

Grant City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 18, 2018

The special meeting of the Grant City Commission was held on Monday, June 18, 2018, at the City of Grant Offices.

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Julie Hallman called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
3. **Roll Call:**
PRESENT: Mayor Julie Hallman (Exc), Anne Pickard, Matt Bouwkamp, Kate Block, Kevin Smith, and Gabe Sanchez
ABSENT: Gerard Williams
EXCUSED:
Others Present: Ryan Rudzis - City Manager, Kasey Jernberg, Brad Wade – Chief of Police, Jennifer Koopman.
4. **Approval of the Agenda**
Motion made by Smith, second by Block to approve the agenda with additions.
Motion carried unanimously
5. **Public Comment**
None
6. **Consent Agenda Items**
Motion made by Pickard, second by Sanchez to approve the consent agenda with budget amendments.
Motion carried unanimously
7. **Unfinished Business**
 - a. Tree at Farmer's Market: Bouwkamp is in agreement the tree is in the way, but thinks it should be replaced. He is concerned about the costs.
Pickard thinks the new parking lot is a good location for the replacement tree.
Motion made by Block, second by Pickard to remove the tree.
Motion carried unanimously
8. **New Business**
 - a. River Country Chamber of Commerce: Koopman informed the Commission that Chad from White Agency will be replacing Lightfoot. Harvest Festival will be the second Saturday in October.
 - b. Discussion Item #1: Ordinance Enforcement: Pickard stated that she had been approached about a house on Lake Street that has been cleaned up only somewhat.
Smith said he has heard nothing about this issue.
Bouwkamp stated Chief Wade is doing awesome. He thinks complaints should go to the Police Department and not office staff.
Wade clarified there are a token few houses, but not many. He asked everyone to contact him with concerns. He showed the Commission new door hangers to notify property owners.
 - c. Motion Item #1: Mutual Aid Agreement with Newaygo County Sheriff's Office: Rudzis has a meeting tomorrow to approve, and would like authorization from Commission. Other local units are on board.
Wade spoke with Sheriff about 1995 agreement, not much has changed. When someone needs help, they don't care when department responds.

Rudzis stated the County population is spread out.

Motion made by Pickard, second by Block to approve the agreement.

Motion carried unanimously

9. ***Other Business***

None

10. ***Information Items***

Pickard asked Rudzis to explain the letter from Hallman, and Rudzis said he can't speak for Hallman.

11. ***Public Comments***

Wade stated northbound traffic said it was open to Lee Street. Citations thrown out of court. MDOT is going to remove the sign. On Elder, the Road Commission will place "reduce speed ahead" sign before city limits.

12. ***Adjournment***

Motion made by Smith, second by Sanchez to adjourn the meeting at 7:26pm.

Motion carried unanimously

Mayor Pro-Tem Matt Bouwkamp

Sherry Powell, Assistant City Manager/Clerk
(Minutes taken by Kasey Jernberg)