

Grant City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 16, 2011

A Public Hearing of the Grant City Commission to receive comments on the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 City Budgets on Monday, May 16, 2011 at the City of Grant Offices.

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Terry Fett called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
3. **Roll Call:**
PRESENT: Mayor Terry Fett, Commissioner Cheryl Weeks, Commissioner Anne Pickard, Commissioner Julie Hallman, Commissioner Matt Bouwkamp, and Commissioner Terri Yeomans
Others Present: Doug La Fave – City Manager, Sherry Powell – Assistant City Manager/Clerk, Mitch Rood – Grant Police Department Officer, Shawn Botsford – DPW Supervisor, Eric Thomas – DPW, Gary Nestle – Infrastructure Alternatives, Dan Graham, and Tina Couturier of Grant Wrestling Club.
ABSENT: None
EXCUSED: Commissioner Kevin Smith
4. **Public Comment on the FY 2011-2012 City Budget:**
None
6. **Adjournment** without objection at 7:01p.m.

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4. **Approval of the Agenda:** Added Items **J. Resolution 11-22** under New Business
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Hallman to approve the agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.
5. **Public Comment:**
None
6. **Consent Agenda**
a-f. *Approval of the Consent Agenda*
Motion: Motion made by Weeks, second by Yeomans to approve the consent agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.
7. **Unfinished Business:**
a. Planning Commission vacancy: We still have a vacancy on the Planning Commission.

8. New Business

- a. Motion Item: Consideration for farming on City Property in Grant Township request from Dan Tellkamp.
No Motion made to consider the request
- b. Resolution 11-14: Consideration for authorizing 3 year operating contract with Infrastructure Alternatives.
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Weeks to approve the resolution.
Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Resolution 11-15: Consideration for authorizing the City Manager to administer payment of invoices related to engineering expenses for the Safe Routes to School sidewalks project.
Motion: Motion made by Hallman, second by Pickard to approve the resolution.
Motion carried unanimously.
- d. Resolution 11-16: Consideration of Depository Designation for investment of City funds.
Motion: Motion made by Hallman, second by Pickard to approve the resolution.
Motion carried unanimously.
- e. Resolution 11-17: Consideration to approve annual FY 2011-2012 City budgets.
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Hallman to approve the resolution.
Comments made by several commissioners that the budget looks good.
Motion carried unanimously.
- f. Resolution 11-18: Consideration to approve the FY 2011-2012 City fee rate schedule.
Motion: Motion made by Weeks, second by Pickard to approve the resolution.
Yeomans questioned problems with no charge rentals not properly cleaning the building when they are done, and would like to see a charge or deposit to cover the expense when needed.
Motion to amend original motion: Motion made by Weeks, second by Pickard to include a \$50.00 cleaning fee deposit for all no charge rentals.
Motion carried unanimously.
- g. Resolution 11-19: Consideration to approve annexation request from Wilbur Ellis to annex 300 S. Jones St.
Motion: Motion made by Hallman, second by Yeomans to approve the resolution.
Doug explained that staff was attempting to add Jones Street to the P.A. 51 MDOT street system map for the City of Grant, and we discovered neither property on Jones Street had ever been included in the original legal description when the Charter was originally approved. Ashland Township had a special meeting last week Friday and signed off on this so that our boundary could remain as the City, Ashland Township, and Newaygo County all believed it actually was since we became a City.
Motion carried unanimously.
- h. Resolution 11-20: Consideration to request/approve annexation of City of Grant property at 321 S. Jones St.
Motion: Motion made by Weeks, second by Yeomans to approve the resolution.
Motion carried unanimously.
- i. Resolution 11-21: Consideration to approve replacement of air hoses that supply air to the SBR cell diffusers at the WWTP.
Motion: Motion made by Hallman, second by Pickard to approve the resolution.
Motion carried unanimously.
- j. Resolution 11-22: Consideration to approve a local governing body resolution for charitable gaming and licenses for the Grant Wrestling Club, INC.
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Hallman to approve the resolution to hold one event.
Motion carried unanimously.

9. Other Business

- a. Wind Turbine data: Next month Mike Toth from Fineline Electric will be here to present the wind study data completed.

10. Information Items / Updates

- a. Verizon Update/AT&T Update: They are finally breaking ground, and we have negotiated \$150 extra per month. We will soon have two competing 4G sources in the City of Grant.
 - b. Community Clean-Up Day - May 20: We have moved the annual clean-up event to this Friday to increase the opportunity for participation with students and other volunteers that historically do not attend when we hold it on a Saturday. We will have several different work sites including Blanche Lake Park, streetscape, Parkview Cemetery, and the City Hall.
 - c. Historical Marker – Water Tower Park: The historical marker has finally arrived and has already been installed!
 - b. Next month DPW – WWTP Walk through: After the June 20th meeting, we will be providing a walk-through tour of the Waste Water Treatment Plant.
11. **Public Comments:**
None
12. **Adjournment** without objection at 7:20p.m.

Mayor Terry Fett

Sherry Powell, Grant City Clerk