

**GROVE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2015
6:00 PM**

The Grove City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 6:00 PM with Mayor Marty Follis presiding. Members present were Ed Trumbull, Don Nelsen and Ivan Devitt. Member Marty Dyer was absent. Also present was City Manager, Bill Keefer; Assistant City Manager, Debbie Bottoroff; City Treasurer, Lisa Alred and City Clerk, Bonnie Buzzard. Public Works Director, Jack Bower was absent.

Devitt made the motion to approve the minutes from the August 18, 2015 regular meeting. Seconded by Nelsen. AYE: Nelsen, Devitt and Follis. NAY: None. Trumbull abstained. Motion carried.

Nelsen made the motion to approve the minutes from the August 4, 2015 special meeting. Seconded by Trumbull. AYE: Trumbull, Nelsen, Devitt and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

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

Follis opened the floor for discussion with respect to approval of recommendation from the selection committee of Darren R. Cook, PC for City Attorney. Keefer reported that the selection committee reviewed the proposals and narrowed the field from six to three for further consideration and interviews. The committee is unanimously recommending the selection of Darren Cook as City Attorney. Devitt made the motion to approve the committee recommendation of Darren Cook as City Attorney. Seconded by Trumbull. AYE: Trumbull, Nelsen, Devitt and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Devitt then made the motion to approve a contract for City Attorney services with Darren R. Cook, PC. Seconded by Trumbull. AYE: Trumbull, Nelsen, Devitt and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Follis opened the floor for discussion with respect to approval of a Resolution of the City of Grove, Oklahoma (the "City") approving the incurrence of indebtedness by the Grove Economic Development Authority (the "Authority") issuing its Promissory Note, Series 2015 (the "Note"); providing that the organizational document creating the authority is subject to the provisions of the indenture authorizing the issuance of said note, waiving competitive bidding with respect to the sale of said note and approving the proceedings of the authority pertaining to the sale of said note; approving and authorizing execution of an agreement of support; establishing the city's reasonable expectation with respect to the issuance of tax-exempt obligations by or on behalf of said city in calendar year 2015, and designating the note as a qualified tax-exempt obligation, and containing other provisions relating thereto. Keefer reported that the Resolution is approving the issuance of a promissory note in the amount of \$2,610,000.00 by

the Grove Economic Development Authority to provide the construction financing for the Phase III improvements at the Wolf Creek park facility. In addition to these funds, the City will also provide \$400,000 in Capital Outlay funds and GRDA construction crews will provide in-kind labor and equipment assistance for the project. The note covers both the landside and the lakeside portions of the project. Ben Olesby – Municipal Finance Services, Inc. addressed the Council to report on the estimated issuance components as follows:

- Project funds \$ 2,530,000.00
- Bond Counsel Fee/Expenses \$ 28,600.00
- Local Counsel Fee \$ -0-
- Financial Advisor Fee and Expenses \$ 28,600.00
- Special Tax Counsel \$ 15,000.00
- Bank Counsel Fee \$ 5,000.00
- Trustee Bank Fee \$ 1,500.00
- Rounding \$ 1,300.00

Total Note Amount: \$2,610,000.00

- Total Cost of Issuance \$ 78,700.00
- Cost of % of Note Amount 3.02%

Olesby reported an estimated target payment to be \$310,000 per fiscal year. Bond Counsel, Allan Brooks of the Public Finance Law Group PLLC addressed the Council to present and discuss in detail the Resolution authorizing the incurrence of indebtedness by the Grove Economic Development Authority. Devitt made the motion to approve the Resolution authorizing the incurrence of indebtedness by GEDA in an amount not to exceed \$2,610,000.00 for the construction financing for the Phase III improvements at the Wolf Creek Fishing / Park Facility project. Seconded by Trumbull. AYE: Trumbull, Nelsen, Devitt and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Follis opened the floor for discussion with respect to bids for the Phase III Landside Improvements to the Wolf Creek Fishing / Park Facility. Kefer reported that the bids for this project were opened on Thursday, August 20th, and the Project Engineer(s) is recommending the approval of the bid from Crossland Heavy Contractors in the amount of \$2,229,500.00 which includes add alternate #1 and #2. Both of the alternate bids relate to work that is to be performed by GRDA through in-kind service on the project. Engineer, Tim McCrary addressed the Council to report that all bids were found to be responsive, and that the apparent low bidder on the project is Crossland Heavy Contractors, with a base bid of \$2,070,500. Their bids for add alternate #1 and #2 are \$88,000 and \$71,000. We have determined that their bid is responsive and contains all required documentation. Therefore, it is our recommendation that the contract be awarded to Crossland Heavy Contractors for \$2,229,500 which includes add alternate #1 & #2. McCrary entertained questions, comments and concerns from the Council and Staff. Devitt made the motion to award the contract bid to Crossland Heavy Contractors upon recommendation from Project Engineer, Tim McCrary as presented and discussed. Seconded by Nelsen. AYE: Trumbull, Nelsen, Devitt and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

CITY MANAGER S REPORT:

Kefer reported that last Saturday the Staff discovered that the pool had been totally drained overnight. It was discovered that the back-up drain pumps were accidentally switched on and caused the recirculating pump to burn up. Kefer assured the Council that no wrong doing was suspected. Kefer mentioned that the pool will be closed for the remaining of the season which only consist of approximately 5 days.

Kefer reported that the crew was working out at the pit when they encounter rock and broke the hammer equipment. Kefer noted that the estimated cost to replace that would be around \$2,000 with 1-2 weeks for delivery.

Kefer also reported that the Grand Lake Association has requested assistance from the City in the amount of \$1,500 for the money to relocate the fishing tournament scheduled in October that was originally scheduled out at Wolf Creek Park. Kefer noted that if the Council had no problem he would go ahead and authorize the assistance.

WARD REPORTS:

Devitt made notice to some new attendees to the City Council meeting and expressed his thanks to them for coming.

At 6:46 PM Devitt made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Nelsen. AYE: Trumbull, Nelsen, Devitt and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.