

Grandview Plaza City Council

Met in Regular Session, August 16, 2011 at City Hall

Mayor Hall called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Present was Council-members Grant, Rider, Edison, Sacher and Rodney. Also present was Shirley Bowers, Roger Unruh, Jerome Thomas, Chief Clark, Calvin Pottberg, Gerry Bielefeld, Tim Schmidt, Officer Young, Patti Jo Whitten, Ryan Young, Melissa Hayes, James Smith, Patrick Flattery and Dan Seamons.

The Pledge of Allegiance was presented and the Invocation was given by Ms. Grant.

Rider moved to approve the Minutes of July 19, and July 26, 2011. Seconded by Rodney, Unanimous.

The 2012 Budget Hearing was called to order by Mayor Hall. Calvin Pottberg presided. The 2012 mill levy will remain the same 49,459 mills as was the 2011 budget. Property evaluation in 2010 was \$6,212,626 and increased in 2011 to \$7,833,667. Grant moved to approve the 2012 budget as presented, seconded by Sacher. Edison and Rodney voted for the proposed budget, Rider opposed. Motion carried 4 to 1. Grant moved to approve Ordinance 11-03, attesting to an increase in tax revenues for Budget year 2012 for the City of Grandview Plaza, Kansas. Seconded by Sacher. Unanimous.

James Smith and Patrick Flattery presented a request to the council for permission to re-plat 101 and 105 Byrd Street into one lot, to be able to tear down the existing 35 year old mobile home, and put a new home on the combined lot. Mr Unruh instructed Smith that they need to provide the city with a copy of the existing plat and the proposed combined plat. An Ordinance is also needed to present to the council at the next meeting, as recommended in the instruction sheet presented by Mr Unruh to Mr. Smith.

Jerome Thomas requested approval of a new pump valued at \$2705 for the pump house as discussed at the last meeting. He had had prior verbal approval from the Mayor, but wanted the blessing of the council for final approval. Rider approved the \$2705 pump purchase, seconded by Rodney. Unanimous. Jerome also reported mechanical problems with both fire trucks. One had an air line broken and has been repaired, and the other was taken for Salina for repairs. It has some wires pinched, causing defective lights, etc. Should be finished and returned tomorrow. Corey's Country Corral is planning to hold a benefit Saturday, August 27, 2011 with a motorcycle wash. Proceeds for the benefit will be donated to the Grandview Plaza Fire Department. School lights need repaired or replaced, but no cost estimated has been received yet. Solar lights are what is being used now, and Jerome will have prices for the next meeting.

Chief Clark distributed his monthly reports. He had done some research into the cost per citizen for taxpayers for Law enforcement in Grandview Plaza. That costs is averaged at \$115.92 per year per citizen. He invited each council-member to come visit with him, if there were questions on how these figures were reached. He also discussed some new services being implemented, such as counseling for officers, random drug testing and a physical ability testing for all new hires. These services will reduce insurance costs for the city. Outdated portable radios were discussed. Plans are to cut back to 3 radios, for the officers that are on duty. The camera systems in the police vehicles are out dated; Clark wants to sell the present ones for approximately \$3,000 trade-in. This money will be invested towards the purchase of a new encrypted camera system. This system is invaluable in police work, and provides protection for both officers and citizens. This is another insurance cost savings for the city. Grant moved to approve the 4 year \$23,600 lease purchase program, to be paid in \$781 monthly payments. Motion seconded by Sacher. Unanimous.

Rider moved to approve the July expenditures, seconded by Edison, Unanimous. Edison moved to approve the July Financial Statement, seconded by Sacher. Unanimous.

Gerry Bielefeld addressed the council to explain a report he had prepared on tax evaluations, proposed tax evaluation, the benefits of Geary Estates, franchise fees, sales tax, etc. This helped council members to understand the budget process a little better, and help them understand the future growth of Grandview Plaza.

At 7:35 PM, Rider moved to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, seconded by Grant. Unanimous. This meeting is to include Chief Clark. Edison moved to re-enter regular session at 8:15 PM. Unanimous. No action taken.

Edison moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:80 PM, seconded by Sacher. Unanimous.

Shirley Bowers, City Clerk.