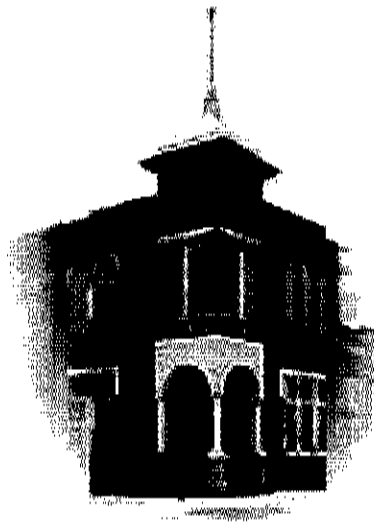


CITY OF GRANGER



**Regular Meeting
November 14, 2011**

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Sabra Davis
City Administrator

Anthony Morehouse
Mayor Pro Tem

Councilmembers
Rita Marburger
Katheryn Montgomery
Brad Schwitzer
Amanda Brosch

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

November 14, 2011 – 6:30 p.m. – Monday
Granger City Hall

1. CALL TO ORDER Meeting was called to order by Mayor Jerry Lalla at 6:30 P.M.

- a. Roll Call *Members present included Mayor Jerry Lalla, Anthony Morehouse, Amanda Brosch, Brad Schwitzer, Rita Marburger, and Kat Montgomery. Staff present were Jim Trudell – Public Works, Mark Harwell- Planning & Zoning, Sabra Davis- City Administrator Absent: Chief Larry Kincaid (working a case)*
- b. Invocation *led by Jim Trudell*
- c. Pledge of Allegiance *led by Amanda Brosch*

2. PUBLIC COMMENT & PRESENTATIONS

(The City Council welcomes public comments on items not listed on the agenda. Public Comments will be held to a maximum of 3 minutes. However, the Council cannot act on any item until the item is posted on a future meeting agenda.)

A. Public Hearing on Goods In-Transit Resolution

B. Citizen Remarks (*Citizens Who Have Signed Up to Speak*)

Steve Raby *asked the council to please consider naming the new park after Dollie Hajda in honor of her many years of service to the city. He also asked council to consider possibly placing benches to honor Dan Martinet and several others for years of service as well.*

Nipper Cobb *said she was representing many terrified after receiving certified letters of code violations*
Audrey Orstermister *said she was one that received a certified letter for a code violation and that it was physically upsetting. Her violation referred to a car in the yard. It was suggested that she register the car as an antique-then she would be able to keep the car without being in violation.*

Scott Murrah *told the council of some grant opportunities that might be of interest to the City of Granger.*

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Planning & Zoning Committee Update *report given by Mark Harwell. The Munoz project has been slowed down because of County "Red-Tape" and he had been approached by a lady researching the possibilities of purchasing the Hajda house to open a "Bed & Breakfast".*
- B. Utility Department Report regarding the Public Works Operations as submitted for the month of September 2011. *Report by Jim Trudell –Public Works Supervisor (included)*
- C. Police Department Report regarding an update of the activity as submitted for the month of September 2011. *Written by Chief Kincaid (included)*
- D. Fire Department Report regarding an update of the activity as submitted for the month of September 2011. *Given by Anthony Morehouse*
- E. Animal Control/Code Enforcement Report regarding an update of the activity as submitted for the month of September 2011. *Written by Lynda Simek- ACO/ Code Enforcer (included)*

F. City Administrator Report regarding an update of the activity at City Hall. *Written and reported by Sabra Davis- City Administrator (included)*

4. CONSENT AGENDA

(The Consent Agenda includes non-controversial and routine items the Council may act on with one single vote. The Mayor or any Council Member may pull any item from the Consent Agenda to discuss and act upon individually on the Regular Agenda)

A. Consider Approval of Meeting Minutes for the Regular City Council Meeting on October 10,2011

Anthony Morehouse- I make a motion that we accept the minutes from October 10, 2011 meeting as written.

Seconded by Amanda Brosch

Motion passes with all in favor

B. Consider Approval of Resolution No. 11142011 Goods-in –Transit

Anthony Morehouse- I make a motion that we pass Resolution No. 11142011 Goods in Transit.

Seconded by Amanda Brosch

Motion passes with all in favor

C. Consider Approval of 3/C Construction Bid

Anthony Morehouse- I make a motion that we accept 3/C Construction's Bid Proposal of \$7482.00 with no more than 20% to be paid at the start of project and the remainder to be paid after the project is finished.

Seconded by Amanda Brosch

Motion passes with 4 for and 1 abstaining (Anthony Morehouse, Amanda Brosch, Rita Marburger, and Brad Schwitzer voted for and Kat Montgomery abstained)

D. Consider Approval of Current Fee Schedules

Anthony Morehouse- I make a motion that item 4D be tabled until the next meeting.

Seconded by Amanda Brosch

Motion passes with all in favor

5. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS *(The City Council for the City of Granger reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed within the posted Meeting Agenda, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.087 (Economic Development).)*

A. Recycling Presentation by Clawson Disposal *Troy Clawson presented and offered to answer any questions concerning the recycling program. He noted that paper was not included because schools have a recycling program for paper that helps them get money. Also noted the City would be receiving a 10% franchise fee if the recycling is added. The City is looking at an increase in garbage collection fees as we are behind in renewing our contracts. Clawson stated that the citizens' would be receiving pamphlets explaining more about the recycling program along with an eighteen gallon tote to recycle in.*

B. Discuss and Consider Action regarding Recycling

Anthony Morehouse –I make a motion that we approve Clawson Disposal's new contract (rates) adding recycling to services provided for the City of Granger.

Seconded by Rita Marburger

Motion passes with a vote of 4 for and 1 against. Voting for was Anthony Morehouse, Amanda Brosch, Rita Marburger, and Kat Montgomery. Brad Schwitzer voted against

C. Presentation by Baker-Aicklen & Associates

The firm offered the Council an explanation of which they were, possible grant opportunities, and asked to be considered for the City's grant work.

D. Discuss and Consider Action regarding Baker- Aicklen & Associates Proposal

Rita Marburger- I make the motion that we table this item until Monday November 21 at 6:30.

Motion seconded by Anthony Morehouse

Motion passes with all in favor

E. Discuss and Consider Developing an Economic Development Committee

Mark Harwell offered explanation of steps involved in actually forming a committee. A leader chosen, invitations to be on committee sent, goals, establish by-laws and legal standards. He stated it would probably take at least until May to actually get started. The committee would need five to seven members and we would need guidelines from TML and Attorney General's Office.

Amanda Brosch- I make the motion that we approve the formation of an Economic Development Committee with Mark Harwell as Chairperson.

Brad Schwitzer seconded the motion.

Motion passes with all in favor

F. Discuss and Consider Nominee for the Williamson County Central Texas Appraisal District's Board of Directors

Anthony Morehouse- I make a motion that we apply the five votes allotted to the City of Granger to Deborah Hunt as our nominee of choice for the Williamson County Central Texas Appraisal District's Board of Directors

Seconded by Amanda Brosch

Motion passes with 5 votes for 0 votes against

G. Discuss and Consider setting Date and Details for Christmas Party

Amanda Brosch- I make a motion that we set the Holiday Celebration date as December 12th at 6:30 PM o'clock at the SPJST. We will have potluck with the City providing tea and coffee (a sign-up sheet will be at City Hall for employees to announce what type of food they are planning on bringing-meat, salads, vegetables, or desserts).

Seconded by Anthony Morehouse

Motion passes with 5 votes for and 0 votes against

H. Discuss and Consider Hiring SC Services (collection service)

Anthony Morehouse- I make a motion that we hire SC Services for our collections agency to collect our outstanding citations and warrants.

Seconded by Amanda Brosch

Motion passes with 5 votes for and 0 votes against

I. Discuss and Consider Over-time and On-Call Pay Procedures

Anthony Morehouse- I make a motion we move this item to executive session.

Seconded by Amanda Brosch

Motion passes with 5 votes for and 0 votes against

Amanda Brosch- I make a motion to adjourn into executive session

Seconded by Anthony Morehouse

Motion passes with 5 votes for and 0 votes against

Adjourned into executive session at 7:52 PM

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS (*Closed meeting regarding the following Agenda Items in accordance with Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, Personnel Matters, and/or Section 551.071 of the Texas Government code, Consultation with Attorney.*)

- A. Discuss and Consider Personnel Issues within Police Department
- B. Discuss and Consider Personnel Issues with the ACO/ Code Enforcement Officer
- C. Regular Agenda Item I-On-call and Overtime pay (moved from Regular Agenda)

Reconvened from executive session at 8:33 PM

7. FINAL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

- A. Discuss and Consider Personnel Issues Regarding Officer Francis
Amanda Brosch – I make the motion that we allow Chief Kincaid to continue monitoring Officer Francis.
Seconded by Brad Schwitzer
Motion passes with 4 for and Anthony Morehouse abstaining from both the discussion and the vote.
- B. Discuss and Consider Personnel Issues with the ACO/ Code Enforcement Officer
Amanda Brosch- I make a motion that we continue to allow Chief Kincaid to address personnel issues within his department.
Seconded by Kat Montgomery
Motion passes with 4 for and Anthony Morehouse abstaining from both the discussion and vote.
- C. Discuss and Consider Over-time and On-Call Pay Procedures

Amanda Brosch- I make a motion that we do not change the way we pay over-time and on-call. We will clarify that a work week is Monday through Friday 8:00 am -5:00 pm (on-call will receive one extra hour per day), Saturday, Sunday and Holidays (on-call will receive two hours per day). While on-call, if worker actually has to work they will receive over-time. Over-time will not be paid unless 40 hours have been worked. Sick time does not count toward worked 40 hours (while vacation and holiday do).

Seconded by Brad Schwitzer
Motion passes with all in favor.

Amanda Brosch –I make motion that we adjourn
Motion seconded by Anthony Morehouse
Motion passes with all in favor.

8. ADJOURNMENT at 8:35 PM
Minutes Approved by the City of Granger City Council:

January 9, 2012

Date



Mayor Jerry Lalla



Sabra Davis, City Administrator