



Grinnell City Council Regular Session Meeting
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2006 AT 7:00 P.M.
AT CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

The Grinnell City Council met in regular session Monday, November 6, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the council chambers. Mayor Canfield presided with the following council members present: White, McNaul, Wilson, Wright, Worley and Witt.

McNaul made the motion, second by Witt to approve the agenda and consent agenda as follows:

- 1) Consent Agenda:
 - A. Previous minutes as drafted from the Monday, October 16, 2006 Regular Session.
 - B. Previous minutes as drafted from the Thursday, October 26, 2006 Special Session.
 - C. Approval of Liquor License Class BC Renewal – Kum and Go #222 (expires December 21, 2006).

AYES: All. Motion carried.

White made the motion, second by Witt to approve the City Claim No. _____ through and including No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____. AYES: All. Motion carried.

The council acknowledged receipt of the following communications and meeting minutes:

- A. Finance Committee: October 16, 2006.
- B. Planning Committee: October 16, 2006.
- C. Public Works and Grounds Committee: October 16, 2006.
- D. Public Safety Committee: October 17, 2006.
- E. Grinnell Tourism Group Minutes: October 18, 2006
- F. Grinnell Tourism Financial Report: September 2006.
- G. Human Rights Commission Minutes: October 16, 2006.
- H. Library Board Minutes: October 26, 2006.
- I. Mediacom Retransmission Agreement Negotiations update.
- J. E-Waste Taskforce Update of Collections.
- K. Poweshiek County Auditor reminder on parking for November 6, 2006.

No official action was necessary.

The council committee chairs respectfully submitted reports from their meetings held earlier in the day.

White made the motion, second by Witt to authorize and direct City Manager Russ Behrens and Librarian Lorna Caulkins to prepare a Vision Iowa/Community Attraction Tourism grant application for the new library. AYES: All. Motion carried.

Witt made the motion, second by McNaul to approve Poweshiek Water Association request to provide water service to Robert Renaud at 3639 20th Street. AYES: All. Motion carried. Russ Behrens provided the council an update of PPME contract negotiations. No official action was taken.

Council member White notified the group of a funding request received from “The Galaxy” for 2007 – 2008 Budget year. The finance committee will take the request into consideration with next year’s budget planning process.

The finance committee denied a request for assistance from the Campbell Fund from the Grinnell-Newburg Dollars *for* Scholars program because it did not meet the guidelines. The finance committee had reviewed and approved the other Campbell Fund requests as presented.

The finance committee discussed the difference between a Construction Manager and a General Contractor. The Public Safety Committee had Septagon provide a definition of what would be provided from a Construction Manager. No official action was taken.

The council discussed the fringe area agreement and reviewed a letter to an owner located within the same. This property owner is building near the wastewater facility and the letter addresses the same. The council had no problem with the letter and directed the City Manager to send the same.

Discussion was held with Grinnell College on the 8t Avenue analysis report. No official action was taken.

The council discussed a request for a variance to the sign ordinance. It was determined that the ordinance pertains only to exposed neon and not a neon powered light. The sign itself would fall within our ordinance as is and does not require a variance.

The council acknowledged the Iowa Telecom notification of underground work to be completed within city limits by Iowa Telecom for new Comfort Inn Suites on Hwy 146.

Some discussion was held on the availability of funds for airport improvements. It was mentioned that many improvements have been made and are appreciated. Other projects at the airport will be considered in the near future.

ORDINANCES

Worley made the motion, second by McNaul to approve third reading Ordinance No. 1276: “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF GRINNELL, IOWA, BY ENACTING A NEW DIVISION VI, SECTIONS 39-51, TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO REGULATE OUTDOOR LIGHTING; REPEALING ANY AND ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT TO THE EXTENT OF SUCH CONFLICT; PROVIDING A PENALTY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.” AYES: White, McNaul, Wilson, Wright, Worley and Witt. Motion carried.

Worley made the motion, second by Wright to approve the third reading of Ordinance No. 1280 - “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NOS. 1057 AND 1247, PROVIDING THAT GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES LEVIED AND COLLECTED EACH YEAR ON ALL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE AMENDED GRINNELL URBAN RENEWAL AREA OF

THE CITY OF GRINNELL, COUNTY OF POWESHIEK, STATE OF IOWA, BY AND FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE STATE OF IOWA, CITY OF GRINNELL, COUNTY OF POWESHIEK, GRINNELL-NEWBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND OTHER TAXING DISTRICTS, BE PAID TO A SPECIAL FUND FOR PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON LOANS, MONIES ADVANCED TO AND INDEBTEDNESS, INCLUDING BONDS ISSUED OR TO BE ISSUED, INCURRED BY SAID CITY IN CONNECTION WITH THE AMENDED GRINNELL URBAN RENEWAL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT.” AYES: White, McNaul, Wilson, Wright, Worley and Witt. Motion carried.

Worley made the motion, second by McNaul to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 1281 - “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 774 BY CHANGING CERTAIN DISTRICTS SHOWN ON THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP” (*LOWRY CONSTRUCTION & RENTAL LLC*). AYES: White, McNaul, Wilson, Wright, Worley and Witt. Motion carried.

Worley made the motion, second by Wright to waive the third reading of Ordinance No. 1281 - “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 774 BY CHANGING CERTAIN DISTRICTS SHOWN ON THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP” (*LOWRY CONSTRUCTION & RENTAL LLC*). AYES: White, McNaul, Wilson, Wright, Worley and Witt. Motion carried.

White made the motion, second by Worley to approve the third reading of Ordinance No. 1279 – “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES ADDING THREE WAY STOP INTERSECTION AT HAMILTON AVENUE AND EAST STREET.” AYES: White, McNaul, Wilson, Wright, Worley and Witt. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

White made the motion, second by McNaul to approve Resolution No. 3039 – “RESOLUTION APPROVING CITY MANAGER’S EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT.” AYES: All. Motion carried. (*Contract Start date is July 1, 2007 and is for five years*).

White made the motion, second by Worley to approve Resolution No. 3040 - “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF A BUSINESS GRANT FOR DRAGONSHIRE STAINED GLASS STUDIO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500.00 FOR BENEFITS TO THE PUBLIC DUE TO THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE RETAIL ENVIRONMENT IN DOWNTOWN GRINNELL.” AYES: All. Motion carried.

Witt made the motion, second by Wright to approve Resolution No. 3041 – “RESOLUTION APPROVING BID TO PURCHASE COMMERCIAL SOLID WASTE TRUCK. AYES: All. Motion carried.

Witt made the motion, second by Wright to approve Resolution No. 3042 - “A RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 4-612 WITH MANATT’S INC. OF BROOKLYN, IOWA FOR AN INCREASE TO THE CONTRACT COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,165.58 FOR THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT PROJECT.”

Witt made the motion, second by McNaul to approve Resolution No. 3043 - “A RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 6-614 WITH MANATT’S INC. OF BROOKLYN, IOWA FOR AN INCREASE TO THE CONTRACT COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,050.09 FOR THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT PROJECT.”

Witt made the motion, second by Worley to approve Resolution No. 3044 - "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF CONTRACTOR'S PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 17 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,215.67 TO MANATTS INC. OF BROOKLYN, IOWA FOR WORK COMPLETED ON THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT CONSTRUCTION PHASE 1." AYES: All. Motion carried.

Witt made the motion, second by McNaul to approve Resolution No. 3045 - "RESOLUTION FOR ACCEPTING WORK" (AWOS INSTALLATION). AYES: All. Motion carried.

Witt made the motion, second by White to approve Resolution No. 3046 - "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF CONTRACTOR'S PAY REQUEST NO. 4 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,170.29 TO DICKINSON COMPANY, INC. OF OSKALOOSA, IOWA FOR WORK COMPLETED ON THE AWOS INSTALLATION." AYES: All. Motion carried.

Witt made the motion, second by Worley to approve Resolution No. 3047 - Resolution No. 3047 - "RESOLUTION TO APPROVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER FOR THE 2006 STREET CONSTRUCTION PROJECT." CONSIDER." AYES: All. Motion carried.

Witt made the motion, second by McNaul to approve Resolution No. 3048 - "RESOLUTION FOR ACCEPTING WORK" (Manatt's Inc. of Brooklyn, Iowa - 2006 Street Repairs Project). AYES: All. Motion carried.

Witt made the motion, second by White to approve Resolution No. 3049 - "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF CONTRACTOR'S PAY REQUEST NO. 1 (FINAL) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$218,321.74 TO MANATT'S INC., BROOKLYN, IOWA FOR WORK COMPLETED ON THE 2006 STREET REPAIRS PROJECT." AYES: All. Motion carried.

Witt made the motion, second by McNaul to approve Resolution No. 3050 - "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF CONTRACTOR'S PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 2 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,096.53 TO BDL ENTERPRISES, MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA ON WORK COMPLETED FOR SOUTH BROAD STREET SANITARY SEWER PROJECT." AYES: All. Motion carried.

Worley made the motion, second by McNaul to approve Resolution No. 3051 - "RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CITY OF GRINNELL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT OWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING REHABILITATION CONTRACT FOR 330 MAIN STREET." AYES: All. Motion carried.

White made the motion, second by Worley to approve Resolution No. 3052 - "RESOLUTION TO APPROVE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AS SUBMITTED FOR PROPERTY AND REQUEST TAX EXEMPTION FOR THIS IMPROVEMENT ACCORDING TO CHAPTER 404 OF THE STATE CODE "(316 Brandon Street). AYES: All. Motion carried.

McNaul made the motion, second by White to approve Resolution No. 3053 - "RESOLUTION TO APPROVE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AS SUBMITTED FOR PROPERTY AND REQUEST TAX EXEMPTION FOR THIS IMPROVEMENT ACCORDING TO CHAPTER 404 OF THE STATE CODE "(316 Bailey Street). AYES: All. Motion carried.

The City Manager gave a brief report on the current projects. He also thanked the Great Places committee for all of their work. He noted that they are already working on next year's application and he strongly believes they'll be successful in their next venture. He mentioned

how much Imagine Grinnell has done to benefit the city and commended them on doing a great job. Both groups are tremendous assets to our community.

White made the motion, second by Worley to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m. AYES: All. Motion carried.

Gordon Canfield, Mayor

Attest:

P. Kay Cmelik, City Clerk