

Grant City Commission Public Hearing Minutes

Monday, July 21, 2008

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1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Terry Fett called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
3. **Roll Call:**
PRESENT: Mayor Terry Fett, Commissioner Cheryl Lake, Commissioner Terri Yeomans, Commissioner Anne Pickard, and Commissioner Harry Robinson
OTHERS PRESENT: Doug La Fave – City Manager, Sherry Powell – Assistant City Manager/Clerk, Bob Wilcox of Fleis & Vandenbrink Engineering, Bernadette Rees, Sanford and Deb Wilson, and Linda Landheer– Newaygo County Register of Deeds.
ABSENT: Commissioner Eric Irwin
EXCUSED: Commissioner Julie Hallman
4. **Public Comment:**
None
12. **Adjournment** without objection at 7:04p.m.

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4. **Approval of the Agenda:**
Motion: Motion made by Lake second by Yeomans to approve the agenda with the addition of item G. Resolution 08-36 under New Business.
Motion carried unanimously.
5. **Public Comment:**
None
6. **Consent Agenda**
a-e. Approval of the Consent Agenda
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Pickard to approve the consent agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.
7. **Unfinished Business:**
 - a. Library Board Appointment: Bernadette Rees
Motion: Motion made by Pickard, second by Robinson to appoint Bernadette Rees as the City of Grant representative to the Grant Area District Library Board.
Motion carried unanimously.
 - b. Ashland-Grant Fire Board Appointment: A.J. McKinley
Motion: Motion made by Robinson, second by Yeomans to appoint A.J. McKinley as the City of Grant representative to the Ashland-Grant Fire Board.
Motion carried unanimously.
 - c. International Property Maintenance Code Second and Final Reading

Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Lake to approve the International Property Maintenance Code as Ordinance No. 53.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. ***New Business***

- a. Linda Landheer, Register of Deeds addressed the Commission and informed them she was running for re-election. She further informed them that her office is working on electronic recording to improve services throughout the county.
- b. Bob Wilcox of Fleis and Vandenbrink, Sewer update: Updated the Commission on the progress with B&B Environmental televising over 14,000 lineal feet throughout the City. They found areas of cracked and broken pipe as well as root intrusion problems. Another problem identified pertains to grease from restaurants, and this needs to be a high priority of the Commission. Our focus area currently is on repairing broken and cracked pipes, and July 25th is the end of the public comment review period. Design is set for fall of 2008 and construction is set to begin in spring 2009.
- c. Resolution 08-34 Authorizing payment for a sewer backup
Motion: Motion made by Lake, second by Pickard to approve Resolution 08-34.
Motion carried unanimously.
Bob Wilcox of Fleis & Vandenbrink commented that copper sulfate could possibly help these lines.
- d. Resolution 08-35 Approving charitable gaming license for the Grant Area Chamber of Commerce for Frontier Festival and other events.
Motion: Motion made by Robinson, second by Lake to approve Resolution 08-35.
Motion carried unanimously.
- f. First reading of the Downtown Development Authority Development & Finance Plan Ordinance No. 54.
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Robinson to accept the first reading as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.
- g. Resolution 08-36 (added to agenda) Authorizing repair and production performance testing of all three community wells.
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Pickard to approve Resolution 08-36.
Motion carried unanimously.

9. ***Other Business***

- a. Planning Commission – Two vacancies.
Deb Wilson expressed an interest in serving as a member on the City Planning Commission.

10. ***Information Items / Updates***

- a. Skatepark grant update: All of the ramps are done and ready, but the summer heat makes it difficult for Milt Barr to complete. Milt spent a great deal of time helping us throughout the Water Tower move, so it could take a couple of months before we can get the welding completed.
- b. Water Tower Park Update: Tom Williams has his crew working on the new roof. A fence crew will likely be here next week, then site amenities will be placed shortly thereafter. The entire park is on schedule for completion before the Grant Frontier Festival near the end of August.
- c. Seasonal Employees: The seasonal employees are working out very well, and getting a lot of mowing done.
- d. Alltel: They are definitely locating at the end of Lee Street on City property and site plans have been submitted to City staff for review.
- e. Planning Commission Meeting-City Master Plan: We covered the day-to-day permits and reviewed the Alltel site plans. A committee was formed to cover goals and objectives.
- f. Security Cameras: The City has funds from a drug bust last year which could be used to purchase these. The Commission expressed an interest in the Chamber of Commerce to build support from all of the area businesses to allow us to add more cameras to the basic system.

11. ***Public Comments:***

Deb Wilson commented that she thinks the security cameras were a great idea as she has had problems with students dumping garbage near her property.

12. ***Adjournment*** without objection at 7:53p.m.

Mayor Terry Fett

Sherry Powell, Grant City Clerk