

May 31, 2018

The Graham City Council met in REGULAR SESSION in the Council Chambers at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 31, 2018 with the following members present:

MEMBERS:	Mayor:	Jack Graham/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
	Police Chief:	Tony Widner
	Assistant Police Chief:	Brent Bullock
	Fire Chief:	Jerry David
	Assistant Fire Chief:	Jim Don Laurent

VISITORS: Thomas Wallner, Sandra Helvey, Kathy Blanton, Jason Cottongame, Jimmy McLeroy, David Miller, Alex Heartfield, Mark Denny, Jeff Mercer, Kelli Shifflett, Kathy Weaver, BJ Cook, Municipal Judge Teresa Bishop, Krisa De La Cruz, Stacey Smith, and Richard Meyers.

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

PUBLIC FORUM: No comments were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the May 15, 2018 Regular Session Council Meeting were approved unanimously with Darby Brockway making the motion and Kyle Peavy making the second.

OATH OF OFFICE GIVEN TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS BY CITY SECRETARY, SHARON MCFADDEN:

Sharon conducted the Oath of Office for Mayor with Neal Blanton. The Oath of Office for City Council Place One for Darby Brockway was administered by Sharon. Brint Albritton was led by Sharon with his Oath of Office for City Council Place Two.

SPEECH AND PRESENTATION BY MAYOR NEAL BLANTON:

Neal thanked the community and his family for their support. He also recognized his friends of the past sixty (60) years, Stacey Smith and Richard Meyers. Neal briefly described his relationship with the Graham family. Neal recognized Jack Graham for his love of the community and what he has done for the City of Graham over the years. Neal presented John Chiles Graham with a plaque from the City of Graham to express appreciation for his service as councilman from 2008-2014 and as mayor from 2014-2018.

RECESS CALLED AT 9:07 A.M.

MEETING RECONVENED AT 9:13 A.M.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO-TEM:

Brint Albritton nominated Darby Brockway as Mayor Pro-Tem. Lee Boyd made the second and the nomination was approved.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON THE CITY OF GRAHAM EXTERNAL SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY:

Brandon Anderson briefly explained the purpose of the policy. Neal said that social media will benefit citizens in providing awareness of concerns, for example, posting of a water break. Brint Albritton made the motion. Lee Boyd seconded, and the external social media policy was approved.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON THE CITY OF GRAHAM SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY FOR EMPLOYEES:

Neal said the policy provides employees with an outline of responsibilities and how social media works. Motion was entertained by Kyle Peavy and seconded by Darby Brockway. The employee social media policy was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON THE APRIL 2018 FINANCIAL REPORTS AND THE MAY 2018 SALES TAX REPORT AS PRESENTED:

Sharon briefly reviewed the reports. Brandon noted the refuse of \$35,000 is an actual amount and other items are consistent. Brint Albritton made the motion to approve financials. Kyle Peavy made the second and the financials were unanimously approved.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON A REQUEST FROM RICHARD SEGARS WITH FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH TO CLOSE CHERRY STREET BETWEEN 3RD AND 4TH STREETS FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FROM JUNE 11-15, 2018 AND FROM 5:30-9:00 P.M. EACH EVENING:

Brandon said this has occurred in the past and no issues were experienced. First motion made by Kyle Peavy. Second motion made by Brint Albritton. The street closure request was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON A REQUEST FROM DANA BREITKREUTZ WITH OAK STREEET BAPTIST CHRUCH TO CLOSE A PORTION OF OAK AND A PORTION OF 1ST STREET AS SPECIFIED IN THE LETTER FROM JUNE 18-21, 2018 AND FROM 5:30-9:00 P.M. EACH EVENING:

Darby Brockway made the motion with Brint Albritton making the second. The street closure request was unanimously approved.

REPORTS:

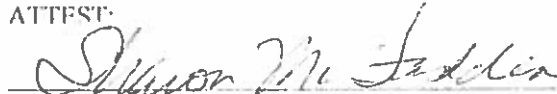
- Police Chief Tony Widner reviewed the Graham Police Department Monthly Activity Report for April 2018.
- Krisa De La Cruz, CEO of the Chamber and CVB mentioned the Possum Pedal Bike Ride having a record number of registrations. The Food Truck Championship event and the Concert also having record numbers.
- Jeff Mercer with the Graham Industrial Association (GIA) said that a company that recycles poly-pipe has signed a lease and will soon be relocating to Graham.
- City Attorney Dan De La Cruz said the Brazos River Authority (BRA) funds should be received by wire transfer to the City within the next thirty (30) days.
- City Manager Brandon Anderson said the lake level is 92.9 percent full. Code enforcement and warrant report in packet. City staff is lending hands to assist in the Possum Pedal and Food Truck.
- Mayor Neal Blanton expressed gratitude to the City of Graham employees, the Chamber and CVB staff, and volunteers for their efforts in the upcoming events scheduled for Saturday, June 2, 2018. He requested that anyone who sees Jack Graham in the community to take a moment and thank him for what he has done for the City of Graham.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Lee Boyd, a second from Kvie Peavy, the Council meeting was unanimously adjourned.


Neal Blanton, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sharon McFadden, City Secretary