

OFFICIAL CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR SESSION
OCTOBER 5, 2015

A regular session of the Granite Falls City Council was called to order by Mayor Dave Smiglewski at 7:30 p.m., Monday, October 5th, in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Council Members present: DuWayne Galow, Sarina Otaibi, Steve Nordaune, Steve Schaub, Joe Fagnano and Scott Peterson. Staff present: City Manager Bill Lavin, Finance Director Michael Betker and City Clerk Joan Taylor. Also in attendance were EDA Director Justin Bentaas, Fire Chief Craig Opdahl and Fireman Barrett Eggebraaten, Carolyn Jackson and Advocate Tribune News Reporter Scott Tedrick.

MINUTES: M/S NORDAUNE/GALOW TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 21ST REGULAR MEETING. Motion carried unanimously.

BILLS: M/S NORDAUNE/SCHAUB TO APPROVE BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT. Motion carried unanimously.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Fire Chief Opdahl and Barrett Eggebraaten were in attendance to request council consider an increase in the per-call rate from \$12 to \$15 for each fireman responding to a call. Following discussion Nordaune introduced a resolution and moved its adoption increasing the per-call rate from \$12 to \$15.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-137

RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSAL
FROM GRANITE FALLS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Granite Falls Volunteer Fire Department is requesting an increase in the per-call rate from \$12 per-call per fireman to \$15 per fire call.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, approving the request by the Granite Falls Volunteer Fire Department to increase the per call rate for firemen from \$12 to \$15 per fire call.

Adopted by the City Council this 5th day of October, 2015.

David Smiglewski
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor
City Clerk

With second by Schaub, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

Also following discussion Galow introduced a resolution authorizing the Fire Department to proceed with identifying the equipment needed and deciding on a vendor and then to work the H-GAC for the purchase of a replacement vehicle for the 1988 rescue vehicle.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-138

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FIRE DEPARTMENT TO
WORK WITH H-GAC IN IDENTIFYING A REPLACEMENT RESCUE VEHICLE

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 13-129 council authorized execution of an Interlocal Contract for Cooperative Purchasing with Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) which is a National Municipal Association purchasing cooperative ; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department is requesting that the 1988 rescue vehicle be replaced and a new rescue vehicle be purchased through H-GAC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, authorizing the Fire Department to proceed with identifying the equipment needed and deciding on a vendor and then to work the H-GAC for the purchase of a replacement rescue vehicle.

Adopted by the City Council this 5th day of October, 2015.

David Smiglewski
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor
City Clerk

With second by Nordaune, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

Council also discussed the possibility of increasing the minimum charge for a fire call for those living outside the city limits from \$500 to \$750. Following discussion it was the consensus of council table this request for further consideration.

COALITION OF UTILITY CITIES: Carolyn Jackson with Flaherty & Hood was in attendance to discuss with council the proposed changes by the Legislature which could affect the city's electric generation tax base.

REPORTS: The following reports were acknowledged at this time Building Inspector, Fire Department, Kilowatt Community Center Board and Utilities Commission.

WHITEWATER RAFTING: Following review of the proposal received from John Anderson Architect LLC, Fagnano introduced a resolution authorizing execution of the

agreement with John Anderson Architect LLC to complete a Whitewater Rafting Park Study in the amount of \$20,000. Financing for this study will be \$10,000 from Granite Falls River Front Revitalization Group, \$5,000 city and \$5,000 EDA.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-139

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT
FOR WHITEWATER RAFTING PARK STUDY

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 15-130 allocated a donation of \$5,000 to complete the Whitewater Rafting Park Study contingent upon review and execution of a contract agreement; and

WHEREAS, John Anderson Architect LLC has a proposal to complete this study at a total cost of \$20,000; and

WHEREAS, total funding as follows: \$10,000 from Granite Falls Riverfront Revitalization, \$5,000 EDA and \$5,000 city.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, authorizing execution of contract with John Anderson Architect LLC to complete the scope of work as proposed at a total cost of \$20,000.

Adopted by the City Council this 5th day of October, 2015.

David Smiglewski
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor
City Clerk

With second by Schaub, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

WWTP: Following discussion and it being in the best interest of the city to expedite the replacement of the chlorine system components at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, Galow introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption waiving calling for quotes and accepting the quote received from Hawkins Water Treatment Group in the amount of \$17,000 to complete the replacement of the chlorine system components at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-140

RESOLUTION WAIVING CALLING FOR QUOTES AND ACCEPT QUOTE
FOR REPLACEMENT OF CHLORINE SYSTEM COMPONENTS

WHEREAS, as part of the cost estimates associated with improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant was \$40,000 to replace the chlorine dechlorinating equipment; and

WHEREAS, the following quote was received to replace the chlorine system components at a cost of \$17,000; and

WHEREAS, it being in the best interest of the city to expedite the replacement of the chlorine system components, it has been recommended that council waive calling for quotes and accept the quote received from Hawkins Water Treatment Group in the amount of \$17,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, waiving calling for quotes and accepting the quote from Hawkins Water Treatment Group in the amount of \$17,000 to replace the chlorine dechlorinating equipment at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Adopted by the City Council this 5th day of October, 2015.

David Smiglewski
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor
City Clerk

With second by Fagnano, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

LIBRARY: Council reviewed an email received from Laurie Ortega from Pioneerland Library System announcing that Larissa Christensen has been hired as the new Head Librarian for the Montevideo/Milan/Granite Falls Public Libraries. She will begin her duties on October 12th.

WWTP PHASE 1 IMPROVEMENTS: Council discussed financing of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase 1 Improvements. Following discussion it was the consensus of council to look at an increase in rates to cover maintenance and operation at the same time as financing for phase 1 improvements. Therefore, this matter was tabled until the next council meeting.

VOLSTEAD HOUSE FOUNDATION REPAIRS: Staff advised council that the site visit by the Minnesota Historical Society went well.

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

SANITARY SEWER LIFT STATION: Council was advised that the final inspection and closeout paperwork will be completed soon.

PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE: Staff advised that paperwork to close out this project has begun.

INDUSTRIAL PARK DRAIN TILE: Council reviewed and easement as recorded with Chippewa County regarding the sharing of costs for maintaining the drain tile in the Industrial Park farmland. Quotes are now being sought to replace the damaged drain tile.

CHARITABLE GAMBLING: A gambling license application was acknowledged at this time for the Granite Falls Lions Club to hold a raffle for the YME Wrestling Team. This application was acknowledged with no waiting period.

PERSONNEL: Staff advised council that Dan Hauger has submitted his notice of retirement effective Friday, October 16th after 29 years with the city. Following discussion M/S NORDAUNE/SCHAUB AUTHORIZING STAFF TO FILL THE POSITION OF ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT LINE WORKER.

ADJOURN: M/S/P NORDAUNE/SCHAUB TO ADJOURN AT 8:27 p.m.

David Smiglewski
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor
City Clerk

BILLS PAID:

Total 2XL CORPORATION:	120.81
Total ADVOCATE-TRIBUNE:	268.20
Total ALMICH'S MARKET:	41.32
Total ARNESON DISTRIBUTING INC.:	290.00
Total ARTIC GLACIER INC:	180.27
Total BARN RESTORATION SPECIALIST CORP:	37,407.00
Total BARR ENGINEERING CO.:	6,346.00
Total BATTERIES PLUS:	218.16
Total BEVERAGE WHOLESALERS INC:	535.50
Total BORDER STATES ELECTRIC SUPPLY:	790.42
Total BROTHERS FIRE PROTECTION CO:	98.00
Total CENTURYLINK:	162.20
Total CENTURYLINK-PHOENIX:	16.44
Total CHIPPEWA COUNTY:	14,287.98
Total CITIZENS ALLIANCE BANK:	30.00
Total COLLECTION BUREAU:	20.51
Total CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU:	5,381.79
Total CREATIVE FORMS & CONCEPT:	412.41
Total D & L PROPERTIES:	400.00
Total DAKOTA MAILING AND SHIPPING EQUIP.:	240.00
Total DAN'S SHOP INC:	5.95
Total DAVIS TYPEWRITER CO:	2.68
Total DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES:	20,578.98
Total EARL F. ANDERSEN:	343.76
Total ELLINGBOE, BRAD:	350.00

Total EMERGENCY AUTOMOTIVE TECHINC:	2,484.82
Total FARMERS UNION OIL CO.:	3,080.64
Total FERGUSON WATERWORKS SUPPLY:	123.23
Total G & K SERVICES:	84.73
Total GOPHER:	267.93
Total GOPHER STATE ONE-CALL:	110.20
Total GRANITE FALLS AUTO PARTS:	109.43
Total GRANITE TRUE VALUE:	972.83
Total HAWKINS INC:	1,415.58
Total HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS:	90.02
Total HENLE PRINTING COMPANY:	1,032.98
Total HOERNEMANN, PAUL:	255.00
Total HOLMSTROM & KVAM:	1,004.28
Total JOHNSON BROS WHOLESALE LIQUOR:	2,874.76
Total KOTEK, NICOLLE:	120.00
Total KRANITZ, FRANK:	325.00
Total LAVIN, WILLIAM P.:	207.30
Total LIGHT FUND:	36,690.26
Total LINCOLN PIPESTONE RURAL WATER:	225.66
Total LOCHER BROTHERS:	9,859.45
Total MADISON BOTTLING CO.:	5,108.95
Total MARCO:	105.08
Total MERCURY PAYMENT SYSTEMS:	1,895.27
Total MINNESOTA VALLEY SERVICES LLC:	69.44
Total MN DEPT OF REVENUE:	28,753.00
Total MN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES ASSN:	4,225.47
Total MN NCPERS-496000:	80.00
Total MN SECRETARY OF STATE:	120.00
Total MN STATE FIRE CHIEFS ASSN:	1,250.00

Total MN VALLEY TESTING LAB INC.:	263.50
Total MOSS & BARNETT:	511.50
Total MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES:	1,835.40
Total MVTV:	362.70
Total NIELSEN, BETSY:	126.00
Total OFFICE DEPOT:	149.93
Total PETERSEN, JODI:	362.50
Total PHILLIPS WINE & SPIRITS CO.:	5,186.48
Total POSITIVE PROMOTIONS INC:	290.60
Total POSTMASTER:	800.00
Total PROJECT TURNABOUT:	11,556.94
Total RICE LAKE CONSTRUCTION GROUP:	1,440.00
Total RODEBERG & BERRYMAN INC.:	12,929.41
Total SAND, KRIS:	50.00
Total SAVARIEGO, PRICILLA:	8.42
Total SCHEWE, THOMAS:	40.43
Total SENTRY SYSTEMS INC:	100.36
Total SHRED-IT USA:	35.90
Total SIOUX VALLEY WIRELESS:	19.95
Total SMIGLEWSKI, DAVID:	260.77
Total SNORTUM'S NURSERIES INC.:	104.00
Total SOUTHERN WINE & SPIRITS OF MN:	1,538.52
Total SVOBODNY, JENNIFER:	60.00
Total SW-WC SERVICE COOPERATIVES:	31,648.00
Total TOSTENSON SEPTIC LLC:	525.00
Total USC PROPANE:	2,002.76
Total VANCO SERVICES:	30.25
Total VERIZON WIRELESS LERT B:	200.00
Total VESSCO INC.:	432.55
Total VIKING COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO.:	290.00
Total VISA:	941.26
Total WBM WINE & SPIRITS:	5,861.20
Total WIDSETH SMITH NOLTING & ASSC.:	18,499.10

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Total WILLIE'S KORNER STORE:

221.09

Total YELLOW MEDICINE CO.AUDITOR:

9,563.52

Grand Totals:

299,717.73