**GROVE CITY COUNCIL**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2012**

**6:00 PM**

The Grove City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, June 5, 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; Attorney, Brandon Watkins; Assistant City Manager, Debbie Bottoroff; City Treasurer, Lisa Allred and City Clerk, Bonnie Buzzard. Public Works Director, Jack Bower was absent.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**:

Grove Public School Superintendent, Sandy Harper addressed the Council for presentation of Certificate of Appreciation to Sergeant Jerry Bohannan of the Grove Police Department for his dedicated work to the Grove Public School for traffic control along Center Street during school hours.

Follis opened the floor for Public Hearing with respect to City of Grove and Authorities to which the City of Grove is beneficiary Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Budget. Johnson reported that this was placed upon the agenda to allow any &/or all residents the opportunity to address the City Council with their input to the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 budget. No request, comments or concern were heard.

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

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

Kock made the motion to approve a Resolution authorizing Amendment of the Economic Development Agreement by and among Harbor Point Associates, LLC, Grove Economic Development Authority, and the City of Grove, Oklahoma; and containing other provisions relating thereto. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer, Kock and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Follis opened the floor for discussion with respect to a Resolution supporting new construction of an affordable multi-housing development for seniors (62 years of age and older). Michael T. Williams of Gateway-Alura Development, LLC addressed the Council to report that Gateway-Alura Development will submit an application to the Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency (OHFA) to obtain tax credits on the new construction of a proposed development, the name of which will be Lake Village Seniors. Said development will be for the elderly and people with special needs, and is proposed to be located just north of the intersection of Center Court and Ridgerunner Court, on an undeveloped street to be called Center Court Circle. The project will consist of a total of 36 units in the development (26 duplex units, 10 homes) of which 100% will be rent and income restricted units. Williams entertained questions, comments and concerns from the Council, Staff, and participating audience member Judith Read. Kock made the motion to approve a Resolution supporting a new construction of an affordable multi-housing development for seniors (62 years of age and older) as presented and discussed. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer, Kock and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Bray made the motion to approve the 2012-2013 Workers Compensation Plan Renewal with the Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group, and to authorize the interest credit in the amount of $1,531.79 to be applied to reduce the premium amount. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer, Kock and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Dyer made the motion to approve the denial of Claim #31920-ME by Claimant Norma Jean Bradley upon recommendation from the Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group. Seconded by Trumbull. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer, Kock and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.

**WARD REPORTS**:

Trumbull commented on the recent article on the front page of the Tulsa World pertaining to the City of Grove ‘16th Street Boat Ramp’ facility.

Trumbull also commented on the swimming pool attendance in accordance to the Grove Pool Revenue report.

Trumbull added that has heard reports of people driving to Joplin Missouri to shop just to save money on sales tax. Trumbull noted that he has done a comparison on tax cost utilizing Joplin tax rate of 7.82% vs. City of Grove rate, and it would only be a savings 1% not enough to cover your gas cost going up to Joplin. Trumbull mentioned that the only way it would even out is if an individual was going to spend a large amount.

Follis asked if there was any new interest in tenants for the old Harps facility. Johnson announced that there are not any at this time.

Follis reported that the first City Council meeting in July will be on the 3rd. Follis asked if the Council will be meeting on that date since the City of Grove & Duck Creek has their fireworks display scheduled for that evening. Johnson reported that he would bring the City Council options at the next meeting for possible changes in regards to the meeting date and/or time.

Bray suggested that it should be the intent for all of the City Council members to be in attendance at the grand opening of the Harps new facility.

At 6:47 PM Kock made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Bray. AYE: Trumbull, Bray, Dyer, Kock and Follis. NAY: None. Motion carried.