

Grant City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 20, 2010

The special meeting of the Grant City Commission was held on Monday, December 20, 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 Terri Yeomans, and Commissioner Kevin Smith
OTHERS PRESENT: Doug La Fave-City Manager, Sherry Powell – Assistant City Manager/Clerk, Officer Mitch Rood of the Grant Police Department, Shawn Botsford – Department of Public Works Supervisor, and Dan Graham.
ABSENT: Commissioner Matt Bouwkamp
EXCUSED: Commissioner Cheryl Weeks
4. **Approval of the Agenda:** Added Language to Item i. Resolution 10-45 under New Business: Authority to purchase equipment to not exceeding the sale price of the old equipment.
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans second by Hallman 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 Smith to approve the consent agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.
7. **Unfinished Business:**
a. Planning Commission vacancy (1) – Recommended by Mayor Fett: We still have one vacancy remaining.
8. **New Business**
a. Motion Item: Invoices for USDA Sewer project, \$8,642.78 for Engineering Services.
Motion: Motion made by Hallman, second by Pickard to approve the invoices for the USDA Sewer Project.
Doug La Fave commented that the walk thru was completed this morning, and only retainage is remaining as we finish the project under budget.
Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Resolution 10-38: Resolution to enter into a contract with Consumers Energy for light services extending 1 year.
Motion: Motion made by Smith second by Hallman to approve the contract with Consumers Energy.
Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Resolution 10-39: Resolution to make changes in regards to quantities of lights to Consumers Energy contract.
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Pickard to approve the changes to the Consumers Energy contract.
Motion carried unanimously.
- d. Resolution 10-40: Resolution approving for the replacement purchase of water treatment scale for the water system.
Motion: Motion made by Hallman, second by Smith to approve Resolution 10-40.
Motion carried unanimously.
- e. Resolution 10-41: Resolution approving the purchase of a stainless steel “V” body sand and salt spreader.
Motion: Motion made by Yeomans, second by Pickard to approve the Resolution 10-41.
Shawn Botsford was asked what trucks this can be used with, and he responded that it can go into any of our existing trucks with a simple process of switching it out.
Motion carried unanimously.
- f. Resolution 10-42: Resolution approving a cash handling policy for the City of Grant.
Motion: Motion made by Smith, second by Yeomans to approve Resolution 10-42.
Motion carried unanimously.
- g. Resolution 10-43: Resolution approving an investment policy for the City of Grant.
Motion: Motion made by Hallman, second by Pickard to approve Resolution 10-43.
Motion carried unanimously.

- h. Resolution 10-44: Resolution amending the City of Grant personnel policy.
Motion: Motion made by Pickard, second by Smith to approve Resolution 10-44.
Doug La Fave commented that offering comp time to part-time and miscellaneous part-time officers working a holiday does not make much sense, and this would put a permanent solution to the question of how to pay them.
Motion carried unanimously.
 - i. Resolution 10-45: Resolution to sell City Property (As amended at the beginning of the meeting)
Motion: Motion made by Hallman, second by Smith to approve Resolution 10-45.
Motion carried unanimously.
 - j. Resolution 10-46: Resolution providing for the confirmation of Mayor's appointments to City Boards.
Motion: Motion made by Smith, second by Hallman to approve Resolution 10-46.
Motion carried with four Yes votes and Yeomans abstaining.
9. **Other Business**
- a. Ordinance #21-Dog Ordinance: The Commission discussed various concerns and financial limitations on the ability to enforce any new requirements if they chose to amend the existing ordinance. The consensus was to have City staff more strictly enforce the existing ordinance and revisit the issue if it is determined necessary.
 - b. MLCC-Sunday Liquor Sales: Only the times when sales are allowed would be affected, and we are unaware of any Sunday sales issues here in Grant.
10. **Information Items / Updates**
- a. Neighborhood Watch: They had a very short meeting on December 6th. Dan Graham explained that Officer Fragale would like to change the meeting to once every three months and would like to ask Sheriff Department Deputy Green to help create a call list.
 - b. Historical Marker-Wood Water Tower: Shawn took the measurements and the volume ended up right around 44,000 gallons of water. Hopefully we will get good news that the plaque was finally approved.
 - c. Ashland-Grant Fire contract: The contract is signed, yet a few Fire Board members are still not reading correctly how it works. The Fire Board meetings are scheduled at a time of day when the public is generally unable to attend.
 - d. Safe Routes to School sidewalk grant: Doug met with staff and the schools last week, and the preliminary routes are well in progress. We are hoping to receive between \$50,000 and \$60,000 in grants. The schools will send out the required surveys, and the next meeting is in February.
11. **Public Comments:**
None
12. **Adjournment** without objection at 7:41 p.m.

Mayor Terry Fett

Sherry Powell, Grant City Clerk