

Grant City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 15, 2010

The special meeting of the Grant City Commission was held on Monday, February 15, 2010, 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 (7:04pm), Commissioner Anne Pickard, Commissioner Terri Yeomans, and Commissioner Kevin Smith
Others Present: Doug La Fave-City Manager, Sherry Powell – Assistant City Manager/Clerk, Dan VanBelzen – Chief of Police, Joe Pulaski, and Sam Scholtens.
ABSENT: Commissioner Cheryl Weeks
EXCUSED: None
4. **Approval of the Agenda:**

Motion: Motion made by Yeomans second by Smith to approve the agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.
5. **Public Comment:**

None
6. **Consent Agenda**

a-f. *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. Planning Commission vacancies: We have two vacancies on the Planning Commission. Please let us know of any interested candidates.
 - b. Ordinance #27-2, Amended zoning ordinance: By unanimous consent, the Commission agreed to delay this one more month.
8. **New Business**
 - a. Resolution 10-03: Resolution for charitable gaming and licenses for the Grant Area Chamber of Commerce.
Motion: Motion made by Pickard, second by Smith to approve Resolution 10-03.
Motion carried unanimously.
 - b. Resolution 10-04: Resolution for Fire Protection Special Assessment District, Filing of special Assessment Roll, and Notice of Public Hearing.
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Pickard to approve Resolution 10-04.
Motion carried unanimously.
 - c. Resolution 10-05: Resolution authorizing continued financial support to NCEDO.
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Pickard to approve Resolution 10-05.
Motion carried unanimously.
 - d. Motion Item: Invoices for USDA Sewer project.
Motion: Motion made by Smith, second by Hallman to approve these invoices for payment.
Motion carried unanimously.
9. **Other Business**
 - a. Mayor Pro Tem Vacancy: Terry commented that only one individual has expressed interest in the position, and he recommended Terri Yeomans for Mayor Pro Tem. Pickard nominated Yeomans, Smith seconded, unanimous.
 - b. Advantage Auto Wash Request: Sheldon Grosvenor asked Doug to consider a reduced charge for sewer usage for

his car wash, since he believes one half of the water evaporates and does not go into the sewer system.

Discussion

included a possible installation of an industrial type of meter, but the debt service fees would likely not offer a cost savings. No action was taken.

10. **Information Items / Updates**

- a. Streetscape: One issue we are dealing with involves the final costs, due largely in part to added curbing as well as an unusual drainage structure. We think the MDOT billing process is flawed and may very well be incorrect.
- b. Sewer Project update: Everything is moving along well. We are frustrated that they are requiring us to replace an outdated shower that has never been used, at a cost of \$18,000.
- c. Community Building update: The project is nearing the end, with the handicap ramp planned for installation when weather permits. Milt Barr of Grant Welding is finishing up with the hand rails.
- d. School Flasher Signs: We need at least a three day stretch to complete the other sign crossings.
- e. Ashland-Grant Fire District: A.J. McKinley had previously asked Doug to help the Fire Department with some grant requests of \$35,000 for needed equipment. Doug is still waiting for required documents before he is able to finalize and submit the grant requests.

11. **Public Comments:**

Sam Scholtens commented that the Community Center is going to be a nice, usable building for area residents.

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

Mayor Terry Fett

Sherry Powell, Grant City Clerk