

OFFICIAL CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR SESSION
AUGUST 17, 2015

A regular session of the Granite Falls City Council was called to order by Mayor David Smiglewski at 7:30 p.m., Monday, August 17th, in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Council Members present: Sarina Otaibi, Steve Schaub and Joe Fagnano; Scott Peterson arrived at 7:35 p.m. Council Members absent: DuWayne Galow and Steve Nordaune. Staff present: Finance Director Michael Betker and City Clerk Joan Taylor. Also in attendance were Police Chief Brian Struffert, EDA Director Justin Bentaas and Advocate Tribune News Reporter Scott Tedrick.

MINUTES: M/S SCHAUB/FAGNANO TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 3RD REGULAR MEETING. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

BILLS: M/S FAGNANO/SCHAUB TO APPROVE BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

Council Member Peterson arrived at this time.

REPORTS: The following reports were acknowledged at this time: Planning Commission, Police Chief and Granite Falls Historical Society.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Police Chief Brian Struffert was in attendance requesting council approve the purchase of a 2016 Ford Police Interceptor Utility vehicle and that the 2013 Police Interceptor Sedan be retained by the Police Department to be used by the School Resource Officer. Upon the recommendation, Schaub introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption accepting the state bid for the purchase of a 2016 Ford Interceptor Utility vehicle and additional equipment in the amount of \$28,961.44. Also requested is the following budget amendment to fund the purchase of this vehicle.

Account	Title	Original Budget	Amended Budget
411.42100.5026	Patrol Vehicle	\$ 0.00	\$27,500.00
411.42100.5030	Squad Car Equipment	\$ 0.00	\$ 9,500.00

RESOLUTION NO. 15-108

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING STATE BID FOR PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLE
AND AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, the Police Department is recommending that a 2016 Ford Police Interceptor Utility vehicle be purchased to allow the 2013 Police Interceptor Sedan to be used by the School Resource Officer; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended to accept the state bid for a 2016 Police Interceptor and additional equipment in the amount of \$28,961.44; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, accepting the state bid for the purchase of a 2016 Ford Police Interceptor Utility vehicle plus equipment for the Police Department in the amount of \$28,961.44; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED authorizing a budget amendment as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Original Budget</u>
	<u>Amended Budget</u>	
411.42100.5026	Patrol Vehicle	\$ 0.00
	\$27,500.00	
411.42100.5030	Squad Car Equipment	\$ 0.00
	\$ 9,500.00	

Adopted by the City Council this 17th day of August, 2015.

David Smiglewski
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor
City Clerk

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

PROJECT TURNABOUT: Council discussed correspondence received from Project Turnabout requesting placement of two stop signs adjacent to their property. Following discussion with Police Chief Struffert, M/S OTAIBI/SCHAUB TO HAVE STOP SIGNS PLACED AT THE INTERSECTION OF 18TH STREET AND 7TH AVENUE. Motion carried unanimously by those present. It was also recommended that the "Children at Play" sign be replaced as it is faded and hard to see.

REPORT: The EDA Board report was acknowledged at this time.

811 RLF: Upon the recommendation of the EDA Board, Schaub introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption approving the restructuring of a loan from the 811 Revolving Loan Fund to Donna Grieger that will allow for loan payments of \$100 per month for the next twelve months.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-109

RESOLUTION RESTRUCTURING 811 REVOLVING LOAN FUND LOAN -
DONNA GRIEGER

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 14-109, council approved a loan to Donna Grieger in the amount of \$5,000 from the 811 Revolving Loan Fund at an interest rate of 3% payable over 24 months to assist with the establishment of a food service business at Minnesota West Community and Technical College; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 14-171 council deferred the payment on the \$5,000 loan to Donna Grieger from November 2014 through May 2015 with interest only payments to be made of \$10.98 during this period with principal and interest payments to resume in May 2015 in the amount of \$241.91 per month thereafter; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 14-180 council approved an additional loan of \$5,000 for a total loan from the 811 Revolving Loan Fund of \$10,000 with an interest rate of 3% payable over 56 months with payments to be interest only of \$23.48 per month until May of 2015 at which time monthly principle and interest payments of \$241.91 were due; and

WHEREAS, Donna Grieger has requested to reduce her monthly loan payments to \$100 per month for a period of 12 months beginning August 18th.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, approving the reduction of Donna Grieger's monthly loan payment to \$100 per month for a period of 12 months beginning August 18, 2015.

Adopted by the City Council this 17th day of August, 2015.

David Smiglewski
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor
City Clerk

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

CITY OWNED PROPERTY: Also upon the recommendation of the EDA Board, Schaub introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption authorizing the sale of two city-owned lots in Highland Park to Eric Soine for the sum of \$3,000 contingent upon a written agreement containing a reverter clause stating that the townhomes must be built on the lots within five years and that the lots cannot be sold to another private party.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the EDA Board at its August 10th meeting recommended council authorize the sale of city-owned property described as follows:

Parcel No. 40-070-0275 – Lot 15, Block 2, Highland Park 1st Addition

Parcel No. 40-070-0280 – Lot 16, Block 2, Highland Park 1st Addition

to Eric Soine contingent upon a written agreement containing a reverter clause stating that the townhomes must be built on the lots within five years and that the lots cannot be sold to another private party; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended that the sale price be \$1,500 per lot for this property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, authorizing the sale of city owned property described above to Eric Soine for the sum of \$3,000 contingent upon a written agreement containing a reverter clause stating that the townhomes must be built on the lots within five years and that the lots cannot be sold to another private party.

Adopted by the City Council this 17th day of August, 2016.

David Smiglewski
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor
City Clerk

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

DOWNTOWN FAÇADE REVITALIZATION GRANT PROGRAM: Following discussion regarding the EDA Board's recommendation to increase the grant awarded to Karl Erickson, Otaibi introduced a resolution and moved its adoption approving an additional \$850 to the grant award to Karl Erickson which will allow him to hire an artist to complete a mural on the front of his building.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-111

RESOLUTION AMENDING AWARD FOR
DOWNTOWN FAÇADE REVITALIZATION GRANT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 15-50 council approved a Downtown Façade Revitalization Grant to Karl Erickson; and

WHEREAS, Karl Erickson has requested an additional amount of \$850 to bring his total grant to \$4,350 to be used to hire an artist to complete a mural on the front of his building; and

WHEREAS, the EDA Board at its August 10th meeting is recommending council approve this additional grant award from the Downtown Façade Revitalization Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, approving an additional \$850 to Karl Erickson to his Downtown Façade Revitalization Grant award.

Adopted by the City Council this 17th day of August, 2015.

David Smiglewski
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor
City Council

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

UTILITY BILL: Upon the recommendation of the Finance Director, Schaub introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption certifying to the Yellow Medicine County Auditor the delinquent utility charges for Parcel No 34-300-2007.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-112

RESOLUTION CERTIFYING ASSESSMENTS
FOR DELINQUENT UTILITY CHARGES

WHEREAS, Chapter 50, Section 50.05, Subd. H of the City Code authorizes special assessing delinquent utility bills; and

WHEREAS, the following property owner is delinquent for utility charges for the property listed.

Yellow Medicine County	Parcel Number	Service	Amount (not to exceed)
			\$
Mike Ellertson	34-300-2007	Utilities	1,463.55

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, certifying to the Yellow Medicine County Auditor the above assessment for utility charges incurred by the city.

Adopted by the City Council this 17th day of August, 2015.

David Smiglewski
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor
City Clerk

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

SALVATION ARMY HEATSHARE: Schaub introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption authorizing execution of an agreement with the Salvation Army to continue participation in the HeatShare Program effective September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-113

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT WITH SALVATION ARMY
TO CONTINUE PARTICIPATION IN HEATSHARE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 93-133, council authorized execution of an agreement with the Salvation Army to administer its HeatShare program which furnishes financial assistance to special needs residents with payment of residential energy bills through the combined efforts of the Granite Falls Municipal Utilities and the Salvation Army; and

WHEREAS, in future years council authorized execution of agreements with the Salvation Army to continue participating in the HeatShare Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, authorizing execution of an agreement with the Salvation Army to continue participation in the HeatShare Program as administered by the Salvation Army, effective September 1, 2015 to August 31, 2016.

Adopted by the City Council this 17th day of August, 2015.

David Smiglewski
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor
City Clerk

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

ASSESSMENT SERVICES: Council reviewed a proposal received from Steven and David Hammerschmidt, Rural Appraisal Services to provide assessment services for the city for 2016 in an amount of \$33,947.50. Following discussion, Peterson introduced a resolution and moved its adoption to accept the proposal received from Steve and David Hammerschmidt for the 2016 assessments.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-114

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PROPOSAL OF
RURAL APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR ASSESSMENT SERVICES

WHEREAS, a proposal has been submitted Rural Appraisal Services, Steven and David Hammerschmidt, to provide assessment services for calendar year 2016 in the amount of \$33,947.50; and

WHEREAS, every six years the assessor is required to value all exempt properties within the city and therefore for 2016 there will be 1835 parcels appraised; and

WHEREAS, the proposal is calculated by the assessment rate of \$18.50 per parcel for 1835 parcels.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, accepting the proposal of Rural Appraisal Services to provide assessment services for calendar year 2016 in the amount of \$33,947.50.

Adopted by the City Council this 17th day of August, 2015.

David Smiglewski
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor
City Clerk

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

VOLSTEAD HOUSE FOUNDATION: Council reviewed the work scheduled received relative to repairs to the Volstead House foundation.

TURBINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT: Council reviewed an update regarding to the Turbine Replacement Project.

SANITARY SEWER LIFT STATION: Council also discussed the update received from Stantec regarding the Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Project.

PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE: Council reviewed an update regarding the Pedestrian Bridge Project.

GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE: Staff advised council that the city has been notified that effective January 1, 2016 the city's group health insurance premiums will decrease by 2.5%. The city has also received a reimbursement check in the amount of \$38,726.83 in recognition of the favorable experience of our insurance group.

ADJOURN: M/S/P PETERSON/SCHAUB to adjourn at 8:13 p.m.

David Smiglewski
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor
City Clerk

BILLS PAID:

Total ADAMS MOTOR CO:	19.85
Total ADVOCATE-TRIBUNE:	509.95
Total ALMICH'S MARKET:	65.48
Total ALPHA WIRELESS:	41.60
Total AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC:	1,550.88
Total ARNESON DISTRIBUTING INC.:	392.60
Total ARTIC GLACIER INC:	271.87
Total AUS, NANCY:	50.00
Total BARR ENGINEERING CO.:	338.50
Total BEVERAGE WHOLESALERS INC:	502.00
Total BOLTON & MENK INC:	1,896.00
Total BORDER STATES ELECTRIC SUPPLY:	572.73
Total BRIGGS AND MORGAN:	4,500.00
Total C EMERY NELSON INC:	223.72
Total CENTRAL MN MUNICIPAL POWER:	166,208.40
Total CENTURYLINK:	1,960.11
Total CENTURYLINK-PHOENIX:	17.56
Total CITIZENS ALLIANCE BANK:	5,352.85
Total CNH CAPITAL:	182.35
Total DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP:	2,808.68
Total DAN'S SHOP INC:	15.88
Total DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY:	18,589.41
Total EXCEL OVERHEAD DOOR:	113.34
Total FARMERS UNION OIL CO.:	6,219.27
Total FINKEN, JIM:	493.56
Total G & K SERVICES:	84.73
Total GOPHER STATE ONE-CALL:	171.10
Total GRANITE FALLS BANK:	4,071.73
Total GRANITE TRUE VALUE:	114.06
Total GREAT PLAINS GAS CO.:	1,519.43
Total HAWKINS INC:	510.95
Total HD SUPPLY FACILITIES MAINT.:	135.64
Total HILLYARD-HUTCHINSON:	66.77
Total HOERNEMANN, PAUL:	255.00
Total ICS HEALY-RUFF:	1,250.00
Total JOHNSON BROS WHOLESALE LIQUOR:	7,524.70

Total KEELER-AUS, RAE ANN:	625.00
Total KEEPRS:	372.95
Total KOTEK, NICOLLE:	80.00
Total KRANITZ, FRANK:	325.00
Total L3 COMMUNICATIONS:	234.00
Total LEAGUE OF MINNESOTA CITIES:	99.90
Total LEE'S AUTO & DIESEL:	376.00
Total LINCOLN PIPESTONE RURAL WATER:	433.03
Total LOCHER BROTHERS:	12,494.70
Total MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT INC.:	231.68
Total MADISON BOTTLING CO.:	11,271.40
Total MADISON NATIONAL LIFE:	298.40
Total MCLAUGHLIN & SCHULZ INC.:	554.38
Total MEDIACOM:	55.29
Total MINNESOTA VALLEY TECH. INC:	78.50
Total MN DEPUTY REGISTRARS ASSN:	60.00
Total MN VALLEY COOPERATIVE:	1,048.09
Total MN VALLEY TESTING LAB INC.:	164.50

Total O & S CONSTRUCTION:	2,310.00
Total OFFICE DEPOT:	664.67
Total OLSON, ROGER:	909.70
Total OPDAHL, SHAROL:	281.84
Total PETERSEN, JODI:	362.50
Total PHILLIPS WINE & SPIRITS CO.:	4,047.34
Total PIGHT'S BODY SHOP:	661.90
Total PRENTICE PLACE COMMONS ASSN:	100.51
Total R.R. SCHROEDER CONSTRUCTION INC:	164,759.25
Total RECREATION SUPPLY COMPANY:	177.50
Total RED POWER DIESEL SERVICE INC:	54.16
Total REGIONAL DEVELOP. COMMISSION:	2,600.00
Total RYER PLUMBING & HEATING:	56.40
Total SHERWIN-WILLIAMS:	166.53
Total SMIGLEWSKI, DAVID:	37.46
Total SR PERSPECTIVE:	87.64
Total SVOBODNY, JENNIFER:	50.00
Total TIMM, DEREK:	3,352.50
Total TOSTENSON SEPTIC LLC:	225.00
TOTAL FILTRATION SYSTEM:	146.50
Total UNIVAR USA INC:	2,260.50
Total VESCO INC.:	52.49
Total VIKING COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO.:	193.00
Total WBM WINE & SPIRITS:	8,247.75
Total WESCO RECEIVABLES CORP:	622.01
Total WEST CENTRAL SANITATION:	747.06
Total WILLIE'S KORNER STORE:	10.00
Total XEROX CORPORATION:	37.10
Total YELLOW MEDICINE CO. AUDITOR:	510.00
Total ZEE MEDICAL SERVICES:	206.18

Grand Totals:	451,341.01
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