

November 5, 2015

The Graham City Council met in REGULAR SESSION in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 5, 2015 with the following members present:

MEMBERS: Mayor: Jack Graham  
 Mayor Pro-Tem: Spencer Street III (absent)  
 Council Member: Brint Albritton  
 Council Member: Darby Brockway  
 Council Member: Lee Boyd  
 City Manager: Brandon Anderson  
 City Secretary: David Maddy (absent)  
 Chief Accountant: Sharon McFadden (record minutes)  
 Police Chief: Tony Widner  
 Assistant Police Chief: Brent Bullock  
 Fire Chief: Jerry David

VISITORS: Judge John Charles Bullock, Sandra Helvey, Jerry McDowell, Larry Novak, Jimmy McLeroy, Johnny Ward, Carmen Ward, Casey Holder, Jennifer Conway, Neal Blanton, Robert San Miguel, and Jason Cottongame.

ORDER: Mayor Jack Graham called the meeting to order and opened with prayer.

PUBLIC FORUM: No comments

MINUTES APPROVED:

Minutes from the October 22, 2015 regular meeting were approved 3-0. Darby Brockway made the motion to approve minutes and Brint Albritton made the second motion.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON ORDINANCE #1044 AMENDING SECTION 12 OF ORDINANCE #249 REQUIRING LICENSING OF PERSONS SELLING AND/OR SOLICITING SALES OF MERCHANDISE FROM DOOR TO DOOR; PROVIDING FOR RESTRICTIONS ON PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, OTHER ORDINANCES, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (1<sup>ST</sup> READING)

Brandon Anderson mentioned the change to paragraph 5 to be "either/or" has been made. Mayor Jack Graham stated another reading will be required. Brint Albritton made the motion for the soliciting changes and Lee Boyd made the second, and motion passed 3-0.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON CASTING CITY OF GRAHAM ELIGIBLE VOTES FOR MEMBER(S) ON THE YOUNG COUNTY APPRAISAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Brandon Anderson stated that as discussed at the last meeting, he recommended all votes be cast for our proposed member, Darby Brockway. Lee Boyd made the motion to cast votes for Mr. Brockway, Brint Albritton made the second, and motion passed 3-0.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON RENTAL CONTRACT FOR MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM AS PRESENTED.

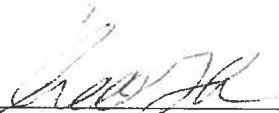
Mayor Jack Graham asked for an explanation of the contract from Jerry McDowell (Auditorium Manager). Jerry McDowell stated for legality reasons the contract needed to be updated to include Force Majeure which protects city employees and city officers (i.e. Council Members, Mayor) from legal responsibility should anyone be injured on Memorial Auditorium property. Negligence would require proof from the claimant. Mr. McDowell had the overhead rigging inspected and said there were no issues. Darby Brockway made the motion to approve the Rental Contract, Brint Albritton made the second, and motion passed 3-0.

REPORTS:


Judge John Charles Bullock informed Council the County was seeking a polling location. The County had considered Memorial Auditorium. However, the Auditorium had several scheduling conflicts with election date requirements. Brandon Anderson stated the importance of finding a stable central location and noted many "challenges." Mr. Anderson mentioned the Library had also been considered but had conflicting business hours. Judge Bullock mentioned the County seeks to reduce polling locations from nine down to six. Mayor Jack Graham stated GISD Administration Office was a good selection in the previous election. Graham Leader Reporter Casey Holder announced as of November 15, 2015, he will be resigning with plans to relocate to Austin. Mayor Jack Graham stated his appreciation for Casey Holder's service to the community of Graham. Brandon Anderson informed Council the rates for lake garbage had a mistake on the City's end and have been corrected. City employees will be working to adjust accounts accordingly. Mr. Anderson mentioned Graham Regional Medical Center is in the process of changing management companies (new administration) which should be good for the community and the hospital. Mr. Anderson reported the current level at Lake Graham as 94.9% full as of November 5, 2015.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Brint Albritton, a second from Darby Brockway, and a vote of 3-0 the Council meeting was adjourned.

  
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John Chiles Graham, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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David Maddy, City Secretary