

**GROVE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2022
3:00 PM
MINUTES**

The Grove City Council met in special session on Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 3:00 PM with Mayor, Ed Trumbull presiding. Members present were Steven Thomas, Matt Henderson and Ivan Devitt. Member Marty Dyer was absent. Also present was City Manager, Debbie Bottoroff; City Attorney, Darren Cook; City Treasurer, Lisa Allred; Public Works Director, Deric Douthit and City Clerk, Bonnie Buzzard.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to a Resolution authorizing the Grove Municipal Airport Managing Authority to incur debt for the purpose of entering into an agreement with Garver Engineering for Professional Services regarding the construction of a hangar on the west side of the airport. Chairman - Grove Municipal Airport Managing Authority, Berwin Kock addressed the Council to report that the Airport Authority has been offered a grant from the Oklahoma Aeronautic Commission (OAC) towards the construction cost only of a 100' x 75' hangar along the West side of the new terminal building which would first of all need to be engineered. Kock reported that the Authority took the project initiative and consulted with Garver Engineering professional service about this project and reported the following fee schedule results:

- Project Administration \$18,800.00
- Design Services \$51,200.00
- Bidding Services \$19,600.00
- Total Service Cost: \$89,600.00

Kock then added that the Airport Authority met and discussed the proposed engineering fee schedule for the new hangar and the possibility of incurring a loan for the cost, and after much discussion the Authority voted not to pursue the facility project due to the inability to pay the propose engineering fees, and to deny the grant offer from the OAC. Kock noted that the Authority has no immediate use for the hanger facility, therefore felt like it would be a controversial point for the Authority to incur a debt service at this time. Airport Manager, Lisa Jewett addressed the Council to report that upon informing the OAC of the Authorities decision, it was communicated that if the Airport Authority denies the OAC grant then they would be faced with losing any possible future funding from the OAC for the next five (5) years. So, the Authority decided to take it to the City Council since they ultimately has the final decision on the Authority incurring indebtedness. When asked how much of the current 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan, is actually based upon allocated funding from the OAC, Jewett responded by saying 0%. Kock and Jewett entertained questions, comments and concerns from the Council and Staff. Bottoroff reported that she wasn't in favor of this project, and felt like the OAC was trying to pressure the Airport Authority / City into accepting this grant project with no concern to them of the consequences impact. Attorney Cook concurred with Bottoroff and recommended that the Council deny the debt service. Devitt made the motion to deny the Resolution authorizing the Grove Municipal Airport Managing Authority to incur debt for the purpose of entering into an agreement with Garver Engineering for Professional Services regarding the construction of a hangar on the west side of the airport as presented and discussed. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Henderson, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

At 3:45 PM Devitt made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Henderson. AYE: Thomas, Henderson, Devitt and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.