

July 19, 2012

The Graham City Council met in REGULAR SESSION in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 19, 2012 with the following members present:

MEMBERS: Mayor: Barry White
Mayor Pro-Tem: Jack Graham -absent
Council Member: Spencer Street III-late
Pam Scott
Greg Montgomery
City Manager: Larry Fields
City Secretary: David Maddy
Public Works Director: David Casteel
Police Chief: Tony Widner
Assistant Police Chief: Brent Bullock-absent
Fire Chief: Dennie Covey

VISITORS: Martin Litteken, Clif knight, Jennifer Conway, Eddie Gellner, Sandra Helvey, Jessica James and Cherry Rushin.

ORDER: Mayor Barry White called the meeting to order and opened with prayer.

PUBLIC FORUM:
None

MINUTES APPROVED:

Minutes from the July 5, 2012 regular meeting were approved 3-0 on a motion from Greg Montgomery and a second from Pam Scott.

CONSIDER IESI CPI INCREASE REQUEST:

The City's contract with IESI allows IESI to request an increase equal to any CPI increase for the 12 month fiscal year. The CPI increase was 1.61% which allows the residential rate of \$18.01 to increase to \$18.30 per month. No discussion was held on whether or not the increase would be passed on to customers. Pam Scott made the motion to approve the increase, Greg Montgomery made the second and motion passed 3-0.

CONSIDER REPLAT OF BLOCKS 3 AND 4, HINSON SECOND ADDITION AND ADJOINING TRACT OF LAND OUT OF PAUL PIER SURVEY, A-219:

Bell Processing has proposed a re-plat of approximately 18 lots, two alleys and one undivided parcel for use by their metal processing yard. The company is being relocated from the existing yard on West Street as part of the Salt Creek Flood project. The new yard location is zoned for industrial use and is across the street from the City Convenience Station. Planning and Zoning has approved the request. Martin Litteken with Cornerstone Engineering and Clif Knight with Bell Processing were present. The City expressed concern about water runoff on Avenue F. Mr. Litteken said that the runoff moves to the northwest and they are building a pond to hold it, slowing the runoff and allowing it to drain via the pond. A privacy fence will be built. Greg Montgomery made the motion to approve the re-plat, Pam Scott made the second and motion passed 4-0.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A CONTRACT AMENDMENT REQUEST FOR CDBG CONTRACT NUMBER 711220:

The City received a Community Development Block Grant for reconstruction of Third Street and was able to include two more blocks making the project go out as far as Pioneer Cemetery. The resolution amends the contract to include the two additional blocks. Spencer Street made the motion to authorize the amendment, Greg Montgomery made the second and motion passed 4-0.

CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF LAND ALONG HOT POINT LOOP:

This action will authorize staff to issue a Request for Expression of Interest for the development of approximately 24 acres of land along the east shore of Lake Eddleman and Hot Point Loop Road. The City would require the re-construction of the road and the development of a public park in exchange for the development rights to the land. The City will consider request for development such as an RV park, marina, condos or resort, light commercial such as a restaurant and restricted residential. The request is to find out if there is any interest at this point. The request will be advertised locally and in surrounding areas. Greg Montgomery made the motion to authorize the request, Pam Scott made the second and motion passed 4-0.

CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION FOR PROPOSALS TO SURVEY PROPERTY ADJACENT TO LAKES GRAHAM AND EDDLEMAN:

City Staff have visited with local surveyors and the Young County Appraisal District and it appears that land owned by the City around the lakes has not been surveyed in recent years and as such location and acreage is not currently clear. At an estimated cost of about \$6,000 the area will be surveyed and a map produced that can be used for future decision making. Pam Scott made the motion to authorize for proposals to survey the land, Spencer Street made the second and motion passed 4-0.

REPORTS:

Chief Widner reported that 3 or 4 arrests had been made on the copper thefts. Chief Covey reported on June Fire Rescue activities noting the \$2,500 grant reimbursement from the forest service for training, the diving course for non divers in the department and the volunteer activities of the department. Jessica James reported 2,000 new leads or requests for information through the CVB. There is a new ad in "See Texas First", she is designing a new visitor's guide and Main Street helped the Quilt Box with their new website. David Casteel reported seal coating is continuing, the new jogging track at Fireman's Park was completed and he and Larry presented the water improvement project to the Rotary Club. Staff met with Braham East and Fort Belknap and will present the project to the other civic clubs in the following weeks. Larry reported the lake level at 1073.23' or 90% capacity. 1075' is full.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Greg Montgomery, a second from Spencer Street and a vote of 4-0 the Council meeting was adjourned.

Barry White, Mayor

ATTEST:

David Maddy, City Secretary