

July 11, 2019

The Graham City Council met in REGULAR SESSION in the Council Chambers at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 11, 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 (absent)
	Municipal Judge:	Teresa Bishop (absent)
	Police Chief:	Brent Bullock
	Fire Chief:	Jerry David
	Assistant Fire Chief:	Jim Don Laurent

VISITORS: Jimmy McLeroy, Sandra Helvey, Thomas Wallner, Joe Beruda, Richard Fellows, Justin Howard, Kevin Strawbridge, Hailey Calcote, Dennis Fellows, Garrett Pettus, Chris Blanton, Scott Smith, Sara Lundgren, Krisa De La Cruz, Elton Montgomery, Mandy Hearne, Boyd L. Richie, and John T. Brown.

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

PUBLIC FORUM: Citizen Elton "Monty" Montgomery presented Mayor Blanton and the City Council with a Petition on the subject of relocation of City Hall to the American Legion Building. Mr. Montgomery requested to speak and Mayor Blanton honored the request with a time limit of fifteen minutes. Mr. Montgomery read aloud copies of email correspondence and the statement he intends to submit to the Graham Leader for publication. When the fifteen minutes expired, Mayor Blanton offered Mr. Montgomery an additional minute to close. Mr. Montgomery concluded. No additional comments were made during the Public Forum.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the Regular Session Council meeting held on Thursday, June 27, 2019 were considered. Kyle Peavy made the first motion. Brint Albritton seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved 4-0.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION FROM CITY SECRETARY, SHARON MCFADDEN:

Justin Howard, Sewer Plant Superintendent was recognized in a slide presentation for accomplishing his "A" operator license for wastewater.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON THE JUNE 2019 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT AND THE JULY 2019 SALES TAX REPORT:

Brandon stated the reports were within the previous Council packet but were not added into the agenda. Brint Albritton made the first motion. Darby Brockway made the second. The monthly reports were unanimously approved 4-0.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON PROPOSED EXTENDED AIRPORT HANGAR SPACE LEASE FOR DARRELL AND JOANETTE MORGAN, DETAILS IN THE REQUEST LETTER:

Brandon referred to Mr. Morgan's request letter and Lease Agreement in the Council packet. He is experimental aircraft. The lease was unanimously approved 4-0 with Darby Brockway making the first motion and Kyle Peavy providing the second motion.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 BUDGET CALENDAR:

Brandon reviewed the budget calendar in the Council packet and requested consideration with the understanding due to conflicts, some dates may need to be changed. Lee Boyd made the first motion. Brint Albritton seconded and the budget calendar was unanimously approved 4-0.

MAYOR NEAL BLANTON EXCUSED HIMSELF FROM THE MEETING AND TURNED THE REMAINDER OF THE MEETING OVER TO MAYOR PRO-TEM, DARBY BROCKWAY.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – CITY MANAGER, BRANDON ANDERSON:

Brandon reviewed the highlights of the 86th Legislature he obtained through the Texas City Manager Association meeting he attended on June 29, 2019.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS AS NEEDED BY MAYOR:

Mayor Pro-Tem, Darby Brockway and City Manager, Brandon Anderson reviewed the nominees for boards with vacancies. The term for Louis Pitcock III serving on the Arena Board is expiring and there is not a nominee at this time. Dr. Pete Brown's term on the Arena Board is expiring and Brendan Weatherman has been nominated. Sidney Brown's term on the Auditorium Board is expiring and Teri Christian has been nominated. Dennis Davis' term on the Board of Adjustments and Appeals is expiring and Eddie Perez has been nominated. Richard Scheriger's term on the Board of Adjustments and Appeals is expiring and Harry Lansing has been nominated. Gail Stephens's term on the Library Board is expiring and Penny Berend has been nominated. Diana Gardiner's term on the Library Board is expiring and Gabby Pitcock has been nominated. Clara Salazar's term on the Library Board is expiring and Laura Stephen has been nominated. Lajuana Richardson's term on the Library Board is expiring and Alexia Sweedler has been nominated. Andi Tate's term on the Park & Recreation Board is expiring and David Miller has been nominated. Laura Taylor's term on the Park & Recreation Board is expiring and Megan Paris has been nominated. Jess Turner's term as Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Board is expiring and Stan Peavy has been nominated to serve as Chairman. Glen McGee's term on the Planning & Zoning Board is expiring and Kolby Kramer has been nominated. Brint Albritton made the motion to approve the Board appointments. Lee Boyd seconded and the appointments were approved 3-0.

REPORTS:

- Krisa De La Cruz mentioned the Teacher Appreciation Breakfast is scheduled for Monday, August 12, 2019. The theme will be "Teacher's Rock."
- Elton Montgomery stated his request to be added to this agenda was denied by the Mayor. He requested to be added to the next Council agenda. Mr. Montgomery told City Secretary Sharon McFadden to make sure his statement was recorded on permanent record.
- Brandon Anderson said the lake is at 100 percent full. The Code Enforcement Report is in the back of the Council packet. Public Works Director, Jason Cottongame, submitted a resignation letter for his employment with the City of Graham to conclude on August 9, 2019, and a copy was added to the Council packet. Flushing of the lines continues and is meeting the requirements of TCEQ.

ADJOURNMENT:

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


Neal Blanton, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sharon McFadden, City Secretary