

**GROVE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017
6:00 PM
MINUTES**

The Grove City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 6:00 PM with Mayor, Ed Trumbull presiding. Members present was Josh McElhaney, Don Nielsen, Marty Dyer and Ivan Devitt. Also present was City Manager, Bill Keefer, Attorney, Darren Cook; Assistant City Manager, Debbie Bottoroff; City Treasurer, Lisa Allred; Public Works Director, Jack Bower and City Clerk, Bonnie Buzzard.

Trumbull presented a plaque and a Certificate of Recognition to Bill Holt, Cemetery Sexton for 25 years of service to the City of Grove as part of the OML Honor Roll of Service Program.

Devitt made the motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve the purchase order register. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to the acceptance of the 2016-2017 Annual Audit. Anna Elfrink – MS, CPA presented and discussed in detail her report on the Audit of Financial Statement for the year ending 06.30.17. Elfrink reported that this audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statement that collectively comprise the City of Grove’s financial statements as a whole. Elfrink reported no major discrepancies in the audit being presented. Elfrink fielded questions from the Council. The audit presentation last for approximately 10 minutes. Elfrink added that this is an unqualified opinion of the audit, and that it contains no issues. Elfrink commended the City Staff on their helpfulness that was offered to her during the audit process. Dyer made the motion to approve the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year audit as presented and discussed. Seconded by Nielsen. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to the approval of an Ordinance amending Part 4, Section 4-103.C of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grove, Oklahoma as it pertains to animal regulations. Bottoroff reported that this proposed Ordinance was presented to the City Council for consideration at the 12-05-17 meeting to address the number of agriculture animals that may be allowed on property within an A-1 Agriculture District. The Staff requested that the Council table the item to allow for revisions to provide exemptions for agricultural animals that are housed on school property by students, and to address the public comments received for allowing certain animals within the A-1 district. Bottoroff noted that the Staff researched other cities regulations on allowing chickens within their city limits, and that the proposed Ordinance creates definitions and regulations regarding chickens in agriculture zoned districts, and provides exemptions under certain conditions. Devitt made the motion to approve the Ordinance as presented amending the animal regulations. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

McElhaney made the motion to approve the Resolution amending the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year City Capital fund budget. Seconded by Nielsen. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Nielsen made the motion to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with Delaware County for Emergency Management Services. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve a Resolution adopting an Active Shooter Emergency Policy. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve a Resolution adopting a Safe Routes to School Policy. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to approval of Memorandums of Understanding with various Rural Fire Districts for 911 Dispatching Services. Keefer reported that he had received the last outstanding MOU from Seneca – Cayuga Fire Department. Devitt made the motion to approve the MOU from Seneca-Cayuga Fire Department. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:

Keefer reported that they officially conducted ground breaking ceremony today for the F-4 Static Display to be located just east of the Ferra Building on East Highway 10. The event showed overwhelming support.

Keefer noted that in the packet for the January 2nd City Council meeting will be information for discussion pertaining to the Special Election for the 4/10th Sales Tax election. Keefer added that GMSA met earlier this afternoon and unanimously expressed their support to the City Council for this special election.

Keefer also mentioned that in the next City Council packet will be information for discussion for the Marshall bidding for the upcoming Bass Master Elite documents.

WARD REPORTS:

Trumbull made notice that Judith Read was not in attendance, and understood that she was in the hospital therefore he wished her well.

Trumbull wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

McElhaney reported that he enjoyed the events last Saturday and the Christmas Parade later that evening. McElhaney expressed his appreciation to the Grove Area Chamber of Commerce on a job well done.

Dyer wished all a Merry Christmas.

Devitt wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

At 6:36 PM Devitt made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Nielsen. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.