

**Grant City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, March 20, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Grant City Commission was held at the City of Grant Municipal Office – 280 S. Maple St.

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Julie Hallman called the meeting to order at **7:00 p.m.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
3. **Roll Call:**
  - Present: Mayor Julie Hallman, Anne Pickard, Gabe Sanchez, Kate Block, Mark Dietz, Brent Raterink, Katie Arens
  - Absent: None
  - Excused: None
  - Others: Kasey Jernberg/City Manager, Sara Bronson/Deputy Clerk, Jen Espanoza/River Country Chamber, Justin Salisbury/DPW
4. **Approval of the Agenda**
  - Motion** made by Commissioner Block, second by Commissioner Dietz to approve the agenda
  - Motion carried unanimously
5. **Public Comment:** Justin Salisbury – spoke regarding his disagreement with the recent sewer backup decision.
6. **Reserved Time:** Jen Espanoza – “Gus Macker” man has been promoting our July tournament hosting at various events in the area, Clover Crawl later this week.
7. **Consent Agenda**
  - Motion** made by Commissioner Block, second by Commissioner Raterink to approve the consent agenda with amendment of the February 20, 2023 minutes reflecting Mayor Hallman abstained on Unfinished Business Item #1
  - Motion carried unanimously
8. **Unfinished Business**
9. **New Business**
  - a. Motion Item #1: Agreement with State Land Bank Authority for the Blight Elimination Program  
Jernberg – city has been able to secure \$46,000 in funds to improve Full Circle resale building on Front street  
**Motion** made by Commissioner Block, second by Commissioner Pickard  
Motion carried unanimously
  - b. Motion Item #2: Resolution #23-02: A Resolution to Purchase, Acquire and Construct Improvements to the Sanitary Sewer System and to Publish Notice of Intent to Issue Revenue Bonds  
**Motion** made by Commissioner Pickard, second by Commissioner Dietz  
Motion carried unanimously
  - c. Motion Item #3: Request to use Water Tower Park – Corewell Health and YMCA Veggie Van  
**Motion** made by Commissioner Raterink, second by Commissioner Block  
Motion carried unanimously
  - d. Discussion Item #1: Veterans Monument  
Consideration for a financial contribution to the veteran’s monument relocation  
Dietz – if the city is going to pay a portion of the project, additional bids need to be obtained from non-related parties, Raterink agreed with Dietz  
Block – since it’s not a city proposal, should city contribute at all?  
Jernberg – stated he will speak with them regarding commitment to the project and the need to solicit more quotes if the City were to financially contribute
  - e. Discussion Item #2: Proposed Mural  
No ordinance preventing murals  
Raterink – consider own forum of residents and not commission, Dietz agreed  
Future discussion of new mural ordinance
10. **Other Business**
  - None
11. **Information Comments**
  - Need volunteers for Chamber events – Clover Crawl this weekend
12. **Public Comments**
  - None
13. **Adjournment**
  - Motion** made by Commissioner Block, second by Commissioner Pickard to adjourn the meeting without objection at **7:31 p.m.**
  - Motion carried unanimously

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Julie Hallman, Mayor

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Sara Bronson, Deputy Clerk