

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, March 9, 2010

Grimes City Hall 5:30 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Grimes City Council was called to order by Mayor Tom Armstrong on Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at 5:30 P.M. at the Grimes City Hall.

Roll Call: Present: Evans, Shatava, Tapper, Altringer, Absent: Patterson

GENERAL AGENDA ITEMS.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Shatava, Seconded Tapper by; the agenda shall be approved.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Nays: None. Motion passes: 4-0.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes from the February 23, 2010 B. New Alcohol License for AmericanInn Class C Liquor License C. Write Off of EMS Accounts D. Well 100 Submersible Pump Repairs in the amount of \$8,453.50 E. Shallow Well Rehabilitation in the amount of \$8,900 F. Approve Quote for Windows for Grimes Community Center G. Task Order. 45 North James Street Box Culvert Replacement H. Task Order 46 North Sports Complex Phase 1F. Finance Report from February 2010 G. Claims dated March 9, 2010 in the amount of \$334,603.76.

Moved by Evans, Seconded by Shatava; the consent agenda shall be approved.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Nays: None. Motion passes: 4-0.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Fire Chief Krohse advised the Council that the department went on 49 calls the month of February. He reported that he, Public Works Director, Joe McAreavy, and City Administrator Kelley Brown had attended a flood mitigation meeting with Polk County Emergency Management. Chief Krohse stated that the County outlined incident resources that would be available in case of flooding.

PATROL REPORT

Deputy Steve Ballanger representing the Polk County Sheriff's Department was present to answer any questions from the Council. Deputy Ballanger stated that he had met several times with Council Member Shatava regarding the Hwy 44 project and would be involved with the Grimes Public Health and Safety Board. The Sheriff's Department provided the Council with a monthly report.

PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS AND COUNCIL ACTIONS

A. Presentation of Funds from the Grimes Chamber and Economic Development of Member Donations in Support of Capt. Daniel Whitten Memorial Banners.

Brian Buehe representing Grimes Chamber and Economic Development was present. Buehe stated that in his opinion the banners that are displayed in honor of Captain Daniel Whitten who was killed in Afghanistan was a bold and appropriate response by the City. Buehe stated that he Grimes Chamber and Economic Development along with

select members would like to make a donation to the City towards the cost of the banners. Buehe stated that the following select members had donated to the banners: Campbell/Patterson Consulting, Charter Bank, Marie Hutcheson, B2E Direct Marketing, Inc., American Legion Auxiliary #577 and Rivera Team of Re/Max Real Estate Concepts. Buehe presented the check to Mayor Armstrong.

B. Public Hearing and Approval 2009-10 Budget Amendment

Mayor Armstrong opened the Public Hearing at 5:40 p.m. There being no oral or written communication, Mayor Armstrong closed the Public Hearing at 5:40 p.m. City Administrator Brown advised that the amendment was mainly due to the timing of capital improvement projects.

Moved by Shatava, Seconded by Evans; the 2009-10 Budget Amendment shall be approved.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Nays: None. Motion passes: 4-0.

C. Public Hearing and Approval of 2010-11 City Budget

Mayor Armstrong opened the Public Hearing at 5:43 p.m. There being no oral or written communication, Mayor Armstrong closed the Public Hearing at 5:43 p.m.

City Administrator Brown advised that she would be placing articles in the Grimes Living Magazine that would be addressing ongoing budget issues in the City.

Administrator Brown stated that we would continue to provide information on the City through the City website and through the List Serve. She stated that over the next few months the articles in Grimes Living Magazine would be on understanding the City Budget. She would also be providing information on where the City money is being used; fun facts about the City and tax roll back. Administrator Brown stated that she was happy to report that even with the 10 million dollar bond for capital improvements the tax rate did not go up. The tax valuation increased by \$81 million over last year to \$653 million in overall valuation of the City. The City's taxable valuation increased \$38 million to a total of \$405 million for the City. This meant \$159,000 more money into the general fund revenue. Administrator Brown stated that due to the \$10 million dollar bond this would increase the debt service by \$459,000. Administrator Brown stated that due to past conservative practices by the Council they would be able to make things continue to work and keep the tax rate the same. She encouraged people to read the article in the Grimes Living Magazine as it contains information on the rollback and what it means to the City.

Moved by Tapper, Seconded by Evans, that the 2010-11 City Budget shall be approved.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Nays: None. Motion passes: 4-0

D. Second Reading of Ordinance #586 to Amend The Grimes Code Of Ordinances Chapter 108.06 To Provide For The Increase In The Charge For The Collection Of Recyclable Materials From \$2.48 to \$2.58 Effective July 1, 2010

Moved by Shatava, Seconded by Evans; the second reading of Ordinance #586 shall be approved.

Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 4-0

E. Public Hearing for the Caymus Park Preliminary Plan and First Reading of Ordinance #587 an Ordinance Amending The Grimes Official Zoning Map, Pursuant To The Code Of Ordinance Section 165.05 by Changing the Zoning of the Below Described Property Owned by Community Business Lenders, This Ordinance Shall Rezone Approximately 5.8 Acres from R-3 Multiple Family District to R-4 Planned Residential Development District, the property is Generally Located A Part Of Outlot "Y" and a part of Outlot "Z", Jase Landing.

Mayor Armstrong opened the Public Hearing at 5:46 p.m.

Erin Ollendike, of Civil Design Advance of Grimes was present representing Caymus Park Holdings, LLC. Ollendike advised that on behalf of Caymus Park Holdings, LLC they were respectfully requesting that this 22.9 acres that is currently zoned R-3 High Multiple Family District, which does not allow the construction of a single family townhome, for 5.8 acres of this property be rezoned to R-4 Planned Residential Development District to allow for that type of townhome.

There being no oral or written communication, Mayor Armstrong closed the Public Hearing at 5:47 p.m.

City Engineer Gade advised the Planning and Zoning had reviewed this plan and had approved it but did have some concerns with no on-street parking. Gade advised that according to the Code it requires two off street parking spaces. He went on to say that each family unit will have two-stall garage parking and parking in front of the garage which will not go over the sidewalk, so they do meet the Code requirements. Council Member Evans asked to clarify that there would not be any on-street parking and clarified that this was a private streets. Gade stated that these were private 26-foot streets. Gade stated that due to spacing issues with the driveways they were unable to have on-street parking. Gade stated that parking on one side of the street could be looked at as the projects moves forward. Council Member Tapper asked about some additional areas that could possibly have parking. Ollendike showed some potential additional parking areas in this plan. Attorney Henderson asked that since this a private development would fire protection be addressed. City Engineer Gade stated that those particular issues would be addressed at the next Planning and Zoning and Council meetings under the approval of the Preliminary Plat. Council Member Shatava asked for a time line on this project. Ollendike stated that they were ready to begin this spring. Council Member Evans asked Gade what the townhouse occupancy rate was in Grimes. Public Works Director Joe McAreavy stated that the Glenstone townhomes were full. He stated there were two other developments one of which is 30% built out and the other were being built as they are sold.

Moved by Altringer, Seconded by Shatava; the first reading of Ordinance #587 shall be approved.

Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 4-0

C. PUBLIC FORUM

No one requested to address the Council.

COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS.

1. Mayor's Report

Mayor Armstrong congratulated the Dallas Center Grimes Boy's High School Basketball Team for being the first DCG team to make it to state tournament. Mayor Armstrong advised that he, John Gade and City Administrator Brown had met with Polk County and Urbandale regarding NW 50th Street which is referred to as the NW connector. He advised that last year they had entered into an agreement with Snyder and Associates Engineering to do a technical memorandum looking at getting a roadway built to connect to the interstate. He stated this would be connecting at the Ryder Corner, which would be I-35/I80 and HWY 141. Mayor Armstrong advised that a final report would be received tomorrow on whether this road could be built. He stated that there would be an action item at the next Council meeting to do a scoping study on what this roadway would cost the City. He advised that early figures felt the scoping studies would cost around \$30,000 that would be divided between Grimes, Polk County and Urbandale. Mayor Armstrong stated that a \$300,000 appropriation has been received for the N W Transportation Study through the MPO.

2. City Attorney's Report

City Attorney Tom Henderson had nothing new to report.

3. City Engineer's Report

City Engineer Gade reported that the agreement with the railroad and been reached for the Hwy 44 Project. He stated that the next step would be condemnation of some properties along Hwy 44. He reported that the project is on track for the IDOT April 21 bid letting date and would be asking for approval on this contract at the last Council meeting in April. Gade stated that the IDOT had set the time frame for the Hwy 44 Project for 100 working days. Council Member Shatava asked about the time frame for the street light at SE 11th Street to be installed. Engineer Gade stated the funding for this was through RISE Grant money and is tied to IJOBS and will go out for bid in April. He stated that there were three divisions to this project: signals, Hwy 141 a left turn lane on Hwy 141 to SE 11th and an extension of Gateway Drive. He stated this would connect Gateway Drive to 19th Street. Gade advised that there would be two packages going out to bid, a paving contractor and a signal contractor. Council Member asked where the new QT was going in and was advised that it was where the old Phillip 66 station was located.

Council Member Shatava asked about any work being done on NE 18th Gade stated that this roadway was half County and half City of Grimes. He advised that when the County does improvement on this roadway the City will commit funds that have been designated in the City's CIP.

4. City Staff Report

City Administrator Brown stated that she wanted to add that regarding the contract agreement with the railroad, that the IDOT stated that signing an agreement with one railroad was good but getting two railroads to sign was nothing short of a miracle. Brown went on to state that this was Phase 1 and Phase 2 would be to acquire property.

5. Old Business

There was no old business

6. New Business

Council Member Altringer stated that she would be attending the MAC Strategic Planning Meeting this week. She also stated that Metro Advisory Council would be meeting to discuss regional projects and she would also be attending.

Council Member Tapper asked that in a future workshop the possibility of the City having a Facebook page be discussed. Council Member Evans added that she would like to discuss at a workshop the communication of the City.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Altringer, Seconded by Tapper; there being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 6:14 pm.

ATTEST:

Rochelle Williams, City Clerk

Thomas M. Armstrong, Mayor