

January 29, 2015

The Graham City Council met in REGULAR SESSION in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 29, 2015 with the following members present:

MEMBERS: Mayor: Jack Graham
 Mayor Pro-Tem: Pam Scott
 Council Member: Spencer Street III
 Brint Albritton
 Darby Brockway
 City Manager: David Casteel
 City Secretary: David Maddy
 Police Chief: Tony Widner
 Assistant Police Chief: Brent Bullock
 Fire Chief: Dennie Covey

VISITORS: Dana June, Anne Skipper, Rubyetta Cain, Hester Bender, Diane Cody, Cloy Richards, Gina Donnell, Alex Heartfield, Robbie Roberts, Brad Boyett, Don Dorsey, Neal Blanton, Jimmy McLeroy, Eddie Gellner, Jerry David, Randall Dawson, Jennifer Conway, Sharon McFadden, Sandra Helvey, Jim Helvey, Jason Cottongame and Bryan Rash.

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

PUBLIC FORUM:

Hester Bender thanked City for cleanup on Sewer Plant Road. Mayor Graham said the Chamber "Taste of Graham" was an excellent event.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Minutes from the January 15, 2015 regular meeting were approved 4-0 with one correction on a motion from Darby Brockway and a second from Pam Scott.

CONSIDER FINAL FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR DECEMBER 2014:

David Maddy presented the final December financial report Pam Scott made the motion to approve, Brint Albritton made the second and motion passed 4-0.

CONSIDER AN AGREEMENT WITH THE GRAHAM INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR USE OF THE MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM:

The auditorium board and the school have conversed and recommend that an agreement be reached for a contract that will allow school use for a yearly lump sum. The recommended lump sum would be \$4500. Staff requested approval to negotiate and execute such a contract with the school district. UIL will pay \$300 per day. Spencer Street made the motion to approve negotiation and execution of a contract, Pam Scott made the second and motion passed 4-0.

CONSIDER GENERAL REVENUE BUDGET REVISIONS FOR FY 15:

Sales tax and hotel occupancy tax were projected to increase for FY 15. With 33% of the year lapsed, a small decrease has been shown. Staff examined trends and general economic conditions. Staff recommends that sales tax expectations be lowered by \$325,000 for the FY and HOT expectations be lowered by \$15,000. Department heads have been consulted and a proposal was presented to achieve the reductions. David Maddy presented a list of reductions in the General Fund totaling an estimated \$328,900. Brint Albritton made the motion to approve the revisions, Darby Brockway made the second and motion passed 4-0. An amended budget ordinance will be prepared for the next Council meeting.

DISCUSS LIGHTING IN CITY OWNED AND OPERATED FACILITIES:

In the previous meeting, Council authorized staff to work with Basic IDIQ to examine lighting in city facilities and determine if there would be significant energy cost savings by conversion to newer light emitting devices. That study has been completed and Robbie Roberts, Brad Boyett and Don Dorsey of Basic IDIQ presented the findings and discussed options for moving forward from this point. The net cost of the project after discount is \$410,678 which would also be the amount to finance. LED lights will be installed in all facilities and are rated for 50,000 hours (compared to the 20,000 with current lights). This is guaranteed by the manufacturer and the City will extra lamps and ballasts on hand. It will take 10 weeks from signing the contract to completion of the work. The savings in electricity is supposed to pay for the project. Council will review the project and discuss at the next meeting.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT APPLICATION FOR GRANT TO RECONSTRUCT A PORTION OF TEXAS STREET:

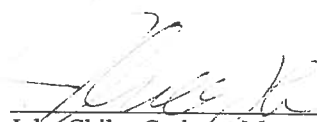
Cloy Richards with Grantworks presented a resolution which will authorize the submission of a grant application for a Community Block Grant to relocate the water line and reconstruct Texas Street from Old Jacksboro Road to 2nd Street. The water line has failed numerous times and there are more than 20 patches in the street. This has caused the street base to fail in places and result in a very rough surface. Pam Scott made the motion to approve the resolution, Brint Albritton made the second and motion passed 4-0.

REPORTS:

David Casteel reported the lake level at 1060.38' or 38% capacity. 1075' is full.

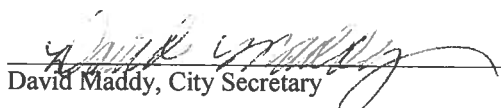
ADJOURNMENT:

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



John Chiles Grahafn, Mayor

ATTEST:



David Maddy, City Secretary