



GRINNELL CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2007 AT 7:00 P.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

The Grinnell City Council met in regular session Monday, September 17, 2007 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. in the council chambers. Mayor Canfield presided with the following council members in attendance: Witt, Worley, Wright, Wilson, McNaul and White. Also present were the following people: Randy Hanssen, Carol Hanssen, Lucille Ahrens, Don Schild, Martha Pinder, Chris Johnson, Russ Behrens and Kay Cmelik.

AGENDA

White made the motion, second by Worley to approve the agenda and consent agenda as follows:

- Previous minutes as drafted from the Tuesday, September 4, 2007 Regular Session.
- Approval of the Off-Premise Application for Beer for Casey's General Store #1134, 1718 6th Avenue.
- Approval of St. Francis Manor's request to park on Penrose Street between 3rd Avenue and 4th Avenue on Sunday, September 30, 2007 for a Seeland Park Open House.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- In regard to the 2008 Fiscal Year Budget Amendment.

The Mayor declared it the time and place for the public hearing on the 2008 Budget Amendment. He asked if there were any verbal or written comments for or against said amendment. There were none.

White made the motion, second by Witt to close the public hearing at 7:03 p.m. AYES: All. Motion carried.

White made the motion, second by McNaul to approve **Resolution No. 3202 - "A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE AMENDMENT TO BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2008."** AYES: All. Motion carried.

- In regard to the 2007 City Code.

The Mayor declared it the time and place for the public hearing on the 2007 proposed "CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRINNELL, IOWA, 2007". He asked if there were any verbal or written comments on the proposed city code. There were none.

McNaul made the motion, second by Worley to close the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. AYES: All. Motion carried.

White made the motion, second by Worley to approve **Resolution No. 3203 - “RESOLUTION AMENDING THE PROPOSED “CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRINNELL, IOWA, 2007.”** AYES: All. Motion carried.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

The Council acknowledged receipt of the monthly communications and meeting minutes. No official action necessary.

The council recognized Sgt. Randy Hanssen’s retirement from the Grinnell Police Department after 28 years of service.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

White made the motion, second by Witt to approve **Resolution No. 3204 - “A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE AMENDMENT TO BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2008.”** AYES: All. Motion carried.

White made the motion, second by McNaul to approve **Resolution No. 3205 – “RESOLUTION FIXING DATE FOR A MEETING ON THE PROPOSITION TO AUTHORIZE A LOAN AND DISBURSEMENT AGREEMENT AND THE ISSUANCE OF NOTES TO EVIDENCE THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY THEREUNDER.”** AYES: All. Motion carried.

White made the motion, second by Witt to approve **Resolution No. 3206 – “A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES.”** AYES: All. Motion carried.

White made the motion, second by Witt to direct the clerk to publish notice of a public hearing for housing rehabilitation grant application. AYES: All. Motion carried.

The Campbell Fund requests were approved as presented.

PLANNING COMMITTEE

It was noted that the City Manager has met with the County Board of Supervisors in regard to the zoning protection for the WWTP and brush/compost site. An ordinance has been drafted and presented to the County Auditor and it will be presented to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

An update of numerous land use planning projects south of Grinnell was provided which included GMRC, Big River Resources, Sapphire Lake Project and Lang Creek Crossing.

PUBLIC WORKS AND GROUNDS

Witt made the motion, second by Wright to approve **Resolution No. 3207 - “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF CONTRACTOR’S PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 10 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$223,300.54 TO JASPER CONSTRUCTION OF NEWTON, IOWA FOR WORK COMPLETED ON THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT IMPROVEMENTS PHASE 2.”** AYES: All. Motion carried.

It was noted that T&K Concrete is requesting that we pay at least 50 percent of the cost to grind the bumps out of 1st Avenue. The City was less than pleased with the results of the street improvement and had requested that T&K grind the South portion of 1st Avenue. Staff was directed to notify T&K Concrete that the city will not participate in the grinding expense.

Witt made the motion, second by McNaul to approve Iowa Telecom IDOT permit application for Use of Highway Right of Way for Utilities Accommodation (Iowa Valley Community College District). AYES: All. Motion carried.

General updates and discussions were held on the Iowa Environmental Council litigation; the first draft of a site plan for 8th Avenue; proposed IDOT Highway 6 and Highway 146 improvements. No official action was taken.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

The Ambulance Agreement has been completed. It will be sent to the County Supervisors for review. Once this has been done the city will formalize the final agreement by resolution.

A brief update was provided on the Public Safety Building Project.

RESOLUTIONS

White made the motion, second by McNaul to approve **Resolution No. 3208 - "A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AS SUBMITTED FOR PROPERTY AND REQUEST TAX EXEMPTION FOR THIS IMPROVEMENT ACCORDING TO CHAPTER 404 OF THE STATE CODE (615 Horseshoe Drive)."** AYES: All. Motion carried.

McNaul made the motion, second by White to approve **Resolution No. 3209 - "A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AS SUBMITTED FOR PROPERTY AND REQUEST TAX EXEMPTION FOR THIS IMPROVEMENT ACCORDING TO CHAPTER 404 OF THE STATE CODE (308 Brandon Street So.)."** AYES: All. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

McNaul made the motion, second by Worley to approve the first reading of **Ordinance No. 1294 - "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRINNELL, IOWA, 2007, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO STOP REQUIRED."** AYES: All. Motion carried.

White made the motion, second by Witt to approve the first reading of **Ordinance No. 1295 - "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE "CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRINNELL, IOWA, 2007."** AYES: All. Motion carried.

White made the motion, second by Worley to approve the second reading of **Ordinance No. 1293 - "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE VACATION AND SALE OF AN ALLEY IN THE CITY OF GRINNELL, IOWA."** AYES: All. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Witt made the motion, second by Worley to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. AYES: All.
Motion carried.

GORDON R. CANFIELD, MAYOR

ATTEST:

P. KAY CMELIK, CITY CLERK