

Grant City Commission Regular Meeting

Monday, October 16, 2006 - 7:00pm

1. Call to Order:
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag:
3. Roll Call:
4. Members of the Public may address the City Commission on items that do not appear on the printed agenda. Comments are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes per citizen.
5. Consent Agenda Items:
Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There is no discussion on these items. If discussion is desired, that item(s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.
 - a. Manager's Report
 - b. Approval of the minutes from the September 18, 2006 regular City Commission meeting
 - c. Officers' Reports:
Police, Treasurer, Clerk
 - d. Approval of Bills Paid Report
 - e. Literature
6. Unfinished Business:
 - a. None
7. New Business:
 - a. Resolution 06-33: Providing for the Use of Blanche Lake by BEVRA Racing
 - b. Vacation of Arthur Street Alley
 - c. Resolution 06-34: Providing for the Vacation of the Alley Servicing the West Side of Arthur Street and a Portion of the Alley Servicing West State Street
 - d. Resolution 06-35: Purchase of 150,000 BTU furnace for DPW Department
 - e. Resolution 06-36: Board Appointments
 - f. Discussion of rate schedule updates
 - g. Discussion of 5-year plan for Sewer Facility upgrades
8. Other Business:
Presentation by Commissioner Powell regarding K-16 Ballot Proposal
9. Information Items / Updates:
None
10. Members of the Public may address the City Commission. Comments are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes per citizen.
11. Adjournment

**Grant City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2006**

The regular meeting of the Grant City Commission was held on Monday, October 16, 2006, at the Grant City Offices.

1. *Call to Order:* Mayor Terry Fett called the meeting to order at 7:01p.m.
2. *Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.*
3. *Roll Call:*

PRESENT:

Mayor Terry Fett, Commissioner Mike Gesler, Commissioner Anne Pickard, Commissioner Dan Powell, Commissioner Julie Hallman, Mayor Pro-Tem Harry Robinson, and Commissioner Terri Yeomans.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT:

Frank Peterson – City Manager, Sherry Powell – City Clerk, Laurel Breuker – County Clerk, Rich Grant and David Johnson – Fleis & Vandenbrink Engineering, Derek Hall Sr., Tony Petriella, Sid, McNees, Bryan Hornick, Keven Hoisington, Chad Evans, John Butler – representing BEVRA.

4. *Public Comments:*
None
5. *Consent Agenda:*
a-d. *Approval of the Consent Agenda*
Motion: Motion made by Powell, seconded by Yeomans to approve consent agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.
6. *Unfinished Business:*
None
7. *New Business:*
 - a. Resolution 06-33: Providing for the use of Blanche Lake by BEVRA Racing
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, seconded by Pickard to approve Resolution 06-33.
Discussion led by Sid McNees regarding the history of BEVRA and what they are interested in doing in Grant. He explained their plan to have a race track located approximately 100' off of the southern edge of Blanche Lake Park as well as the use of orange fencing to ensure safety on the track. Questions were raised pertaining to necessary distance from any ice shanty on the lake as well as liability insurance. Registration for races would begin at 8am and actual races would begin between 11:00 and 11:30am. BEVRA explained that they would make a donation to the City of Grant for this annual use.
Motion carried unanimously
 - b-c. Vacation of Arthur Street Alley and Resolution 06-34: Vacation of Alley servicing the west side of Arthur Street and a portion of the alley servicing west State Street.
Motion: Motion made by Hallman, seconded by Pickard to approve Resolution 06-34.
City Manager Peterson explained that there was not cost to either the City of Grant or the property owners to have this process completed.
Motion carried unanimously
 - d. Resolution 06-35: Purchase of 150,000 BTU furnace for Department of Public Works garage
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, seconded by Powell to approve Resolution 06-35.
Motion carried unanimously
 - e. Resolution 06-36: Board Appointment of Roscoe Ostin to Planning Commission
Motion: Motion made by Powell, seconded by Hallman to approve Resolution 06-35 appointing Roscoe Ostin to fill the vacancy of Ken Stander with the term ending November 1, 2007.
Motion carried unanimously
 - f. Discussion of Rates Schedule and updates to Cemetery Rates and rules
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, seconded by Powell to approve updated Rates Schedule.
Motion carried unanimously
Motion: Motion made by Powell, seconded by Robinson to limit the number of grave spaces sold to any one family to a maximum of ten.
Motion carried unanimously
 - g. Discussion of 5-year plan for Sewer facility upgrades
Rich Grant of Fleis & Vandenbrink gave a brief history of many of the needed upgrades at the wastewater treatment facility and presented a proposal to generate a 5-year Capital Improvements Plan. This plan would help position the City for any available financial assistance once the City moves forward with implementation. Grant funds available are a 90% planning grant with a 10% local match.

Motion: Motion made by Powell, seconded by Yeomans to enter into an agreement with Fleis & Vandenbrink at a cost not to exceed \$8,800.00.

Motion carried unanimously

8. *Other Business:*

- a. Presentation by Commissioner Powell speaking against Proposal 5, also known as the K-16 Proposal.

9. *Information Items/Updates:*

City Manager Peterson informed the Commission about the successful collection of over \$12,000.00 in delinquent personal property taxes from one business, and plans to collect more than that amount in the near future.

City Manager Peterson also updated the Commission that the Recreation Plan is almost done, and that he is working with both Ashland and Grant Townships on the plan.

10. *Public Comments:*

Laurel Breuker addressed the Commission and wanted to express her appreciation of the clerk as well as her other local clerks. She is very pleased with how well they have all handled the numerous changes in the entire election process and all of their hard work to ensure elections run smoothly.

11. *Adjournment* without objection at 8:26pm.

Mayor Terry Fett

Sherry Powell, City Clerk

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