Grayson City Council

Regular Meeting September 9th, 2014 5:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Mayor Steele called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Duane Suttles, Jack Harper, Terry Stamper, Pam Nash, Pearl Crum, Juanita Kennedy

Devotion

Jack Harper gave the devotion after the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Visitors

Speed Bump Installation Request

Bruce and Janie Stevens of Plantation Drive ask the city council to install speed bumps on the road due to small children playing and the heavy traffic area. He submitted a petition with all the residents in the designated area.

Motion: To install 2 speed bumps on Plantation Drive, on the city side,

Action: Approve, Moved by Pam Nash, Seconded by Terry Stamper.

Motion passed unanimously.

Bill Bush of the East Side Church of Christ

Mr. Bush asked the Council to change 5th Street to a two-way street due to traffic and safety issues and to include a stop sign at the intersection of 5th Street and Robert and Mary.

Motion: To change 4th and 5th Streets to two way traffic,

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Terry Stamper, **Seconded by** Pam Nash.

Councilperson Nash stated the reason the street was changed to one-way was due to the traffic at Ralph's, but since Ralph's is moving soon, she didn't see an issue. Councilman Suttles stated he felt it was premature at this time to make the change due to Ralphs Food Fair still operating at the current location.

Mr. Bush expressed his concern with the current situation of the one-way streets. Mr. Bush agreed with the Mayor that the State is interested in the change to two way.

Councilman Suttles would like to have a state engineer report to the city their findings of the situation. Councilman Suttles agreed with Mr. Bush to repair the alley so that it would make it passable.

Attorney Glass advised this issue must be done by ordinance

Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes = 5, No = 1, Abstain = 0).

Yes: Jack Harper, Juanita Kennedy, Pam Nash, Pearl Crum, Terry Stamper.

No: Duane Suttles.

Donation of Alley

Mr. Bush asked the Council to consider giving the church the alley due to the heavy traffic and to fill the hole. After a lengthy discussion he and council agreed to install speed bumps.

Motion: To install speed bumps in the alley,

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Juanita Kennedy, **Seconded by** Terry Stamper.

Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes = 5, No = 1, Abstain = 0).

Yes: Jack Harper, Juanita Kennedy, Pam Nash, Pearl Crum, Terry Stamper.

No: Duane Suttles.

Opening bids on surplus mowers

The City of Grayson received 5 sealed envelopes containing bids for the lawn mowers declared surplus earlier last month.

Name	Cub Cadet	Gravely
Mike Wellman	\$327.00	\$226.00
Jeff Flaugher	\$501.00	
Derek Burton	\$1,065.00	
Bub Shaffer	\$1,051.00	
Kathy Allen		\$150.00

Mike Wellman was awarded the bid of the Gravely lawnmower and Derek Burton the Cub Cadet zero turn.

Mayor Steele called for a recess.

Mayor Steele called the meeting back in order.

Department Reports

Code Enforcement

John Lands informed Council he had sent a certified letter to the Administrator of the Reeves Estate on August 28th and received the confirmation back. The Administrator has never responded to the letter. Attorney Glass stated the city has complied with the law to the condemnation of the property. This is due to the house being in deplorable conditions and safety to the public. John Lands confirmed he had 2 different bids for demolition of the property. He stated the City has been mowing the yard and could put a lien on the property.

Pam Nash asked about a condemnation order on a house that has installed new windows in early spring. Mr. Lands explained to the council on the issue of condemning a house. He explained by the authority of the Kentucky Housing Authority, he as a building inspector has the authority to condemn a house due to unsafe condition.

Councilperson Crum wanted to offer \$40,000 for the property

Councilperson Nash asked to table the issue.

Emergency Management

Mr. Dunfee provided a monthly activity report to the Council that was provided in the meeting booklet. He announced the First Church has provided storage space for the cots and blankets at no cost to his department.

Fire

Chief Felty presented the Council with the monthly run report for the month of August. His report showed the department responded to 41 calls, with 20 inside the city limits. Various council members related how people in the community were so thankful for their assistance in different events.

Dive Team Debt Forgiveness

Chief Felty presented the Council with a check for \$8,000.00 from the dive team to go toward the loan approved by the Council last year. The dive team had been hauling scrap metal and fund raisers to assist in the repayment process.

Motion: To forgive the balance of the dive team loan repayment,

Action: Approve, Moved by Pam Nash, Seconded by Juanita Kennedy.

Motion passed unanimously.

Police

Chief McDavid presented his report to Council. His department reported 6 DUI arrests, 407 citations issued and 55 criminal arrests on the monthly report.

Street

Mayor Steele asked the Council to consider hiring more employees due to the expansion of work for this department before next spring.

Parks and Recreation

Mayor Steele announced the new picnic shelter was at a standstill until the State issues a permit to continue construction.

He did announce the road into the new 30 plus acres park had been agreed on with the Judge Executive. The new road will go behind the Ambulance Barracks.

Approval of July and August minutes

Motion: To approve the minutes for July and August as presented, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Duane Suttles, **Seconded by** Pam Nash.

Motion passed unanimously.

2015 Motor Vehicle/Watercraft property tax rate

Motion: to keep the 2014 tax rate of 17.68 per \$100 assessment

Action: Approve, Moved by Duane Suttles, Seconded by Terry Stamper.

Motion passed unanimously.

1st reading of the Final 2013/2014 Budget

Motion: To approve the 1st reading of the 2013-2014 final budget, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Duane Suttles, **Seconded by** Pam Nash.

Motion passed unanimously.

Alcohol Discussion

Ordinance payment of regulatory fees would change from a quarterly reporting to monthly reporting.

Ordinance

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE II, SECTION 2.25 OF THE ORDINANCE NO. 03-2013, TITLE D "ALCHOHOL BEVERAGE CONTROL ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRAYSON, KENTUCKY" RELATING TO THE PAYMENT OF REGULATORY FEES

Reid Glass gave the 2nd reading of the ordinance amendment.

Motion: To approve the 2nd reading of amending section 2.25 of Ordinance 03-2013.

Action: Approve, Moved by Duane Suttles, Seconded by Jack Harper.

Motion passed unanimously.

2nd Reading of Alcohol Ordinance Amendment

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING "ARTICLE V. HOURS OF SALE AND DELIVERY OF THE ALCOHOL BEVERAGE CONTROL ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRAYSON, KENTUCKY" ORDINANCE NO. 03-2013, BY ADOPTING NEW SUBSECTIONS TO ARTICLE V DESIGNATED AS SECTION 5.4 AND SECTION 5.5

Discussion was held on the package sale on Sundays. Mignon Colley spoke in favor of this action and other were against the package sales on Sunday. Councilman Suttles stated the reason he proposed the issue was because he had been approached by individuals wanting the sale on Sundays. He had spoken to others who are against it. He would not oppose for that section of the amendment to be stricken.

Rex Collins addressed the council on the issue. As a liquor store owner in town, he is against the sale of alcohol on Sunday. He felt that those who buy package alcohol will buy their supplies on Saturdays.

Motion: To strike 5.4 (Sunday Sales) from the amendment,

Action: Approve, Moved by Pam Nash, Seconded by Duane Suttles.

Motion passed unanimously.

Attorney Glass struck 5.4 (Sunday Sales) from the ordinance, making 5.5 the new 5.4. This is the sale of alcohol by the drink on a holiday that would fall on Sunday. He read the amended ordinance to the council. Councilperson Nash and Stamper felt the change was not necessary.

With all the amended and struck sections, this will be considered a 1st reading.

Motion: To accept the 1st reading of the amendment,

Action: Approve, Moved by Terry Stamper, Seconded by Juanita Kennedy.

Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes = 5, No = 1, Abstain = 0).

Yes: Duane Suttles, Jack Harper, Juanita Kennedy, Pearl Crum, Terry Stamper.

No: Pam Nash.

1st Reading of Deputy Alcoholic Beverage Administrator

Reid Glass gave the 1st reading of the Deputy Alcoholic Beverage Administrator.

Motion: To approve the 1st reading of the ordinance,

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Terry Stamper, **Seconded by** Pam Nash. **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 6).

Yard Sale Ordinance

Discussion was held on the on going issue of yard sales. The current ordinance states a person can have 2 yard sales per year for 3 days each. Council discussed the other options to consider.

Fireworks Ordinance

Council discussed this issue and will research the options.

Mayor Report

Mayor Steele instructed the council to email the city clerk with issues they wish to be on monthly agenda by noon Friday before the scheduled meeting.

Councilman Suttles brought it to the Council's attention about the ABC. He announced positive responsible drinking ads have been run in the paper and on the local radio/cable. He has been researching various ways to promote the responsible drinking campaign. He thanked the city clerk and those who helped to start the process.

Rex Collins thanked the City for being so helpful to work with the community on improvements for the area.

Executive Session in accordinance with KRS 61.810

Council did not enter into executive session

Adjourn

Motion: To adjourn,

Action: Adjourn, Moved by Pearl Crum, Seconded by Jack Harper.

Motion passed unanimously.

George Steele, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Stratton, City Clerk