

CITY OF GRAYLING
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Monday, July 8, 2024

I. Meeting called to order by Mayor Forbes at 6:30 pm

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Pettyjohn, Nelson, Forbes, Sloan, Moshier

Members Absent: None

Vacant Seats: None

Also in Attendance: Erich Podjaske (City Manager), Ben Yoder (Zoning Administrator), Kathleen Armstrong, Kharissa Hearn, Garrett Godsey, Kati Godsey, Michelle Phillips, Laurie Jamison, Brock Baum, Amanda Clough (City Police Chief)

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Armstrong spoke of political matters and The Constitution.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

24-060

Moved by Sloan, seconded by Pettyjohn to approve the agenda with the addition of B (Purchase of Industrial Property) to Unfinished Business.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0

Motion Carried

VI. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A. Meeting Minutes for June 10, 2024

24-061

Moved by Nelson, seconded by Sloan to approve the meeting minutes for June 10, 2024 as presented

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0

Motion Carried

VII. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Podjaske elaborated on his report and also indicated that the active shooter training went smooth. The Farm Market manager is doing great and the Chamber of Commerce is

ready for the River Fest. He accompanied DPW to observe the replacement of a broken water line at the county building.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Exhaust Fan Replacement at WWTF

Podjaske said that he will follow up with ROWE. Sloan agreed to replace motors with more CFM.

B. Purchase of Industrial Property

24-062

Item #17 on the purchase agreement has been updated. Buyer is to pay all closing costs.

Moved by Sloan, seconded by Nelson to approve the Purchase of the Industrial Property with the above conditions.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0

Motion Carried

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Industrial Dr. extension, use of city property

24-063

Podjaske explained the map. City Council members asked questions about the development. Discussion was had with additional questions from Pettyjohn regarding the distance from the bike path. Moshier asked who would maintain/plow the new road with Podjaske explaining that the township would.

Moved by Sloan, seconded by Nelson to approve closing the Industrial Drive extension with use of city property as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0

Motion Carried

B. Appoint Ben Teeter to DDA Board

24-064

Pettyjohn discussed the interviews that were done and why the DDA Board recommended Ben Teeter for appointment.

Moved by Forbes, seconded by Sloan to approve the appointment of Ben Teeter to the DDA Board.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0

Motion Carried

C. Appoint Garret Godsey to Planning Commission

24-065

Moved by Forbes, seconded by Sloan to approve the appointment of Garret Godsey to Planning Commission.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0

Motion Carried

D. Appoint Matt LaFontaine to Planning Commission

24-066

Forbes spoke about the applicants.

Moved by Forbes, seconded by Nelson to approve the appointment of Matt LaFontaine to Planning Commission.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0

Motion Carried

E. Letter of support from Sheriff Swope

24-067

Discussion was had amongst City Council members with a decision made to provide a motion to support the millage renewal for the Sheriff's Department instead of writing a letter of support.

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Sloan to make a motion of support for the millage renewal for the Sheriff's Department.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0

Motion Carried

F. Solid Waste RFP

Podjaske explained the bid letter. Pettyjohn had questions regarding the yard waste and wanted to have more pickup dates provided. Podjaske indicated that he will modify the bid letter to include more dates for yard waste. Sloan asked to also include mattresses and box springs as items that can be picked up.

G. Resolution Establishing Election Workers

24-068

Moved by Pettyjohn, seconded by Nelson to waive the reading of the resolution.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0

Motion Carried

24-069

Moved by Nelson, seconded by Sloan to approve the resolution establishing the election workers as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0

Motion Carried

X. REPORTS

A. Planning Commission

Sloan asked about KRIST's storm water management plan with Podjaske providing explanation.

B. DDA

None

C. Police Department

None

D. Fire Department

None

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XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

- Moshier commented on the fireworks and that they weren't able to be seen over Shoppenagon's.
- Sloan commented on the three new homes that Mr. Singh has had built and how nice they look.
- Forbes commented on the 4th of July parade and the painting of the crosswalks.
- Podjaske thought that the road blocks worked well.
- Pettyjohn indicated that he is disappointed that the trees at the Middle School were cut down for the drop-off area.

XIII. CORRESPONDENCE

None

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

24-070

Moved by Sloan, seconded by Pettyjohn that meeting is adjourned.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0

Motion Carried

Adjourned at 7:19 PM