

CITY OF GRAYLING
CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, July 22, 2019

I. Meeting called to order by Mayor Forbes at 6:00 P.M.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

Members Present: Karl Schreiner, Kimberly Hatfield, Roger Moshier and Heather Forbes

Members Absent: Clinton Ross

Vacant Seats: None

Also, in Attendance: Doug Baum, City Manager, Lisa Johnson, City Clerk/Treasurer, Kyle Bond, DPW Director, Erich Podjaske, Zoning/Econ. Development Director, Matt and Christine LaFontaine and Joe Smock.

IV. Public Comment

No public comment.

V. Approval of Agenda

19-78

Moved by Schreiner seconded by Hatfield to approve the agenda as presented

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

VI. Unfinished Business

None

VII. New Business

A. Emergency Well Repair

City Manager Baum explained the well failure and the need of the repair to be done quickly. He explained the city policy is to go out to bids if over \$20,000 but feels this is an emergency and if it is not fixed quickly and the other well fails it would not be a good thing. He asked council to waive the city bid policy.

19-79

Moved by Schreiner seconded by Moshier to waive the bid policy and approve the quote from Peerless Midwest for \$26,017 to repair the well #2.

Council Members asked DPW Director Bond questions on the repairs and how quickly it would be fixed.

Bond explained it was fixed in 2013 and the repairs would be done within a couple of weeks. He also mentioned this would be put on the capital improvement plan for both wells, so things are kept current and hopefully a failure will not happen in the future.

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

B. Military Contract Extension

City Manager Baum explained the State has requested to extend the contract for fire protection by one (1) month. The Value is \$73,808.25 which is the amount of the contract for one month less the capital amount in the original contract. He asked council to approve the additional one-month extension pending Grayling Townships approval as well.

19-80

Moved by Schreiner seconded by Moshier to approve the State of Michigan Procurement Contract Change Notice #1 Contract #511 190000000544 as presented.

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

C. PFAS infrastructure extension to Grayling Charter Township discussion

City Manager Baum explained a meeting is being held on Tuesday where the Guard is to give the public their decision of how they are going to take care of contaminated wells with in the City and Grayling Township. He mentioned three options they have put on the table in which none have come before the City Council to act on. He is asking that council form a position on them so he will know how council stands if asked at the meeting. He then explained the options they have put on the table:

- 1) Install deeper wells, below the clay layer, for all the affected homeowners
- 2) Install a municipal well for Grayling Township to own and operate.
- 3) Extend City water to the 14 affected homes.

Council members had discussion on the three options.

City Manager Baum asked for a consensus of the members on these options.

Joe Smock asked if he could speak on these.

Mayor Forbes mentioned he could discuss this under the next public comment.

Consensus of the members was they did not agree with option one (1); as going below the clay layer for deeper wells could then contaminate the good water.

Consensus of the members was they feel options two (2); was the best option and the township could maintain their own system.

Consensus of the members was they did not agree with option three (3); to extend city water to the affected homes. They don't feel the city system will support this with the current development happening within the City.

VIII. Public Comment

Joe Smock mentioned he would like to see the Township and City go to the meeting with a plan. He also feels that if the safe levels for PFAS get lowered by the State the number of residences to need water could be in the 200 number or higher.

Council members discussed how the city system could not support that many homes.

IX. Council Member Comments

Mayor Forbes thanked everyone for coming to the special meeting.

Member Schreiner asked about the containers in the City parking lot and when they would be moved.

City Manager Baum said he is working on that.

Member Hatfield asked about the camper at Smith and Maple

City Manager Baum mentioned Officer Paille is working on it and he hasn't heard back on it.

Member Moshier had no comments.

X. Adjournment

19-81

Moved by Schreiner seconded by Hatfield that the meeting is adjourned.

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

Mayor Forbes adjourned the meeting at 7:10 pm.

Lisa K Johnson,
City Clerk/Treasurer

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