIZENS: Susie McMillan of 213 S. 13th Avenue signed in to speak on a non-agenda item. Buddy Templin made a motion to allow Ms. McMillan to speak for the allotted time of 3 minutes. Ed Bell seconded the motion, which was approved by voice vote. Ms. McMillan asked several questions about the expansion of TIF areas in Beech Grove.

REPORTS: David Miller gave a report for the Greenscape Committee. Tim Showalter gave a report for the Cable Authority. Chief Witmer gave a report for the Public Safety Committee.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Wright introduced Mike Shaver, who discussed the progress of expanding the current TIF areas. He also discussed a grant the city would be eligible in such an expansion, public hearings related to the process, and his desire to hold 4 public information workshops for citizens to better understand the process of TIF expansion and how TIF areas work.

COMMENTS: Councilman Templin thanked Susie McMillan for bringing her questions and concerns to the council. He also commended the BGHS Boys Basketball team on their recent success.

Councilman Bell thanked all of District 2 that were able to make it to the February Town Hall Meeting on February 19, 2008. The next meeting will be in May, date is TBA. He also congratulated the BGHS Boys Basketball team and cheered them on to another victory.

Councilman Pence thanked everyone that was able to come to the Lion's Club Bean

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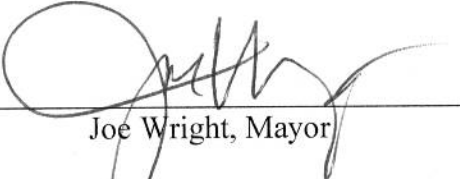
Dinner. He also thanked Ed Bell for holding the District 2 Town Hall meeting, and looks forward to attending more in the future.

Councilman Barton commended the BGHS Boys Basketball team on their recent win, and also congratulated the High School on recently being designated a 4 Star Academic Institution

Councilman Jennings thanked Warren Whitaker for sponsoring the IHSAA fee to televise the recent Boys Basketball section game, allowing those in Beech Grove who were not able to make it the chance to watch the game.

Mayor Wright expressed deep gratitude to Boys Basketball coach Randy Males for his success with the team, and for continuing to give back to the community as an alumnus of the High School. He also announced the start of 4 day trash pick-up, which just started this week. Schedules were mailed and are also available online.

John Jennings made a motion to adjourn. Mike Pence seconded the motion, which was approved by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 P.M.



Joe Wright, Mayor



Sarah M. Kincaid, Clerk-Treasurer