

Grant City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 17, 2011

The special meeting of the Grant City Commission was held on Monday, January 17, 2011, at the City of Grant Offices.

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Terry Fett called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
3. **Roll Call:**
PRESENT: Mayor Terry Fett, Commissioner Julie Hallman, Commissioner Anne Pickard, Commissioner Cheryl Weeks, Commissioner Terri Yeomans, and Commissioner Matt Bouwkamp
Others Present: Doug La Fave-City Manager, Sherry Powell – Assistant City Manager/Clerk, Dan VanBelzen – Chief of Police, and Representative Jon Bumstead.
ABSENT: None
EXCUSED: Commissioner Kevin Smith
4. **Approval of the Agenda:**
Motion: Motion made by Weeks second by Hallman to approve the agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.
5. **Public Comment:**
Jon Bumstead introduced himself and commented that he is on the DNR Appropriations committee, he is the Vice Chair of the DEQ committee, on Health and Human Services committee, and on the DHS committee.
6. **Consent Agenda**
a-f. Approval of the Consent Agenda
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Weeks to approve the consent agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.
7. **Unfinished Business:**
a. Planning Commission vacancy (1) – Recommended by Mayor Fett.
Anne Pickard asked if there would be any problem with having a current member of the Library board also serve on the Planning Commission. She commented that she has someone in mind since that would not be a problem.
Motion carried unanimously.
8. **New Business**
a. Motion Item: Invoices for USDA Sewer project, \$91,313.11 for Contract 1, \$3,935.58 for Engineering Services.
Motion: Motion made by Pickard, second by Yeomans to approve the invoices for the USDA Sewer Project.
Motion carried unanimously.
b. Resolution 11-01: Resolution for moratorium on medical marihuana operations and facilities.
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Weeks to extend the moratorium on medical marihuana operations and facilities Resolution 11-01.
Motion carried unanimously.
c. Resolution 11-02: Resolution providing for the confirmation of the Mayor's appointments to City DDA Board.
Motion: Motion made by Hallman, second by Pickard to approve Resolution 11-02 appointing Jon Swinehart to a new term ending January 2015.
Motion carried unanimously.
d. Resolution 11-03: Resolution authorizing continued financial support to NCEDO.
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Hallman to approve Resolution 11-03.
Motion carried unanimously.
9. **Other Business**
None
10. **Information Items / Updates**

- a. 2011-2012 FY Budget: We are starting on the budget early this year. Equalization has informed us that taxable value should remain the same. Staff requests for the budget are due on Friday. State Revenue Sharing will be the last piece we are waiting on.
Doug La Fave said he is looking for an idea of what raises should be considered in advance so that he can plug those into the budget now.
Terri Yeomans commented that she would like to see Doug get what his contract states, and staff should be compensated more.
Terry Fett commented that he thinks Doug should receive the amount stated around \$52,000 in his contract. By unanimous consent, the Commission decided they would like Doug to plug in these numbers and the percentages they had discussed and then offer Doug a ten year contract.
- b. Historical Marker-Wood Water Tower: The Historical Commission finally approved the placque.
- c. Verizon cell tower: They will start clearing the site on Friday, and do a phase two environmental analysis.
- d. Safe Routes to School sidewalk grant: Doug will meet with the Schools in February to look at progress and proposed routes.
- e. Sale/Purchase of City Equipment: The sale of the old backhoe worked out well, and the guys really like the used truck we purchased.
- f. Sunday Morning Alcohol Sales: Wesco picked up the Sunday morning alcohol sales license.
- g. Infrastructure Alternatives Inc-Temporary oversight of water system: The price is really good, and this will hold us over until Shawn can pass his test in the spring.

11. **Public Comments:**

None

12. **Adjournment** without objection at 7:24 p.m.

Mayor Terry Fett

Sherry Powell, Grant City Clerk