

**Grant City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, October 18, 2010**

The special meeting of the Grant City Commission was held on Monday, October 18, 2010, at the City of Grant Offices.

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 Julie Hallman, Commissioner Anne Pickard, Commissioner Cheryl Weeks, Commissioner Terri Yeomans, and Commissioner Kevin Smith  
Others Present: Doug La Fave-City Manager, Sherry Powell – Assistant City Manager/Clerk, Dan Graham, Kelli Weldon, Melissa Cunningham, Lester Deiosh, and Simon Scholtens.  
ABSENT: None  
EXCUSED: Matt Bouwkamp
4. **Approval of the Agenda:**

**Motion:** Motion made by Yeomans second by Weeks 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 Smith, second by Hallman to approve the consent agenda.  
Motion carried unanimously.
7. **Unfinished Business:**
  - a. Planning Commission vacancies: We still have two vacancies on the Planning Commission.
  - b. ZBA vacancies: We still have a vacancy on the ZBA, and have considered combining back with the City Commission.
8. **New Business**
  - a. Motion Item: Invoices for USDA Sewer project, \$9,448.10 for Engineering Services and \$91,280.54 for Contract 1  
**Motion:** Motion made by Hallman, second by Weeks to approve the invoices for the USDA Sewer Project.  
Motion carried unanimously.
  - b. Motion Item: Request for Grant Youth Cheer Club to rent the Community Center on Monday nights for 2 hours for \$70 per use, provided they have and provide to the City a copy of their liability insurance as well as require each participant to sign a hold harmless agreement with the City of Grant.  
**Motion:** Motion made by Yeomans, second by Pickard to approve/deny the request.  
Motion carried unanimously.
  - c. Resolution 10-31: Resolution to sell City property.  
**Motion:** Motion made by Weeks, second by Hallman to approve Resolution 10-31.  
Motion carried unanimously.
  - d. Resolution 10-32: Resolution approving partnering with Grant Public Schools for the purchase of diesel fuel.  
**Motion:** Motion made by Yeomans, second by Pickard to approve Resolution 10-32.  
Commissioner Yeomans commented that she thinks it is great we are partnering with the Schools.  
Motion carried unanimously.
  - e. Resolution 10-33: Resolution approving the 2010 amendment to the fire protection and merger agreement.  
**Motion:** Motion made by Smith, second by Weeks to approve Resolution 10-33.  
Motion carried unanimously.
  - f. Resolution 10-34: Resolution committing funding to the amended joint fire protection and merger agreement.  
**Motion:** Motion made by Weeks, second by Hallman to approve Resolution 10-34.  
Motion carried unanimously.

- e. Resolution 10-35: Resolution amending the City of Grant Personnel Policy (pertain to future employees and paying out sick time.)

**Motion:** Motion made by Yeomans, second by Hallman to approve Resolution 10-35.  
Motion carried unanimously.

9. **Other Business**

- a. Annual Audit: We just completed the audit, everything went very well, and we are implementing their few recommendations.

10. **Information Items / Updates**

- a. Neighborhood Watch: Dan Graham commented that the speaker who was going to talk about drug enforcement was unable to attend at he was called at the last minute to a drug enforcement case.
- b. Historical Marker: Eastern Michigan University wants to add the tank volume information and some additional details on the plaque.
- c. Verizon Wireless Lease: The lease agreement is still going through the formal approval process.
- d. Crack sealing-City Streets: We got nearly 100% more than what we paid for.
- e. Sgt. Joe Pulaski Donation: The Pulaski family donated \$3,000 to the police department, to be used for various police department needs.
- f. Streetlight audit: The streetlight audit is complete, and we have determined there are three lights not in our jurisdiction we have been paying for over the years. We will receive a refund for the last three years on two of them, and the third is not so clear cut as it is right on the boundary line.
- g. Newaygo County "work detail" for cemetery: The Department of Public Works could use the help cleaning up leaves in the cemetery for one day. The cost is \$42.90 per hours, and covers the cost of four to six non-violent and low-risk inmates and one Sheriff's Department Officer. The City Police Department and DPW crew will also be present during this one day cleanup.
- h. Safe Routes to School sidewalk grant: Grant Public School is officially registered now, and we will be setting up some meetings. The routes will be determined and agreed upon by the Police Department, the Department of Public Works, and Grant Public Schools.

11. **Public Comments:**

Kelli Weldon asked about the work detail in the cemetery, and if the work would be done during the school day. She asked if the City has notified the Schools that this will take place, and was concerned that criminals would be too close to the school and she has kids in the school.

Doug La Fave responded that the work detail will be done under the direct supervision of the Sheriff's Department Officer as well as the Grant Police Department and the City of Grant's Department of Public Works throughout the one day. He commented that the schools would be notified once it is actually scheduled, and that the work detail would only include non-violent offenders serving time for things like DUI's and such. We would obviously not have any violent inmates working anywhere near the schools.

Simon Scholtens commented that the County is sponsoring the governmental summit this Saturday, with registration at 8:00am and it should be completed by 3:15pm.

12. **Adjournment** without objection at 7:27p.m.

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Mayor Terry Fett

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Sherry Powell, Grant City Clerk