

**CITY OF GRAYLING**  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, November 8, 2021**

**I. Meeting called to order by Mayor Forbes at 6:30 pm**

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

**III. Roll Call**

Members Present: Forbes, Moshier, Sloan, Schreiner, Pettyjohn

Members Absent: None

Vacant Seats: None

Also, in Attendance: Doug Baum, City Manager, Caleb Casey, Chelsea Goodwin, City Clerk/Treasurer, Jill Tremonti, DDA/GMS Chair, Josie Swander and Michael Benefiel.

**IV. Public Comment**

Michael Benefiel of M-33 Access wanted to introduce himself and was looking for feedback as far as broadband in Grayling. He explained that he lived local and would be willing to talk and work with Council or the City Manager.

**V. Approval of Agenda**

21-129

**Moved by Schreiner seconded by Pettyjohn to approve the agenda with the Main Street Manager's Report moved to after New Business.**

**Roll Call Vote**

**Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0**

**Motion Carried**

**VI. Approval of Consent Agenda**

21-130

**Moved by Schreiner seconded by Sloan to approve the consent agenda as presented.**

**Roll Call Vote**

**Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain:0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0**

**Motion Carried**

## **VII. City Manager's Report**

City Manager Baum mentioned that he had recently attended the MI Chief's conference in Mackinaw. He mentioned that one of the discussions was that multiple agencies were having a hard time finding help. That nowadays, the younger generation is not looking at the whole benefit package but rather just the hourly wage and does not account for the cost of the benefits into that. Other agencies are now looking at not offering health and retirement in order to be able to increase the salary. He also talked about the changes in the law regarding reasons officers are able to stop a vehicle now to prevent officers from profiling.

He mentioned there was a MERS CEO round table meeting at City Hall and that the mayor was able to attend.

He mentioned that the applicant for the DPW Director position had turned in his packet for the background check and was just waiting to get that back.

He informed Members that the City had recently received ARPA funds and would be putting together a proposal for Council.

## **VIII. Main Street Manager's Report**

DDA/GMS Chair Tremonti mentioned that the position for the Main Street Manager position had been posted on 11/4/21 and would run through 11/19/21. The hiring committee's aiming to hire and fill the position in early December.

She mentioned that the Match on Main received 4 applicants and now 2 of the businesses will move onto the state level.

She mentioned there were 11 Veteran's banners going up this week.

The Christmas Walk will be on 11/20/21 downtown with activities as well as a promotion of 'Spend \$10, Win Big', that when shoppers spend \$10 at a local business, they receive a raffle ticket and are entered to win a basket full of goodies. The next DDA/GMS meeting will be on Wednesday, 11/10/21 @9:45am due to Thursday being Veteran's Day.

## **IX. Project Updates**

City Manager Baum explained that he was still waiting on a response from the military about moving the fence for the IBT. He mentioned there were new HVAC units installed at the Crime Lab but the new roof project would have to wait until spring. The contractor for the interior renovations is now working on a change order due to the costs being over \$20,000.

## **X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **A. Reapprove Zoning Ordinance Amendment No. 1 of 2021 – Outdoor Dining Accessory Structures.**

City Manager Baum explained that the previously approved amendment did not get published in the paper withing the required time frame and needed Council's reapproval.

21-131

**Moved by Sloan seconded by Schreiner to Reapprove Zoning Ordinance Amendment No. 1 of 2021 – Outdoor Dining Accessory Structures.**

**Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0**

**Motion Carried**

## **XI. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. City Manager's Evaluation**

Mayor Forbes briefly explained that the 2021 evaluation is based on his current contract, not goals put into place by Council seeing as the evaluation is changing and wouldn't be fair to complete an evaluation on goals he wasn't aware of.

### **B. Mayor's Appointment of Paul Crandall to Property Tax Board of Review**

21-132

**Moved by Schreiner seconded by Pettyjohn to approve the Mayor's Appointment of Paul Crandall to Property Tax Board of Review.**

Members discussed whether or not it would be a conflict of interest having 2 members of the same household on the BOR. Mayor Forbes suggested to have Paul Crandall as an alternate, if needed. Members agreed.

Member Schreiner rescinded his motion.

21-133

**Moved by Sloan seconded by Schreiner to approve the Mayor's Appointment of Paul Crandall as an alternate to the Property Tax Board of Review.**

**Roll Call Vote**

**Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0**

**Motion Carried**

### **C. Mayor's Appointment of Heather Crandall to Property Tax Board of Review**

21-134

**Moved by Schreiner seconded by Pettyjohn to approve the Mayor's Appointment of Heather Crandall to Property Tax Board of Review.**

**Roll Call Vote**

**Ayes: 5 Nays: 0, Abstain 0, Absent: 0, Vacant: 0**

**Motion Carried**

## **XII. Public Comment**

None.

## **XIII. Council Member Comments**

Member Schreiner asked if the city had received any applications for the snow removal position. City Manager Baum replied there had been 3 applications received.

Member Pettyjohn informed City Manager Baum that the dumpsters near his house were still being dumped at 5am. City Manager Baum said he would check on that but he knew that Waste Management had previously been informed of the city ordinance and the hours.

#### **XIV. Correspondence**

None.

#### **XV. Adjournment**

21-135

**Moved by Sloan seconded Schreiner to adjourn the meeting.**

**Roll Call Vote**

**Ayes: 5 Nays:0 Abstain:0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0**

Mayor Forbes adjourned the meeting at 7:34 pm.

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Chelsea Goodwin  
City Clerk/Treasurer

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