

**Grant City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, May 20, 2019**

A Public Hearing of the Grant City Commission - FY 2019-2020 Proposed Budget on Monday, May 20, 2019 at the City of Grant Offices.

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Julie Hallman called the Public Hearing to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
3. **Roll Call:**  
PRESENT: Mayor Julie Hallman, Commissioner Anne Pickard, Commissioner Gerard Williams, Commissioner Kevin Smith, Commissioner Kate Block, and Commissioner Gabe Sanchez  
Others Present: Kasey Jernberg - City Manager, Sherry Powell - Assistant City Manager/Clerk, Brad Wade – Chief of Police, and Steward Sanders – Newaygo County Register of Deeds, and Pam Schwallier – River Country Chamber of Commerce  
ABSENT: Commissioner Matt Bouwkamp  
EXCUSED: None
4. Approval of the Agenda:  
**Motion:** Motion made by Block, second by Sanchez to approve the agenda.  
Motion carried unanimously.
5. **Public Comment** on FY 2019-2020 Proposed Budgets:  
None
6. **Adjournment:**  
Motion: Motion made by Pickard, second by Block to close the public hearing at 7:02 p.m.  
Motion carried unanimously.

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1. **Call to Order – Regular Meeting:** Mayor Julie Hallman called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.
2. **Public Comment on Agenda Items:**  
None
3. Consent Agenda Items:  
**Motion:** Motion made by Block, second by Williams to approve the consent agenda.  
Motion carried unanimously.
4. **Unfinished Business**
  - a. None
5. **New Business, Consideration for:**
  - a. River Country Chamber of Commerce: Pam Schwallier provided an update. They had the 5<sup>th</sup> annual membership meeting at Legends Ranch. They helped sponsor the Pitch North competition. Pam discussed tourism, updated everyone on the upcoming golf outing and Memorial Day celebration. This year they are having an art competition. The Chamber is having a global leadership summit. For members, they have a better, faster, cleaner service app. Pam elaborated on the art competition as a similar setup as ArtPrize is. This year Harvest Fest is set up in conjunction with Homecoming.
  - b. County Register of Deeds update – Stu Standers: Stu gave an update about the transition to a new land records system. They will be offering trainings for anyone interested in learning more about this. The Register of Deeds Office does passports from 8am-4pm. Fremont’s Post Office does them from 10am-2pm, but they do not offer pictures.
  - c. Resolution 19-09: Adoption of FY 2019-2020 Budget:  
**Motion:** Motion made by Smith, second by Pickard to approve the resolution to adopt the budget and appropriate funds.  
Motion carried unanimously.

- d. Motion Item #1: Adoption of Ordinance No. 57 – City of Grant Fire and Emergency Services Fee:  
**Motion:** Motion made by Block, second by Pickard to adopt Ordinance No. 57.  
Jernberg clarified this is for when the Fire Department is sitting on a downed wire.  
Motion carried unanimously.
  - e. Motion Item #2: First Reading: Proposed Ordinance No. 55-2 amending Ordinance No. 55 (Amendments for Regulations for Businesses and Related Activity, regarding Medical Marihuana)  
**Motion:** Motion made by Block, second by Sanchez to approve the first reading of Ordinance 55-2.  
Motion carried with five Yes to one No.
  - f. Discussion Item: Ordinance No. 15-6: Parking: Chief Wade explained issues brought up about people parking between the sidewalk and the roadways. People were told to not park over sidewalks or on roadways. Since 1973, more vehicles are around. There are more vehicles in each household now. SGT Paulsen spoke to these residents, and they were not aware of this ordinance. Some homes have concrete or crushed concrete, but they are not allowed. Things have changed since 1973. Kasey’s issue is that previous City Managers have given approval.  
Williams asked if it’s for homeowners only, or anyone.  
Pickard suggested people park in their garages or driveways.  
Hallman would like to see us re-write this section of the ordinance.  
**Consensus** to proceed in re-writing that section of the ordinance.
6. **Other Business:**
    - a. None
  7. **Information Items:**
    - a. We received a grant for a new DPW truck. Angel Ochoa was hired to fill the seasonal DPW position.  
Chief Wade thanked everyone who supported the Police Department millage. SGT is taking the position and will be staying with us.  
Hallman stated she receives wonderful feedback about Chief and SGT Paulsen.  
Wade stated that Grant is the community they want to work for.
  8. **Public Comments:**  
Williams asked if there is any feedback on the light situation on M-37, and Jernberg stated it has already been taken care of.
  9. **Adjournment:**  
**Motion:** by Block, second by Smith to adjourn at 7:31 p.m.  
Motion carried unanimously.

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Mayor Julie Hallman

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Sherry Powell, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk