

Grant City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 16, 2013

A Public Hearing of the Grant City Commission to receive comments on Ordinance #56 on Monday, December 16, 2013 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 , Commissioner Anne Pickard, Commissioner Kevin Smith, Commissioner Matt Bouwkamp, and Commissioner Harold Portell
Others Present: Doug La Fave – City Manager, Sherry Powell – Assistant City Manager/Clerk, Dan VanBelzen – Chief of Police
ABSENT: None
EXCUSED: Commissioner Cheryl Weeks
4. **Approval of the Agenda:**
Motion: Motion made by Portell, second by Hallman to approve the agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.
5. **Public Comment** on Ordinance #56:
None
6. **Adjournment** without objection at 7:02 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Grant City Commission was held on Monday, December 16, 2013, at the City of Grant Offices.

1. **Call to Order – Regular Meeting:** Mayor Terry Fett called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.
2. **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:**
None
3. **Consent Agenda**
a-e. Approval of the Consent Agenda
Motion: Motion made by Smith, second by Portell to approve the consent agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.
4. **Unfinished Business:**
a. N/A
5. **New Business**
a. Motion Item #1: Consideration for regular City Commission meeting dates and times through Nov. 2015 election cycle.
Motion: Motion made by Pickard, second by Hallman to keep the meeting dates and time as they currently are (3rd Monday monthly at 7:00pm.)
Motion carried unanimously
- b. Motion Item #2: Consideration: To appoint Mayor Pro Tem through Nov. 2015 election cycle.
Mayor Fett recommended Julie Hallman for the Mayor Pro Tem position.
Motion: Motion made by Pickard, second by Portell to appoint Julie Hallman as the Mayor Pro Tem.
Motion carried, with Hallman abstaining.
- c. Ordinance #56: Consideration: Second and final reading.
Motion: Motion made by Portell, second by Smith to approve Ordinance #56.
Motion carried unanimously

- d. Resolution 13-28: Consideration: To recognize the Grant Music Boosters as a nonprofit organization for a charitable gaming license.
Motion: Motion made by Hallman, second by Bouwkamp to approve the Resolution.
Hallman asked if they have any event planned.
Motion carried unanimously.
- e. Resolution 13-29: Consideration: To confirm the Mayor's appointments to City boards – Planning Commission (Deb Wilson and Nancy Callen through Dec 31, 2016) and Board of Review (Fred Finkbeiner through Dec 31, 2016.).
Motion: Motion made by Portell, second by Pickard to approve the Resolution.
Motion carried unanimously.
- f. Resolution 13-30: Consideration: To add/approve changes to the City fee rate schedule (add late fees – 10% sewer, 5.4% water to the schedule.)
Motion: Motion made by Hallman, second by Smith to approve the Resolution.
Pickard asked what they used to be.
Motion carried unanimously.
- g. Resolution 13-31: Consideration: To authorize the 2013-2014 CIPP project for the sewer collection system (\$57,325.)
Motion: Motion made by Portell, second by Hallman to approve the Resolution.
Portell asked if we only got three bids. Doug explained there are not many companies in the area that can do this work.
Motion carried unanimously.

6. **Other Business**

- a. N/A

7. **Information Items / Updates**

- a. Amphitheatre project: January is when we will get the steel to wrap this project up by spring.
- b. Former CSX property: We closed on the property, and the quit claim deed actually arrived today. We are going to try to clean up the property lines with the other building that is partially on our property. We are planning to have green space, blacktop, a fence, landscaping, and a solution to assist with water drainage issues. The DPW placed steel at each corner staked.
- c. Parkview Cemetery: The fence is finally up! It looks nice and should help direct foot traffic to the sidewalks. The signs will be addressed in the spring.
- d. RCAP – low to mod survey: We were pre-approved from the MEDC to have the Rural Community Assistance Program conduct a low to mod survey in the City of Grant. The Census tracts divide the City nearly down the middle. This survey is very similar to the one used in the Census. We would have to pay a third party to verify the official results, but projects like the CIPP might then be eligible for assistance.

8. **Public Comments:**

None

9. **Adjournment** without objection at 7:19 p.m.

Mayor Terry Fett

Sherry Powell, Assistant City Manager/Clerk