

**CITY OF GRAYLING**  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, April 9, 2018**

**I.** Meeting called to order by Mayor Schreiner at 6:30 P.M.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

**III. Roll Call**

Members Present: Karl Schreiner, Mark Allen, Roger Moshier and Heather Forbes

Members Absent: Karl DeVries

Vacant Seats: None

Also in Attendance: Doug Baum City Manager, Lisa Johnson City Clerk,  
Erich Podjaske, Zoning Administrator, Rae Gosling, Tim Rombach, Courtney and Rob  
Kalatt.

**IV. Public Comment**

Rae Gosling gave the MainStreet Report. She also mentioned she had just returned from the National Conference and will be applying great items learned to the MainStreet program. She reminded members of the Fundraiser coming up on May 18<sup>th</sup> with Feeny Ford

**V. Approval of Agenda**

18-034

**Moved by Allen seconded by Forbes to approve the agenda with the addition of item B under unfinished business USDA pre-application and item F under new business Economic Development discussion.**

**Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, Vacant 0, Motion Carried**

**VI. Approval of Consent Agenda**

18-035

**Moved by Forbes seconded by Moshier to approve the agenda with changes.**

Council Member Allen asked on an item under the Farm Market Fund.  
City Clerk/Treasurer explained it was due to billing for the Brownfield being done.

**Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, Vacant 0, Motion Carried**

**VII. City Managers Report**

City Manager Baum explained his report.  
Council Member Moshier asked about the Camp Grayling extension.

## **IX. Unfinished Business**

### **A. Proposed Blight Ordinance**

Mayor Schreiner mentioned the members could have discussion on the proposed ordinance or members could put their notes on paper and the City Manager could compile and be brought back for discussion.

Discussion took place

Consensus of the members was to have their notes to the City Manager with in two weeks and then to schedule a joint work session with city boards and the committee working on the proposed ordinance.

### **B. USDA Pre Application**

City Manager Baum explained that MEDC is pushing for the project to get moving, since they have funding they wish to put towards the project. The City needs to do a pre-application for the full amount of the project with USDA and once approved other groups will come forward with funds to put towards the project but need the pre-approval first. This doesn't commit the city to the pre-approved amount. As other funding comes in, that will reduce the pre-approved amount and once the final amount needed is known for a loan it would then be brought back to council for approval.

Members asked general questions.

18-036

**Moved by Moshier seconded by Allen to apply for the Pre-Approval with the USDA for the Market Project.**

**Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, Vacant 0, Motion Carried**

## **X. New Business**

### **A. Grayling Promotional Association-Multi Use Permit**

City Manager Baum explained they have taken the Fireworks over from the Youth Boosters and will now be in handling the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks event.

18-037

**Moved by Moshier seconded by Forbes to approve the Multi Use Permit from Grayling Promotional Association as presented.**

**Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, Vacant 0, Motion Carried**

### **B. Planning & Zoning Fee Schedules**

Zoning Officer Podjaske explained the changes and this was to help simplify the fee schedule.

18-038

**Moved by Forbes seconded by Allen to approve the Planning and Zoning Fee Schedules as presented.**

**Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, Vacant 0, Motion Carried**

**C. Appoint Council Member to the Park and Rec. Board**

Council Members had discussion

18-039

**Moved by Moshier seconded by Forbes to appoint Forbes to the Planning Commission Board and to appoint Allen to the Park and Rec Board.**

**Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, Vacant 0, Motion Carried**

**D. Removal of Thomas Nickerson from the Park and Rec. Board**

City Manager Baum explained his lack of attending Park and Rec. meetings

18-040

**Moved by Forbes seconded by Allen to remove Thomas Nickerson from the Park and Rec. Board.**

**Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, Vacant 0, Motion Carried**

**E. Set Public Hearing Dates**

City Manager Baum and the City Clerk/Treasurer Johnson explained the number of projects currently under way with the City, public hearings will be needed and with not knowing dates and when they will be needed. He is asking for Council to approve him to call them as needed for meetings so publications can get in the paper and hopefully this will then not require special meetings to be called or delay projects due to waiting for meetings to be set or public hearings to be held.

Council Members had discussion.

18-041

**Moved by Allen seconded by Forbes to approve the City Manager to set public hearings as needed for current City projects until September 10, 2018 at that time may extend if needed.**

**Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, Vacant 0, Motion Carried**

## **F. Economic Development Discussion**

Zoning Officer Podjaske and the MainStreet Manager Gosling explained options of City incentives to prospective developers and asked Council if they would consider incentives or not.

Members had discussion

Consensus of the Members was they were not against incentives but feel they need to be on a case by case approval and have a check list they must meet to be considered or approved and to move forward with looking into them.

City Manager Baum asked that Public Comment be done before the Closed Session.

Members agreed.

## **XI. Public Comment**

Zoning Officer Podjaske mentioned snow removal of sidewalks has gone well and they have had few complaints.

City Manager Baum also mentioned that he has had a couple of complaints of slipping on ice on the sidewalks. He just wanted to remind everyone that businesses are responsible to salt the sidewalks in front of their businesses, not the City.

City Council went into Closed Session at 7:35 pm for pending litigation discussion with Insurance Attorney White.

City Council Closed the Closed Session at 8:28 and moved back into open session.

18-042

**Moved by Schreiner seconded by Allen to approve appoint members Forbes, Moshier and for Allen to be an alternate for the mediation team.**

**Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, Vacant 0, Motion Carried**

Mayor Schreiner feels the mediation team needs to have some authority at mediation. Members had discussion and feel the team knows the City's financial standing and feel they all will make the right decision for the city. All are aware they will have the final approval once the decision has been made and that it will be brought back to council for approval.

18-043

**Moved by Allen seconded by Moshier to give the mediation team the latitude to make a decision for council at mediation.**

**Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, Vacant 0, Motion Carried**

## **XIII. Council Member Comments**

Council Member Moshier asked on the Cemetery meeting minutes.

City Manager Baum mentioned he had not received them and would check.  
Council Member Moshier also asked about the sinking man hole on Michigan Ave.  
City Manager Baum said he would look into it.  
City Manager Baum also mentioned complaints he has received on the Housing Commission Board.  
Council Member Allen asked on the city budget.  
City Clerk/Treasurer mentioned it is being compiled and would be brought to the next meeting for review.  
City Manager Baum mentioned the two open positions with the city had been filled.

#### **XIV. Correspondence**

- A. Grayling Charter Township letter on special assessment
- B. Thank You- Governor Rick Snyder

#### **Adjournment**

18-044

**Moved by Allen seconded by Forbes that the meeting is adjourned.**  
**Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, Vacant 0, Motion Carried**

Mayor Schreiner adjourned the meeting at 8:48 pm.

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Lisa K Johnson,  
City Clerk/Treasurer

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