

**GROVE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2018
6:00 PM
MINUTES**

The Grove City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at 6:00 PM with Mayor, Ed Trumbull presiding, Members present were 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.

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 minutes from the 03-24-2018 special 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 to a Resolution expressing the City of Grove's support for school funding by reading the Resolution in its entirety, and by strongly pronouncing his professional concerns on the legislature past, and most recent actions appropriated towards the funding of education. Dyer made the motion to approve the Resolution as presented. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to an Agreement with Rose & McCrary for resident project representation services (inspection services). Rose & McCrary Vice-President, Tim McCrary addressed the Council to report that the agreement includes an amendment to the owner-engineers agreement to the City Hall Parking Lot project in the amount of \$35,000 for standard hourly Engineering / Production rates and hourly Surveying rates for resident project representative. McCrary entertained questions, comments and concerns from the Council and Staff. Dyer made the motion to approve the Agreement with Rose & McCrary for resident project representative service as presented. Seconded by Nielsen. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull then opened the floor for discussion with respect to the bids for the Annual Street Repair/Improvement Program. Poe & Associates, Inc. Vice-President, Jim Hemphill addressed the Council to report that four bids were received for this project and that the results were compiled for bid tabulations. There were a few totaling errors noted on the bid tabulation for one of the bidders, but the errors did not influence the apparent low bidder. The base bids ranged from the low bid of \$572,059.40 (Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc.) to the high bid of \$865,521.32 (B&S Construction and Trucking Company LLC). The Engineers estimate was \$651,655.00 with a total available budget of \$820,430.00. Hemphill added that after a thorough review of the four bids, it was found that both B&S Construction and Trucking Company LLC and Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc, failed to acknowledge receipt of Addendum #1 on their bid forms, and are therefore considered non-responsive bids. The bid submitted by Crossland Heavy Contractors was found to be complete in all respects with a base bid of \$573,474.75, and therefore it is recommended that the base bid plus Additive Alternate #1 &

2 in the total amount of \$727,434.05 by awarded to Crossland Heavy Contractors. Representative of Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc. – Tyson Collins addressed the Council and Staff with compelling documents indicating that they were not aware of Addendum #1, and that they attended the pre-construction meeting as scheduled by Poe & Associates. Collins noted that the second apparent low bidder was Crossland Heavy Contractors, and that their total bid was approximately \$10,000 higher. Collins entertained questions, comments, and concerns from the Council. Hemphill reiterated that he fully disclosed the Addendum existence, and its need for acknowledgement in the bid documentation. The Council turned to Attorney, Cook for his professional opinion on this discrepancy. Cook reported that the City Council has full range of authority to waive the acknowledgement if they choose to do so, and approve the low bid as presented. Dyer reported that the City of Grove has contracted Mr. Hemphill to advise the City on this project, and therefore; made the motion to approve the recommendation from Poe & Associates, and award the bid to Crossland Heavy Contractors as presented and discussed. Seconded by Devitt. AYE: Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: McElhaney. Motion carried.

Devitt made a motion to approve a Resolution amending the City 2017-2018 FY Budget. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve a Proclamation declaring April as Fair Housing Month. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve a Resolution promoting Fair and Affordable Housing in the City of Grove. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Keefer reported that on the next agenda the Council will be considering the bid on the Solid Waste collection plus numerous public hearings to determine whether selected structure(s) should be designated as a dilapidated structure and detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the general public.

Keefer added that Bill Dyer announced his resignation to the GMSA board so the Staff will be advertising for that position along with two other possible positions on the Planning and Zoning Board.

WARD REPORTS:

McElhaney expressed his personal thanks to the teachers and to Mr. Trumbull for the support they extend to the kids, and for putting their needs first.

At 6:35 PM Devitt made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Nielsen. AYE: McElhaney, Nielsen, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.