**GROVE CITY COUNCIL**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2012**

**6:00 PM**

The Grove City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, August 21, 2012 at 6:00 PM with Mayor Marty Follis presiding. Members present were Ed Trumbull, Ileta Bray, Marty Dyer and Berwin Kock. Also present was City Manager, Bruce Johnson; City Attorney, Brandon Watkins; Assistant City Manager, Debbie Bottoroff; City Treasurer, Lisa Allred; Public Works Director, Jack Bower and City Clerk, Bonnie Buzzard.

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

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

Kock made the motion to approve the Professional Services Agreement by and between the City of Grove, Oklahoma and Garver, LLC for Design of Taxiway B and West Apron at Grove Municipal Airport. Seconded by Bray. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer, Kock and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Follis opened the floor for discussion with respect to Letter of Intent for development of resort hotel and conference center in the City of Grove, Oklahoma between LodgeWell Group, LLC and the City of Grove, Oklahoma. Johnson reported that the Grove Economic Development Authority met in regular session on Monday, August 20th and entertained discussions in regards to this letter in detail from the Staff, and approved the Letter of Intent upon recommendation to the Council. Johnson indicated that letter does not name a specific property location for this project it only authorizes LodgeWell Group, LLC to represent the City of Grove in the development of a resort hotel, and conference center which is proposed to consist of a resort hotel containing approximately 100-130 rooms with meeting space of 15,000 – 25,000 square feet. The Developer will further investigate the market to determine the size, room count, meeting space and amenities that could be supported under a city owned tax-exempt funding scenario. Johnson added that the Developer will work with architects, contractors, bond counsel, financial advisors, and various city and community leaders in order to define the project preliminary scope, size, costs and potential funding sources. The Council entertained questions, comments and concerns from the Staff and following individuals:

* Beverly Helms – 716 Lakewood Dr. - Grove, OK
* Robert Swan – 904 Inwood Drive – Grove, OK

Kock made the motion to approve the Letter of Intent for development of resort hotel and conference center in the corporate limits between LodgeWell Group, LLC and the City of Grove. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer, Kock and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Bray made the motion to approve the submittal of grant application for federal assistance to the Federal Emergency Management Association to provide assistance to homeowners of the corporate limits of Grove for construction/installation of individual safe rooms/storm shelters and to authorize the Mayor to execute all documents related thereto. Seconded by Trumbull. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer, Kock and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull made the motion to approve a Resolution amending Section V – Definitions; Section VIII – Testing and Section XI – Confidentially of the City of Grove Employee Substance Abuse Policy. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer, Kock and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Bray made the motion to approve a Resolution amending the City of Grove Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual more particularly Section 3-4 Work Hours, Overtime and Compensatory Time, and Section 4-9 City Vehicle and Communication Equipment. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer, Kock and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

At 6:38 PM Councilman Kock asked to be excused from the meeting.

Follis opened the floor for discussion with respect to an Ordinance repealing and replacing Part 3, Chapter 1, Section 3-105 – Retail Package Stores location, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grove, Oklahoma and Declaring An Emergency. Bottoroff reported that this Ordinance along with the next two Ordinance(s) addresses the recent State Bills passed by the Oklahoma Legislature pertaining to Retail Package Stores location, and Regulations Applicable to Alcoholic / Intoxicating Beverages. Follis made the motion to approve an Ordinance repealing and replacing Part 3, Chapter 1, Section 3-105 – Retail Package Stores location. Seconded by Trumbull. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Follis made the motion to approve the Emergency Clause to the above-mentioned Ordinance. Seconded by Trumbull. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull made the motion to approve an Ordinance amending Part 3, Chapter 1, Section 3-109 – Regulations Applicable to Alcoholic Beverages of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grove, Oklahoma by adding Section 3-109-B. Seconded by Follis. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull made the motion to approve the Emergency Clause to the above-mentioned Ordinance. Seconded by Bray. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull made the motion to approve an Ordinance amending Part 3, Chapter 2, Section 3-204 Non-Intoxicating Beverages Compliance with Law; Expiration of License, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grove, Oklahoma by adding Section 3-204-A. Seconded by Bray. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Trumbull made the motion to approve the Emergency Clause to the above mentioned Ordinance. Seconded by Follis. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Bray made the motion to approve the purchase of a 2013 Chevrolet Tahoe from the Oklahoma State Contract SW035 for the Grove Fire Department. Seconded by Follis. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

**CITY MANAGERS REPORT**:

Johnson reported that the City has officially received signed documentation from the State of Oklahoma Transportation Department for a grant in the amount of $960,000.00 for the Wolf Creek Lake Access Road Program. Johnson expressed thanks to the following individuals for their efforts they expressed on behalf of the City of Grove in making this project a reality:

* State Senator Charles Wyrick
* State Representative Doug Cox
* Grand Lake Association Executive Director Tad Jones
* Chuck Perry for his work with the Department of Tourism, and
* Tulsa Sports Commission

Johnson added that the City of Grove is very appreciative of ODOT Commissioner Ridley for his efforts towards this project, and the City of Grove.

Johnson also reported that within the last week he has experienced an economic development growth from the following businesses that is already in existence in Grove or has expressed an interest in relocating to Grove:

* One (1) retail operator that is wanting to expand
* Three (3) other commercial businesses that are wanting to expand, and
* Two (2) other businesses wanting to relocate to Grove

Johnson added that he has been contacted by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce regarding possible other businesses expressing an interest in relocating to Grove.

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