

Grant City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 21, 2016

The special meeting of the Grant City Commission was held on Monday, November 21, 2016, at the City of Grant Offices.

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Julie Hallman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
3. **Roll Call:**
PRESENT: Mayor Julie Hallman, Anne Pickard, Matt Bouwkamp, Harold Portell, Cheryl Weeks, Kevin Smith, and Tim Atwood
ABSENT:
EXCUSED:
Others Present: Ryan Rudzis - City Manager, Sherry Powell - Assistant City Manager/Clerk
4. **Approval of the Agenda**
Addition of Item f. Resolution 16-07 Approval for road closures under New Business:
Motion made by Bouwkamp, second by Portell to approve the agenda with additions.
Motion carried unanimously
5. **Public Comment**
Lisa Lightfoot shared info from RC3. Muskegon Watershed projects. Harvest Moon Festival will be Oct 13-14 in 2017. Christmas in Grant will be Dec 9th in 2017. She shared that Chamber Master collects information on website hits from outside of community, and it shows how people are looking for information. Charles Chandler is on the Economic Development Committee and they are looking into trails. Mention of the Promise Zone project for college funding. Lisa introduced Jennifer Koopman as the new Chamber representative replacing Tina Hall.
6. **Consent Agenda Items**
Motion made by Weeks, second by Portell to approve the consent agenda, which included approval of Resolution 16-07.
Motion carried unanimously
7. **Unfinished Business**
None
8. **New Business**
 - a. Resolution 16-05: Resolution to increase sewer rates beginning July 1, 2017.
Motion made by Pickard, second by Smith to approve the resolution.
Pickard clarified the effective date.
Motion carried unanimously
 - b. Motion Item #1: Sgt. Brad Wade or Sgt. Dan Evans as Chief of Police
Motion made by Hallman, second by Bouwkamp to approve the motion to hire Brad Wade as Chief of Police.
Roll Call: Mayor Julie Hallman: Yes
Tim Atwood: Yes
Matt Bouwkamp: Yes
Anne Pickard: Yes
Harold Portell: Yes
Kevin Smith: Yes
Cheryl Weeks: No
Motion carried

- c. Motion Item #2: Approval of waste removal contract. Rudzis elaborated 5 yr contract.
Motion made by Portell, second by Atwood to approve the motion to approve A-Waste at City being billed at \$10/month.
Pickard asked about proposal. Different numbers between first page and second page. 65 gal container \$27a/qtr making \$9/mo. This is for monthly curbside clean-up, if the City pays it. If A-Waste bills it, it will be more. He sent a proposal going both ways.
Rudzis clarified this is an option we could add on.
Ken Page elaborated on curbside pick-up, and that Newaygo does that currently. There are a lot of restrictions. They have been doing it for the past ten years, and it is \$11 per month for a larger container, which is cheaper than now.

Motion carried unanimously

- d. Resolution 16-06: Recognition of Jacob Peterson's Eagle Scout Project was postponed to next meeting.

- e. Motion to approve well cleaning

Motion made by Weeks, second by Portell to approve the motion to approve up to \$8,000
Weeks asked what the impact is if more works needs to be done.

Botsford said it was recommended to be cleaned because we disturbed the rust.

Weeks asked if it will take care of the problem.

Botsford said it will take care of it. We will rotate cleaning the wells. Peerless or Raymers

Motion carried unanimously

- f. Resolution 16-07: A resolution for closure of City streets for December festivals was inadvertently approved in the consent agenda.

Motion carried unanimously

9. ***Other Business***

Shawn Botsford said we had a lot of grease in the muffin monster at the WWTP.

Rudzis said DEQ would pay for demolition, remediation for the Mini Mart property if we do acquire it.

10. ***Information Items***

11. ***Public Comments***

None

12. ***Adjournment***

Motion made by Portell, second by Atwood to without objection at 7:16pm.

Motion carried unanimously

Mayor Julie Hallman

Sherry Powell, Assistant City Manager/Clerk