

OFFICIAL CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR SESSION  
MARCH 4, 2024

A regular session of the Granite Falls City Council was called to order by Mayor Steve Nordaune at 7:00 p.m., Monday, March 4, 2024 in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Council Members present: DuWayne Galow, Brad Peterson, Joe Fagnano and Scott Peterson. Council absent: Sharon Pazi Zea. Staff present: City Manager Crystal Johnson, and Finance Director Neal Carstensen.

CONSENT AGENDA: M/S GALOW/B. PETERSON TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, WITH THE ADDITION OF 6B6 AFSCME, AS FOLLOWS: Minutes, Bills, Fire Department Report, Public Works Report, Correspondence and Meetings & Events. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

BRIDGE LIGHTING: M/S B. PETERSON/S. PETERSON TO APPROVE THE BRIDGE LIGHTING REQUEST RECEIVED FROM LARRY GIFFORD FOR RECOGNITION OF WORLD PARKINSON'S DAY #SPARKTHENIGHT ON APRIL 11. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT: Fagnano introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption approving of a Joint Powers Agreement with the city on behalf of its City Attorney and Police Department.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-30

RESOLUTION APPROVING STATE OF MINNESOTA JOINT POWERS AGREEMENTS  
WITH THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS ON BEHALF OF ITS  
CITY ATTORNEY AND POLICE DEPARTMENT

(Copy on file in city clerk's office)

With second by S. Peterson, the resolution was adopted unanimously by those present.

DISEASED ELM TREE REMOVAL: S. Peterson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption calling for quotes for the 2024 Diseased Elm Tree Removal Program.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-31

RESOLUTION SOLICITING QUOTES FOR  
REMOVAL OF DISEASED ELM TREES

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With second by Fagnano, the resolution was adopted unanimously by those present.

AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS: Bolton & Menk request council approval for the finalized plans and specifications, as well as authorization to advertise bids for the 2024 Airfield Pavement Maintenance project. B. Peterson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption authorizing calling for bids.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-32

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CALLING FOR BIDS  
2024 AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS

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With second by Galow, the resolution was adopted unanimously by those present.

RICE PARK: Following discussion, B. Peterson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption accepting the proposal submitted by Rodeberg & Berryman in the total amount of \$25,000 to provide design engineering and construction administration services for the Rice Park Restrooms Facility development.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-33

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PROPOSAL FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES  
RICE PARK RESTROOM FACILITY

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With second by S. Peterson, the resolution was adopted unanimously by those present.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Upon the recommendation of Police Chief Struffert, Galow introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption waiving calling for bids and accepting the state bid for the purchase of a 2025 Ford Police Interceptor Sport Utility vehicle with additional equipment in the amount not to exceed of \$54,932.94.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-34

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING STATE BID  
FOR PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLE

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With second by Fagnano, the resolution was adopted unanimously by those present.

AFSCME: Following Wage and Salary Committee recommendation, B. Peterson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption approving the ESST terms, Memorandum of Agreement, and the Grievance Resolution made between the City and the AFSCME union.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-35

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ESST  
MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AND GRIEVANCE RESOLUTION WITH AFSCME

With second by Galow, the resolution was adopted unanimously by those present.

ORDINANCE: M/S FAGNANO/B. PETERSON TO HAVE THE SECOND READING , AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTER 95, HEALTH AND SAFETY; NUISANCES, BY AMENDING ORDINANCE 95.020, INOPERABLE/JUNK MOTOR VEHICLES

ORDINANCE NO. 221, 2<sup>ND</sup> SERIES

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTER 95, HEALTH AND SAFETY; NUISANCES, BY AMENDING ORDINANCE 95.020, INOPERABLE/JUNK MOTOR VEHICLES and clarifying outdoor furniture.

Motion carried unanimously by those present. The Ordinance will become effective following publication.

NO MOW MAY: Tabled.

BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION: will meet April 11, 2024 - 6:30 - 7:00 p.m. at the Granite Falls City Hall Council Chambers.

ADJOURN: M/S B. PETERSON/S. PETERSON TO ADJOURN AT 7:23 P.M.

Steve Nordaune  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Christine Kleven  
City Clerk