

**GROVE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2019
6:00 PM
MINUTES**

The Grove City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 6:00 PM with Mayor, Ed Trumbull presiding. Members present were Josh McElhaney, Matt Henderson, Marty Dyer and Ivan Devitt. Also present was City Manager, Bill Keefer; Assistant City Manager, Debbie Bottoroff; Public Works Director, Jack Bower and City Clerk, Bonnie Buzzard. Attorney, Darren Cook and City Treasurer, Lisa Allred was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Trumbull presented each of the following City employees a plaque and Certificate of Appreciation thanking them for their years of service:

- a) Ron Crawford – Police Officer – 20 Years
- b) Jamie Highley – Police Detective – 20 Years
- c) Bonnie Buzzard – City/Court Clerk – 30 Years

Trumbull opened the floor for a Presentation from Kabe Huggins, Troop 713 B.S.A. in regards to his Eagle Scout Service Project Proposal. Huggins addressed the Council to report that he is wanting to serve the community by constructing a six foot, 241 feet long sidewalk from the YMCA to 10th Street (Littlegate Addition to the Sports and Recreation area) to order provide residents a new walking and biking access to the City Sports and Recreations facility, pool, park, hospital and YMCA. Huggins added that the project is possible because of the approval of the property owners and their willingness to relocate their fence 16 feet to the East allowing for construction of the sidewalk. Huggins added that he has meet with City Manager, Bill Keefer and Public Works Director, Jack Bower to present the scope of the project and the existing easement. Huggins indicated that they have both expressed their support for the project. Huggins also detailed on the estimated project cost of \$2,000 - \$6,000, project funding and potential upgrades. Keefer reported that the he discussed with Huggins that the City might have the opportunities to provide in-kind service to the project which could include dirt work, providing base rock and compaction along with assuming maintenance of sidewalk once it is completed. Devitt made the motion to authorize the Staff to proceed with support of this project. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

McElhaney made the motion to approve the minutes from the November 19, 2019 meeting as corrected. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

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

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to declaring various unusable items as surplus material. Keefer reported that Building and Grounds Supervisor, Craig Criger requested that the City surplus the following two item:

- 1. The old single slip dock located at Wolf Creek Park, and
- 2. 1 – Pro Mow gang mower

Keefer reported that the Staff is recommending that they both be declared as surplus and be allowed to dispose of per the City policy. Dyer made the motion to declare the above-mentioned items as surplus and authorize their disposal in accordance to policy. Seconded by Devitt. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to a Resolution supporting the City of Grove's retirement recruitment efforts. Keefer reported that this is a Resolution supporting the City of Grove's retirement efforts as part of the requirements to acquire the Seal of Approval from the American Association of Retirement Communities. Chamber of Commerce Director, Donnie Crain addressed the Council to report that this Resolution expresses endorsement from the City as part of the City's Economic Development Strategy, it designates the Grove Area Chamber of Commerce as the official sponsoring organization, and designates the President of Grove Area Chamber of Commerce as the program director for recruitment efforts. Crain entertained questions and comments from the Council and Staff. Devitt made the motion to approve the Resolution. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion regarding a Resolution amending the 2019-2020 fiscal year budget. Keefer respectfully requested that the \$167,000 pertaining to the Capital Improvement Plan for the Grove Municipal Airport Managing Authority be removed prior to approval. Devitt made the motion to approve the Resolution as presented and revised. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve the notice of posting of the regular scheduled meetings for 2020 calendar year. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Keefer reminded the Council of the following events:

1. Public Meeting at City Hall hosted by the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for the North Highway 59 Project
2. Upcoming open house for the City's Comprehensive Plan for Saturday, December 14th from 3:30 to 7:00 PM here at City Hall.
3. Official Christmas tree lighting ceremony for Friday, December 6th on the front lawn of City Hall

Keefer reported that the City placed funds in the current budget for the proposed research project with GRDA and ODWC regarding the fishery around the lake. Keefer announced that project was denied by the Oklahoma Wildlife and asked if the City would be interested in utilizing those funds for a possible Wildlife grant for a fishery habitat project. The Council was in agreement.

WARD REPORT:

McElhaney commended Donnie Crain for all his hard work conveyed on behalf of the City of Grove.

At 6:40 PM Devitt made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Henderson. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.