

**GROVE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2020  
6:00 PM  
VIDEOCONFERENCE  
MINUTES**

The Grove City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, May 5, 2020 at 6:00 PM with Mayor, Ed Trumbull presiding via videoconference from his personal residence. Members Josh McElhaney, Matt Henderson, Marty Dyer and Ivan Devitt participated via videoconference from their personal residence. Also participating remotely was City Manager, Bill Keefer from his office located at City Hall; Attorney, Darren Cook from his personal residence; Assistant City Manager, Debbie Bottoroff from her office located at City Hall; City Treasurer, Lisa Allred from her office located at City Hall; Public Works Director, Jack Bower from his office located at City Hall and City Clerk, Bonnie Buzzard from her office located at City Hall.

Trumbull announced that should audio is lost or compromised, the public body will attempt to restore communication for a maximum of thirty (30) minutes. If communication is not restored within that time frame, the meeting will reconvene on Wednesday, May 6, 2020 at 4:00 PM remotely via video conference.

Devitt made the motion to approve the minutes from the April 21, 2020 meeting. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve minutes from the April 24, 2020 Emergency Meeting. Seconded by McElhaney. 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 review of Resolution #20-007 Declaring a State of Emergency and implementing mandatory emergency provisions as amended and approving of a new proposed Resolution adopting the Governor's Open Up and Recover Safely Plan. Trumbull announced that he would read the current Resolution #20-007 by each line item for consideration of changes from the Council after each section. No changes were discussed to the Resolution until Trumbull introduced:

Section 2.c – Public Facilities – *Open to Public using social distancing and subject to social gathering*

- Tennis Courts
- Skate Park
- Walking Trails
- Library – in compliance with the Eastern Oklahoma Library System regulations
- Wolf Creek Park & Boating Facility – Individuals

*Beginning May 15, 2020, organized events may be held at the following facilities*

- Softball and Baseball fields
- Soccer Fields
- Wolf Creek Park and Boating Facility

*Until further notice, the following are closed to the public:*

- Civic Center
- Community Center
- Senior Citizens Center
- Library
- Parks & playgrounds equipment (swings, slides, climbing bars, toys and other such apparatuses)
- Splash Pad
- Swimming Pool
- Basketball courts

Section 2.f – (amended to read) Event cancellations and revoked permits - Until further notice the following events are cancelled

*All public or private events not covered by the OURS plan that are to be held on any City street, sidewalk, facility, park, or property are revoked and no future permits shall be issued*

The summary and discussion of the new proposed Resolution lasted for approximately one (1) hours, and during that time the Council and Staff entertained questions, comments and concerns from the following individuals on various sections of the Resolution:

- Debbie Brixey
- Lee Cathy
- Donnie Crain

Devitt made the motion to approve a new Resolution Declaring a State of Emergency and implementing mandatory emergency provisions as amended and discussed adopting the Governor's Open Up and Recover Safely Plan. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve an application to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for a grant through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) for the Grove Regional Airport. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve a Resolution amending the 2019-2020 City Capital Fund. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to scheduling a "Work Session" to review and discuss the proposed 2020-2021 fiscal year budget. Devitt made the motion to schedule Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00 PM. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 8:04 PM Devitt made the motion for the Council to recess into an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations concerning employees and representatives of employees groups, pursuant to Title 25 O.S. Section 307.B.2. (Fraternal Order of Police - Grand Lake Lodge No. 171) to include participation from Bill Keefer and Debbie Bottoroff, and

to discuss the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of any individual salaried public officer or employee, pursuant to Title 25 O.S. Section 307.B.1; City Manager's Annual Evaluation to include participation from Bill Keefer. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

At 8:59 PM Devitt made the motion for the Council to come out of Executive Session with no action taken. Seconded by McElhaney. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull announced that with respect to the above-mentioned agenda item E-1. No action taken.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to the above-mentioned agenda item E.2. Devitt made the motion to approve the City Manager's Employment contract with Bill Keefer to include the following amendments:

- ✓ A one (1) year extension in order to maintain a three (3) year contract
- ✓ A pay adjustment as provided for in the 2020-2021 annual budget and as amended equal to the pay adjustment for all other city employees
- ✓ Lump sum pay-out of fifty (50) percent of accumulated sick leave upon retirement, resignation or termination of contract, and one hundred (100) percent all accumulated vacation leave, and
- ✓ Employee upon retirement or resignation in good standing prior to ten (10) years of service with the City shall be able to continue to maintain employee/spouse health coverage at the employee's expense until age 65

Seconded by Dyer. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Ay 9:02 PM Devitt made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Henderson. AYE: McElhaney, Henderson, Dyer, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.