**GROVE CITY COUNCIL**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2012**

**6:00 PM**

The Grove City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, September 18, 2012 at 6:00 PM with Vice-Mayor Ed Trumbull presiding. Members present were Ileta Bray and Marty Dyer. Members Berwin Kock and Marty Follis were absent. Also present was City Manager, Bruce Johnson; Attorney, Brandon Watkins; Assistant City Manager, Debbie Bottoroff; City Treasurer, Lisa Allred; Public Works Director, Jack Bower and City Clerk, Bonnie Buzzard.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**:

Pastor Tony Wisdom of the First Assembly of God addressed the Council to speak on behalf of the Christian Community here in Grove that represent more than twenty Churches that had recently participated in the national back to Church Sunday campaign that is designed to encourage people to attend the church of their choice on each Sunday during the month of September for the past three years. Wisdom’s noted that last year the City of Grove respectfully allowed this event to place the ‘REDISCOVER CHURCH’ signs out around Grove and the surrounding areas. This year the event added an additional sign ‘REDISCOVER JESUS’ and it too was distributed around Grove and the residential areas. Wisdom noted that it was that sign that caused controversy with the City; therefore they were removed by City Staff. It was at that time the City immediately starting receiving calls from concerned citizens asking why the signs were being removed. Wisdom added that is when he became aware of the of situation, and wanted to address the City Council and Staff to first respectfully apologize for all of the Churches for unintentionally violating the Sign Ordinances of the City for they were not aware of the sign Ordinance and the number of signs that were allowed. Wisdom added that he would like to personally express his apology to City Manager, Bruce Johnson for the back lashing he received from the calls. Wisdom respectfully requested that that the City considers revision to Ordinance #628 – Section 3 – Residential Areas in order to eliminate this problem in future. The Council also entertained questions, comments and concerns in regards to this matter from Mr. Robert Plunk of 2105 Cedar Lane.

Dyer made the motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Seconded by Bray. AYE: Bray, Dyer and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

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

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to going out to bid for Wolf Creek Park (16th Street Boat Ramp) Expansion Site Improvements for the City of Grove, Oklahoma. Johnson reported that this is Phase I of III for this project, and it consist of:

* + - 1. Expansion of existing parking lot including grading, base, curb & gutter, asphalt paving and striping
      2. Construction of a new parking lot and 2 streets including grading, base, curb & gutter, asphalt paving & striping.
      3. Installation of parking lot lighting
      4. Installation of 6” waterline, and all appurtenances related thereto
      5. Installation of duplex grinder station
      6. Installation of RV dump stations w/ gravity service lines to grinder station

Johnson added that the bids are to be opened around October 21st with the estimated completion date of February 2013. The Council and Staff entertained questions, comments and concerns from the following individuals:

* Candi Woodruff
* Bill Miller

Dyer made the motion to authorize the Staff to advertise for bids for the Wolf Creek Park (16th Street Boat Ramp) Expansion Site Improvements as presented and discussed. Seconded by Bray. AYE: Bray, Dyer and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Bray made the motion to approve a Resolution adopting Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Employment Reasonable Accommodations Policy. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Bray, Dyer and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Bray made the motion to approve a Resolution adopting Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Grievance Procedures Policy. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Bray, Dyer and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Dyer made the motion to approve a Resolution amending Section 2-7-2 Leave Sharing Program definitions; adding Section 2-17.1 Workers’ Compensation Benefits Paid To Employees, and amending Section 10 Policies to the City of Grove Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual. Seconded by Bray. AYE: Bray, Dyer and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Dyer made the motion to approve a Resolution supporting the continuation of the Wall of Honor Program and adopting a policy to establish criteria and process of recognizing individuals for placement on the Wall of Honor. Seconded by Bray. AYE: Bray, Dyer and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for discussion with respect to proposal for design of Grove Airport terminal building roads and utilities with Rose and McCrary, P.C. Johnson reported that GMSA met earlier this afternoon and approved the same contract with Rose & McCrary. Johnson indicated that he opted not to have this contract split 50/50 between GMSA & City due to the fact that Rose & McCrary will be billing each entity on an hourly rate; therefore one contract is being presented for the amount of $75,000, and would be charged accordingly upon receipt of invoice. Bray made the motion to approve the proposal from Rose and McCrary, P.C. for the design of the Grove Airport terminal building roads and utilities. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Bray, Dyer and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.

**WARD REPORTS**:

Trumbull asked if the burn ban has been lifted city and county wide. Johnson indicated that he believed that it had. News Reporter Jessica Graham indicated that she attended the Delaware County Commissioners meeting earlier and they indicated that they did receive official notification from the Governor’s office but not in time to place it upon their agenda for consideration; therefore the burn ban is still in effect at this time. Trumbull respectfully requested that once the ban is lifted that all property owners use caution and good sense while burning.

Trumbull reported that the resident may still depose of their debris out at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, and suggested that the City possible look at a fall clean-up like they conduct in the spring.

Bray reiterated the comments made from Trumbull in regards to burn ban, and again strongly encouraged all residents to use caution while burning.

Bray and Dyer both expressed thanks to all of the participating audience for their attendance at the meeting.

At 6:48 PM Dyer made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Bray. AYE: Bray, Dyer and Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion carried.