

June 27, 2019

The Graham City Council met in REGULAR SESSION in the Council Chambers at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 27, 2019 with the following members present:

MEMBERS:	Mayor:	Neal Blanton
	Mayor Pro-Tem:	Darby Brockway
	Council Member:	Brint Albritton
		Lee Boyd
		Kyle Peavy
	City Manager:	Brandon Anderson
	City Secretary:	Sharon McFadden
	City Attorney:	Dan De La Cruz
	Municipal Judge:	Teresa Bishop (absent)
	Interim Police Chief:	Brent Bullock
	Fire Chief:	Jerry David
	Assistant Fire Chief:	Jim Don Laurent

VISITORS: Chris Hall, Jimmy McLeroy, Sandra Helvey, Jason Cottongame, David Miller, Roy Pitcock, Jr., Owen De La Cruz, Sarah Bullock, Claudia Sanchez, Thomas Wallner, Joe Beruda, Tracy Terasas, Richard Ferguson, Jack Edwards, BJ Cook, Coby Leach, and Jim Reeves.

ORDER: Mayor Neal Blanton called the meeting to order and opened with prayer.

PUBLIC FORUM: No comments were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the Regular Session Council meeting held on Thursday, June 13, 2019 were considered. Brint Albritton made the first motion. Kyle Peavy seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved 4-0.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF BRENT BULLOCK TO THE POSITION OF CHIEF OF POLICE BY CITY MANAGER, BRANDON ANDERSON:

Brandon said former Police Chief Tony Widner left in January 2019. Assistant Chief (now Interim) Brent Bullock has been filling-in for the past six months. Brandon said a survey was conducted eight months ago and a follow-up survey has been completed. Brandon said Brent provides talent within our own ranks, is worthy, and the best fit for the job. Brandon informed Council that 39 applicants applied for the Chief of Police position. Kyle Peavy made the first motion and Lee Boyd seconded. Council unanimously approved 4-0 the appointment of Brent Bullock as Chief of the Graham Police Department. Mayor Blanton congratulated Chief Bullock.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON CLOSURE OF THE ALLEY ADJACENT TO 913 FOURTH STREET (INFORMATION IN PACKET):

Brandon said Chris and Michelle Hall approached Public Works Director, Jason Cottongame, and asked what it would take to get the alley closed. They are owners of the properties on both sides of alley. Brandon mentioned Chris Hall is present at the meeting today. Jason told them the information required and the Halls have submitted. Brandon thanked Mr. Hall for the well-organized packet. Brandon said the alley will have to be appraised and the Halls will be required to pay the City fair market value for the property. Jason said the property currently serves no purpose but was previously used for trash pick-up. Brint Albritton made the first motion. Darby Brockway made the second. The alley closure was unanimously approved 4-0.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON AMENDING ORDINANCE #947 WHICH CREATED PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT #4 BY ADDING UNDER SECTION 2, ITEM (A) LAND USES, ITEM #8 CONVENIENCE STORE OR TRAVEL CENTER WITH FUEL SALES:

Brandon said the PD #4 runs along Highway 380 to east of town. Brandon mentioned he has been an advocate for sprucing-up the eastern entrance of town from Highway 380. The GISD School Board has approved the sale. GEIC is working on this and the use fits the area. The location runs from Cliff Drive on the East to just off of Highway 380. Brandon said a convenience store with fueling station would be consistent with other businesses in the area. When zoned it was deemed as agriculture. The Planning and Zoning Board has discussed and given approval. New Ordinance #1089 was unanimously approved 4-0 with Kyle Peavy making the first motion and Brint Albritton providing the second motion.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON ALLOWING CITY STAFF TO MOVE FORWARD WITH A CHANGE IN ZONING FROM AGRICULTURE TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT #4 FOR THE RECENTLY ANNEXED LAND THAT THE SCHOOL HAS BETWEEN THE BASEBALL FIELD AND HIGHWAY 380, THIS WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH OTHER ZONING OF PROPERTIES ALONG 380 COMING INTO GRAHAM FROM THE EAST. IF APPROVED, A LEGAL DESCRIPTOIN WILL BE ADDED:

Mayor Blanton said this is specific to the piece of land at Barclay Blvd. and 380. Brandon said it is currently zoned as agriculture. Brandon said this motion will give staff authority to move forward with the survey and the public hearing that is required. Lee Boyd made the motion. Darby Brockway seconded and the motion was unanimously approved 4-0.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON YOUNG COUNTY CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT 2020 PROPOSED BUDGET:

Brandon said the budget compared to last year has decreased approximately \$3,500. Brandon said last year the City paid in \$63,400 and the proposed budget is \$59,700. Higher costs in the previous year was for GIS mapping hardware updates. Brandon said the Appraisal District plans to fly again in December 2019. Brandon mentioned that new legislation requires ETJ and City Limits through a GIS mapping system. Brandon said eventually the public will have access to the information on our domain. The access will include water lines, sewer lines, and city limits. Darby Brockway sits on the YCAD board and he affirmed software will be paid off this year and there are additional expenses of fly they plan to do. Brint Albritton made the first motion and Lee Boyd seconded. The proposed budget of the Appraisal District was unanimously approved 4-0.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON A REQUEST FROM THE CHURCH OF GOD OF THE FIRSTBORN FOR CLOSURE OF THE NORTH SIDE OF THE SQUARE ON JUNE 29, 2019 FROM 12:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M.:

Brandon said this Saturday, June 29, 2019 is the rescheduled date and this request had been tabled at the last meeting. The request has been changed from blocking of Third Street to the Square and has already been approved by Young County. Kyle Peavy made the first motion. Brint Albritton made the second motion. The request was unanimously approved 4-0.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON A REQUEST FROM THE REMEMBERING WYATT DALE WATER SAFETY AWARENESS BOARD FOR THE USE AND RESERVATION OF THE LAKE EDDLEMAN PARK ON AUGUST 23 AND 24, 2019 FOR THEIR WATER SAFETY AWARENESS EVENT FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M. ON AUGUST 24, 2019:

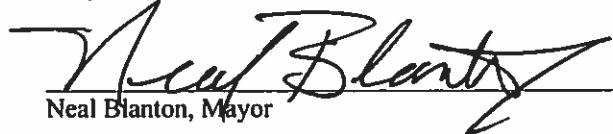
Brandon mentioned the first event was held at the lake and was moved to the square the past few years. The recently planned event was cancelled due to bad weather. Tracy thanked City Council for the contributions and support for the cause. Tracy mentioned that the loaner station has been successful. Mayor Blanton thanked Tracy for all the organization does. Darby Brockway made the motion and Lee Boyd seconded. The request was unanimously approved 4-0.

REPORTS:

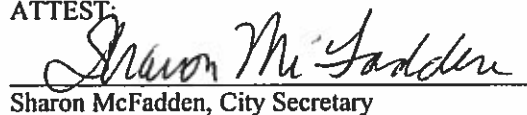
- Lisa Kinhead, Chamber Manager, mentioned the Independence celebration and Chalk the Walk being held on the Square Thursday, July 4, 2019.
- Joe Beruda, GEIC Director, said he is working on 509 and 511 Fourth Street properties. Design teams plan to look at the building and the intention is to deliver entertainment to the community. Joe said GIA owns the properties.
- Brandon said the lake level is at 100 percent full. Financials are included but will be reviewed and presented at the next Council meeting. Brandon will be out the rest of Thursday, June 27, 2019 and Friday, June 28, 2019. He is attending a City Manager Meeting in Fort Worth.
- Tracy Terasas thanked the Fire Department for Volunteering to fit children for distribution of life jackets at the Fire Station.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Kyle Peavy, a second from Darby Brockway, the Council meeting was unanimously adjourned.


Neal Blanton, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sharon McFadden, City Secretary