

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Tuesday, October 13, 2009

**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, October 13, 2009 at 5:30 P.M. at the Grimes City Hall.

Roll Call: Present: Evans, Grove, Patterson, Altringer Absent: Grove

### **GENERAL AGENDA ITEMS.**

#### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by Long, Seconded by Patterson to approve the agenda with a change under the Consent Agenda Item J. Pay Request to W.S. Bunch Company changing the amount owed to \$146,966.99; shall be approved.

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

#### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Minutes from the September 22, 2009 B. Resolution 10-0109 Authorizing Loan Agreement, Providing for the Issuance of General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2009, and Providing for the Levy of Taxes to Pay the Same C. Settlement and Release Agreement Between the City of Grimes and EBH, Inc. D. E. 1<sup>st</sup> Street Pay Application #2 to A & W Electrical Contractors \$67,480.40 E . 1<sup>st</sup> Street Paving Project Pay Application # 10 to Concrete Technologies, Inc. in the amount of \$61,882.38. F. EMS Request for write off G. Award Contract for Servicing Radio Equipment for EMS to Electronic Engineering, Des Moines, Iowa in the amount of \$7,617.00 H. Reimbursement per Development Agreement to RightStuf for Property Tax - \$17,905 I. Storm Sewer Easement J. Water System Standpipe Painting to W.S. Bunch Company Pay Request No. 1 \$146,966.99 K. Pay Request #1 to Central Iowa Mechanical for HVAC Renovation at Grimes Community Complex in the amount of \$81,272.50 L. Proposal from Cintas for Professional Services M. Payroll Liability 2009 N. Bid from Central Iowa Glass for \$4,500 for 9 windows at Grimes Community Complex O. Finance Report for September P. Claims dated October 13, 2009 in the amount of \$912,952.11

Moved by Long, Seconded by Altringer; the Consent Agenda shall be approved

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

Council Member Grove arrives at 5:33 p.m.

#### **FIRE CHIEF REPORT**

Fire Chief Krohse advised the Council that there were 39 EMS runs for the month of September. Chief Krohse advised that Chris Ford has accepted the position with Grimes Fire and Rescue as a Paramedic/Firefighter. Mayor Armstrong administered the oath of office to Chris Ford.

#### **PATROL REPORT**

Representing the Polk County Sheriff's Department were Officer Johns and Liaison Officer Knight. Officer Knight stated that there continues to be break-ins in vehicles and garages in Grimes. Officer Knight encouraged residents to close and lock garage doors

and vehicles. He also encouraged residents to call the non-emergency number to the sheriff's department if they see any suspicious vehicles or people in their neighborhoods. Officer Knight also stated that the department was doing security audits for businesses and homes.

## **PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS AND COUNCIL ACTIONS**

### **A. PUBLIC FORUM**

Brian Buethe, Executive Director of the Grimes Chamber and Economic Development update the Council on some upcoming events. Buethe stated that the Annual Grimes/Johnston Economic Development bus tour would be held on October 14, 2009 and that if anyone was interested in attending, to let him know. Buethe also reminded the Council of the Comprehensive Plan Meeting which would open to the public for input, would be held on October 22, 2009 in the Council Chambers beginning at 6:00 p.m. He advised that a Candidate Forum for those running for City Council and Mayor would be held in the Council Chambers on October 26, 2009 from 6-8 p.m.

### **COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS.**

#### **1. Mayor's Report**

Mayor Armstrong stated that he was happy to report that Walmart has broke ground for their new store just east of Hwy 141 that should be open mid summer next year. He advised that this store would create around 300 jobs that would pay an average of \$11.62 an hour.

#### **2. City Attorney's Report**

The City Attorney had nothing new to report.

#### **3. City Engineer's Report**

City Engineer John Gade advised that the bike trail along the cemetery has been completed but the section along Kennybrook extension has not been, due to the weather. He also stated that South James Street is now  $\frac{3}{4}$  paved. The section from SW 19<sup>th</sup> north to the sports complex will be worked on next. Gade stated that the Iowa Interstate Railroad Company has informed the City of their intent to repair the railroad crossing beginning on Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009. The estimated construction period for this crossing is 1 week (5 working days). During this time period, traffic will not be allowed to cross the railroad crossing. It is the City's intent to have S. James Street open to traffic from SE 37<sup>th</sup> Street to SE 19<sup>th</sup> Street during this construction process to redirect traffic coming and going to businesses west of the railroad tracks on SE 37<sup>th</sup> Street to Grimes Blvd (HWY 141). Gade stated that once Iowa Interstate Railroad has completed their work, Grimes Asphalt (the contractor who provided the asphalt overlay on SE 37<sup>th</sup> Street) will resurface the approaches adjacent to the rails to provide a smooth approach. This work should fall within the 5 working day period as stated earlier.

#### **4. City Staff Report**

City Administrator Brown had nothing new to report.

**5. Old Business**

There was nothing new to report.

**6. New Business**

Council Member Long stated that Metro Waste would be increasing their fees for bag stickers from \$1 to \$1.10 and tipping fees from \$16 to \$17 per pick up load. Long also stated that he along with his wife Marilyn, and Brian Buethe from the Chamber had volunteered their time to assist with the Honor Flight that went out of Des Moines that day. Long commented on the letters that had been written by school children to the veterans and that he had seen letters from Dallas Center Grimes students. Long stated that it was a honor to help with this event and wanted to thank the veterans that served.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Long, Seconded by Altringer; there being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Rochelle Williams, City Clerk

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Tom Armstrong, Mayor