Grayson City Council

Regular Meeting
City Municipal Building
March 11, 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.

Pledge of Allegiance and Devotion

Devotion was led by Jim Phillips after the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Visitors

Utility Supt. Gerald Haney

Rattlesnake Water District Contract

Supt. Haney had met with Rattlesnake Ridge Water District on the issue of an agreeable water purchase rate for each party. The two entities buy water off of each other to service customers in the designated areas. The price agreed upon was \$3.82 per gallon.

Motion: To approve the rate of \$3.82 contract if the Public Service Commission approves the contract.

Action: Approve, Moved by Pam Nash, Seconded by Pearl Crum.

Motion passed unanimously.

Consumer Price Index

Supt. Haney requested the CPI (Consumer Price Index) clause to be reinstated in the ordinance and to continue to be applied each year, never to exceed 3%. After Council discussed the issued, it was agreed for a 5 year clause to be included in the ordinance.

Motion: To accept the proposal for an ordinance on the rate increase with the automatic CPI adjustment to expire on September of 2019,

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

Motion passed unanimously.

Future expansion of Grayson Waterlines

Mr. Haney explained Grayson Utilities plan to expand water service at a cost of around 7 million dollars. The project will take approximately 7 years due to the vast amount of paperwork that must be completed.

Debbie Combs

Grayson Hometown Holidays

Mrs. Combs addressed the council on the future of the Hometown Holidays. She explained the issue of lack of electric (not enough to carry the load) in the park. She presented an estimate of the cost for correct electric service panels. After adjustments the cost is \$5,116.00 and \$1,000.00 for incidentals.

Jeff Messer of Messer's Electric

Mr. Messer explained this project would require a 400 amp service with 2 weather probe 30 circuit disconnects. Also the project would include ten pedestals with underground service from the shelter to the sidewalk in the park.

John Lands suggested installing water proof in-ground level junction boxes so it would not interfere with mowing and be safer for the public. Council agreed.

Mrs. Combs asked the council to pay for the project. She was asked to meet with Tourism and the Chamber of Commerce to see how much they would contribute to the project and come back to the council next month.

It was not discussed who would be responsible for the monthly electric bill.

Approval of the February 11, 2014 minutes

Motion: To approve the February meeting minutes,

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

Motion passed unanimously.

Department Reports

Police

Chief Kevin McDavid presented the Council the monthly activity report for the month of February. Among the activity, the report showed 2 DUI arrests, 14 accidents, 24 criminal arrests and 23 speeding tickets.

USDA Grant

Chief McDavid explained he had been in contact with the USDA grant advisor, Doug Koff. Mr. Koff explained the grant would be 55% of the cost of the vehicles or \$50,000.00, whichever will be less.

Motion: To purchase 3 Ford Interceptors @ state contract price, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Jack Harper, **Seconded by** Pam Nash.

Motion passed unanimously.

Olive Hill Wet/Dry Vote

Mayor Steele announced he received confirmation that Olive Hill had just voted to go wet.

Code Enforcement

John Lands distributed a copy of his monthly activity report. His report reflected the following:

1 request

1 Notice of Complaint

Updates on the condemnation notices issued.

Mr. Lands also stated the Planning & Zoning will be presenting a Cosmetic Ordinance later in the spring.

Emergency Management

Mr. Roger Dunfee announced the siren at KCU has been corrected. Also they have applied for a \$600.00 grant for portable radios for the Command Center.

Fire

Due to the amount of snowfall, the month of February was a busy one for the fire department. On 2/15/14 they had 14 calls due to weather alone.

Vehicle

Chief Felty presented council with a state contract price of a new Ford Expedition at a price of \$29, 303.75, without extras.

Motion: To purchase a 2014 Ford Expedition, borrowing \$34,350 from the bank with the lowest rate.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Pam Nash, **Seconded by** Pearl Crum. **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 5, No = 1, Abstain = 0).

Yes: Duane Suttles, Jack Harper, Juanita Kennedy, Pam Nash, Pearl Crum.

No: Terry Stamper.

Street

Chris Allen presented a request for the following: 07 John Deer Backhoe \$55,000 to \$60,000 located in Michigan 2015 Pickup \$31,000, with snowplow package

Due to the entire equipment request for various departments, the Mayor suggested to include the fire dept. vehicle in with the USDA grant

Rescind Motion on USDA Grant

Motion: To rescend the motion to purchase the 3 police cruisers,

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

Motion passed unanimously.

Rescind Motion

Motion: To rescind the motion to purchase the 2014 Ford Explorer for the fire dept., Action: Approve, Moved by

Terry Stamper, **Seconded by** Jack Harper.

Motion passed unanimously.

USDA Grant Update

Motion: To approve the USDA grant to purchase 2 police cruisers and the Ford Expedition for the fire dept.,

Action: Approve, Moved by Pearl Crum, Seconded by Duane Suttles.

Motion passed unanimously.

Street Dept Purchases

Motion: To authorize the Mayor receive bids from the banks on \$100,000.00 loan from the banks for purchases of

the equipment for the street department,

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

Motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session in accordinance with KRS 61.810

Motion: To enter into executive session,

Action: Enter Closed Session, Moved by Terry Stamper, Seconded by Duane Suttles.

Motion passed unanimously.

Regular Session

Motion: Enter into regular session,

Action: Approve, Moved by Terry Stamper, Seconded by Jack Harper.

Motion passed unanimously.

No action taken in regular session.

Park & Recreation

Motion: To offer the County Fiscal Court \$25,000 for the land behind the jail for the purpose of recreation,

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

Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Update on Somerset Property

No updates

Update on Senior Citizen Building

A deed was forwarded to Robin Webb and are waiting for a response.

Other

McDavid Property Deed

Mr. Glass will get in contact with Mr. McDavid about the completion of the signed over the property.

Library Donation

Motion: To donate \$1,000.00 to the remodeling project of the library,

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Terry Stamper, **Seconded by** Pearl Crum.

Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the 2013 Audit

Motion: To approve the 2012/2013 audit,

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

Motion passed unanimously.

ABC Officer Report

Reid Glass announced the public hearing will be in Frankfort next Tuesday for the 2 businesses that were denied a license thru the city of Grayson. The denial came from incomplete applications. Mr. Glass stated the State does have the power to overturn his decision to deny the applications.

Personnel Policy Update

Personnel Policy will be discussed at the next regular meeting.

New Business

Salary increase for Mayor Position effective 2015

Motion: To amend the ordinance to increase the Mayor's salary to \$1,000.00 per month starting January 2015.

Action: Approve, Moved by Terry Stamper, Seconded by Pearl Crum.

Salary increase for Council

Motion: To amend the motion to increase the council salary by \$100.00 per month,

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

Motion passed unanimously.

To approve the amended motion. Motion passed unanimously

The 1st reading of the amended ordinance will be next month.

2013/2014 Budget Amendment 1st Reading

Motion: To approve the 1st reading of the amended budget,

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

Motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn

Motion: Motion to adjourn,

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

Motion passed unanimously.

George Steele, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Stratton

Cindy Stratton, City Clerk