

OFFICIAL CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR SESSION  
MAY 6, 2019

A regular session of the Granite Falls City Council was called to order by Mayor Smiglewski at 7:00 p.m., Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Council Members present: DuWayne Galow, Sarina Otaibi, Steve Nordaune, Brad Peterson, Joe Fagnano and Scott Peterson. Staff present: City Manager Crystal Johnson, Finance Director Neal Carstensen and City Clerk Joan Taylor. Also in attendance were Police Chief Brian Struffert and newly hired Police Officer Marcus Bruflat, numerous Firemen, Members of a Book Club, Ashley Johnson from Countryside Public Health, Terri Dinesen and Mary Gillespie and Advocate Tribune News Reporter Noah Lusti.

CONSENT AGENDA: M/S/P NORDAUNE/B. PETERSON TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS FOLLOWS: Minutes, Bills, Building Inspector, Fire Department Report, Public Works and Meetings & Events.

POLICE: Police Chief Brian Struffert was in attendance to introduce the new Police Officer Marcus Bruflat.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Fire Chief Craig Opdahl and numerous firemen were in attendance to award black helmets to four new firemen: Derrick Grund, Nathan Stewart, Jarred Bakken and Tim McRae. He also thanked the two retiring firemen, Dan Walters and Dustin McCaleb for their years of service.

Fire Chief Opdahl and Fireman Kevin Jensvold asked council approval of a donation to the city from the Upper Sioux Community. Following discussion M/S NORDAUNE/GALOW TO ACCEPT THE DONATION FROM THE UPPER SIOUX COMMUNITY TO THE GRANITE FALLS FIRE DEPARTMENT. Motion carried unanimously.

VOLSTEAD HOUSE: Terri Dinesen and Mary Gillespie were in attendance to discuss the Request for Proposals concerning art work at the Volstead House as part of the Heritage Partnership Program. Following discussion M/S/NORDAUNE/GALOW TO APPROVE THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE RFP RECEIVED FROM TAMARA ISFELD FOR THIS PROJECT. Motion carried unanimously.

Also following discussion M/S NORDAUNE/B. PETERSON TO ADD THE GRANITE FALLS HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO THE CITY LIABILITY INSURANCE. Motion carried unanimously.

BARBER CIRCLE/DANIELS DRIVE: City Engineer Amborn was in attendance to discuss Change Order #1 to the contract for construction of Barber Circle/Daniels Drive to add subsurface edge drains below the proposed road base due to wet soils for a total increase in the contract of \$30,724.50. Following discussion, Galow introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption authorizing execution of Change Order No. 1 to the contract with Quam Construction.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF  
CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 – BARBER CIRCLE/DANIELS DRIVE

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 18-103 council accepted the bid submitted by Quam Construction in the total amount of \$635,549.70 for construction of Barber Circle/Daniels Drive; and

WHEREAS, due to wet soil conditions, the city engineer has submitted Change Order #1 to add subsurface edge drain below the proposed road base in the amount of \$30,724.50.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, authorizing execution of Change Orders #1 to add the subsurface edge drain below the proposed road base at a cost of \$30,724.50.

Adopted by the City Council this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019.

David Smiglewski  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor  
City Clerk

With second by S. Peterson, the resolution was adopted by the following vote: Aye: Galow, Otaibi, Smiglewski, B. Peterson, Fagnano and S. Peterson. Nay: Nordaune.

LENDING LIBRARY: Members of a book club were in attendance to request permission from the city to place a Lending Library on city property at the corner of Prentice and 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue in memory of Liz DeBlicek. Following discussion M/S NORDAUNE/B. PETERSON AUTHORIZING THE BOOK CLUB TO PLACE THE LENDING LIBRARY AT THE CORNER OF PRENTICE STREET AND 9<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE. Motion carried unanimously.

2018 STREET/UTILITY ASSESSMENTS: Jodi Landgaard from MnWest Community and Technical College requested council abate the interest on the 2018 assessment for the street and utility improvements. Following discussion, Nordaune introduced a resolution and moved its adoption agreeing to abate the interest that has accrued if the full assessment is paid by May 15, 2019.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-65

RESOLUTION APPROVING ABATEMENT OF INTEREST  
ON 2018 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 18-80 council adopted the final assessment role for the 2018 Street/Utility Improvement Program which included assessments on property located at 1593 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the owner of property located at 1593 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue has asked for an abatement of the interest accrued on the assessment if they pay the assessment in full by May 15, 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, approving the abatement of the interest accrued on the 2018 assessment on property located at 1593 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue (Parcel #34-033-3160) Minnesota West Community and Technical College if the assessment is paid in full by May 15, 2019.

Adopted by the City Council this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019.

David Smiglewski  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor  
City Clerk

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

TOBACCO ORDINANCE: Ashley Johnson from Countryside Public Health presented to council changes recommended to the city's tobacco ordinance. She also discussed a Clean Indoor Air Ordinance they are recommending council adopt. After discussions concerning both ordinances it was the consensus of council to review in more depth some of the provisions in the ordinances.

REPORTS: The Kilowatt Community Center Board and Utilities Commission reports were acknowledged at this time.

APPOINTMENTS: M/S NORDAUNE/S. PETERSON TO APPOINT KENTON JOHNSON TO THE AIRPORT COMMISSION. Motion carried unanimously.

MEMORIAL PARK: MnDOT has approved the placement of the Pedestrian Crosswalk Flasher System adjacent to Memorial Park as part of Phase 1 improvements. Galow introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption authorizing execution of the Cooperative Construction Agreement between the city and the state wherein the city agrees to ownership and maintenance of the Crosswalk Flasher System.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 19-66

#### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF COOPERATIVE CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, part of Phase 1 Improvements to Memorial Park included a Pedestrian Crosswalk Flashing System; and

WHEREAS, the state has approved the construction of this crossing; and

WHEREAS, the state has submitted an agreement (MnDOT Contract No: 1033251) between the state and city that will allow the city to provide ownership and maintenance of the new Pedestrian Crosswalk Flasher System.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, authorizing execution of the Cooperative Construction Agreement between the state and city regarding the Pedestrian Crosswalk Flasher System to be installed across Highway 67.

Adopted by the City Council this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019.

David Smiglewski  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor  
City Clerk

With second by Nordaune, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

CITY CHARTER: B. Peterson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption calling for a public hearing to receive citizen input regarding the amendments to the City Charter; said hearing to be held May 20, 2019 at 7:15 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-67

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR PUBLIC HEARING TO OBTAIN CITIZEN COMMENT  
ON AMENDMENTS TO CITY CHARTER

WHEREAS, pursuant to Court Order of May 24, 2018 a Charter Commission was established to review and recommend changes to the City Charter; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has now completed its review and pursuant to MN Statute a public hearing must be held to receive citizen comments on the recommended changes to the City Charter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, calling for a public hearing regarding the recommended changes to the City Charter; said hearing to be held on Monday, May 20, 2019 at 7:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

Adopted by the City Council this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019.

David Smiglewski  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor  
City Clerk

With second by Nordaune, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

DISTRIBUTED ENERGY PROCESS: Upon the recommendation of the Utilities Commission, Nordaune introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption adopting the new Distributed Energy Process as prepared by Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-68

RESOLUTION ADOPTING NEW DISTRIBUTED ENERGY PROCESS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 15-159 council adopted the Interconnection Process and Requirements; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association in partnership with Starr Energy has revised and updated the Interconnection Process; and

WHEREAS, the Utilities Commission is recommending council adopt the new Distributed Energy Process as presented.

NOW, THEREFORE, BT IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, adopting the new Distributed Energy Process as presented.

Adopted by the City Council this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019.

David Smiglewski  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor  
City Clerk

With second by Galow, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

Following adoption of the Distributed Energy Process, Nordaune introduced a resolution appointing the Utilities Commission to be the authoritative board to handle the distribution process, any issues that arise and to complete the yearly reports.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-69

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AUTHORITATIVE BOARD  
FOR DISTRIBUTED ENERGY PROCESS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 19-69 council adopted the new Distributed Energy Resource Interconnection Process; and

WHEREAS, as part of this process council needs to designate the authoritative board that will consider issues or complaints that arise and will complete yearly reports as needed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, appointing the Utilities Commission as the authoritative board relative to the Distributed Energy Process to hear issues or complaints and complete yearly reports as needed.

Adopted by the City Council this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019.

David Smiglewski  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor  
City Clerk

With second by B. Peterson, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

AIRPORT: Nordaune introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption authorizing execution of the Airport Maintenance and Operation Grant Contract with the state.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-70

AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION AIRPORT MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION GRANT  
CONTRACT

It is resolved by the City of Granite Falls as follows:

1. That the state of Minnesota Contract Number 1033492,

"Airport Maintenance and Operation Grant Contract," at the

Granite Falls Municipal Airport is accepted.

2. That the David Smiglewski, Mayor and Crystal Johnson, City Manager are

authorized to execute this Contract and any amendments on behalf of the

**City of Granite Falls.**

#### **CERTIFICATION**

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF YELLOW MEDICINE

I certify that the above Resolution is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Granite Falls at an authorized meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019, as shown by the minutes of the meeting in my possession.

Signature: Joan M. Taylor, City Clerk

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

MEMORIAL PARK: Nordaune introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption authorizing execution of a contract for professional services with the Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission to assist the city with grant writing for Phase 4 Improvements to Memorial Park in an amount not to exceed \$6,600.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 19-71

#### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR PHASE 4 – MEMORIAL PARK GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission has submitted a proposal to provide professional services to assist the city with a grant from the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission administered through the Department of Natural Resources in the amount of \$6,400 and \$200 for mileage and supplies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, INNESOTA, authorizing execution of a contract with Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission in an amount not to exceed \$6,600 to provide services to assist with grant writing for Phase 4 Memorial Park Improvements.

Adopted by the City Council this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019.

David Smiglewski  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor  
City Clerk

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

FINANCE: Upon the recommendation of the city auditors, B. Peterson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption approving transfers of city funds from the General Fund to the Capital Improvements Fund as follows:

Excess Revenue over Expenses (2018)	\$56,000
Excess Flood Funds (2018)	\$40,000

RESOLUTION NO. 19-72

RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFERS OF CITY FUNDS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, authorizing the transfer of the following amounts from the General Fund into the Capital Improvements Fund.

Excess Revenue over Expenses (2018)	\$56,000
Excess Flood Funds (2018)	\$40,000

Adopted by the City Council this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019.

David Smiglewski  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor  
City Clerk

With second by Nordaune, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

HIGHWAY 23 PROJECT: Mayor Smiglewski requested council formally request MnDOT review its decision not to put a left-turn lane at County Road 39. Following discussion, Galow introduced a resolution and moved its adoption requesting MnDOT add a left-turn lane at County Road 39 as part of the Trunk Highway 23 Project.



RESOLUTION NO. 19-73

RESOLUTION REQUESTING MnDOT TO CONSTRUCT A  
LEFT-TURN LANE AT THE JUNCTION OF TRUNK HIGHWAY 23 AND CSAH 39

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) will be undertaking extensive repairs to Trunk Highway 23 between Granite Falls and Cottonwood during 2020, including resurfacing, bridge replacement and intersection redesign and improvements in Granite Falls; and

WHEREAS, MnDOT, as a part of the Trunk Highway 23 project in 2020 will be adding left-turn lanes at several locations; and

WHEREAS, the skewed intersection of Trunk Highway 23 and CSAH 39, approximately three miles south of Granite Falls, is the access to the Granite Falls Municipal Airport and the Fagen Fighters World War II Museum; and

WHEREAS, the intersection of TH 23 and CSAH 39 is the location of many left-turn traffic movements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA, does hereby request that MnDOT add the construction of left-turn lane at the intersection of TH 23 and CSAH 39 south of Granite Falls during the TH 23 construction project in 2020.

David Smiglewski  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor  
City Clerk

With second by Nordaune, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

**WATER TOWER DESIGN:** Following discussion concerning the painting of the large water tower, M/S NORDAUNE/B. PETERSON TO PAINT IT THE SAME AS THE SMALL WATER TOWER. Motion carried unanimously.

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS:** Consensus of council was to finish the installation of the acoustical panels in the Council Chambers.

**CHARITABLE GAMBLING LICENSE:** A charitable gambling license application was acknowledged at this time with no waiting period for the YME Dance Team to hold its annual raffle.

ADJOURN: M/S NORDAUNE/S. PETERSON TO ADJOURN at 8:22 p.m.

David Smiglewski  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor  
City Clerk

**BILLS PAID:**

Total 2XL CORPORATION:	246.56
Total ABDO EICK & MEYERS:	2,491.00
Total AIRNAV LLC:	20.00
Total AMERICAN PUBLIC POWER ASS'N.:	2,157.00
Total AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC:	338.74
Total ANDERSON, CHRIS:	51.00
Total ANDERSON, KOLTEN:	89.02
Total ARTIC GLACIER INC:	160.11
Total BACKES TECHNOLOGY SERVICES INC:	162.50
Total BART'S PLACE:	15.00
Total BERGESON, DAWN:	700.00
Total BEVERAGE WHOLESALERS:	594.95
Total BORDER STATES ELECTRIC SUPPLY:	5,597.15
Total BREAKTHRU BEVERAGE:	5,280.99
Total BREDEKEN, HEATHER:	400.00
Total BROTHERS FIRE PROTECTION CO:	420.00
Total BUESING AG PARTNERSHIP:	2,640.00
Total C & C MAGNET:	304.00
Total CENTRAL MN MUNICIPAL POWER:	121,833.29
Total CENTURYLINK:	2,028.01
Total CHAPPELL CENTRAL:	647.34
Total CHIPPEWA COUNTY:	17,799.22
Total CINTAS:	158.81
Total CITIZENS ALLIANCE BANK:	30.00
Total CNH CAPITAL:	460.70
Total COCARD:	129.99
Total COLLECTION BUREAU:	30.00
Total CORE & MAIN:	156.65
Total DAMON FARBER LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS:	1,267.50
Total DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY:	14,623.09
Total DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES:	18,932.48
Total DRIVER & VEHICLE SERVICES:	81.25
Total DUININCK BROS. INC.:	1,111.50
Total EMCH, RICHARD:	244.50
Total FERGUSON WATERWORKS SUPPLY:	1,084.27
Total FRENCH GLASS & SPECIALTY:	4,761.00
Total GALLS INC.:	612.03
Total GOPHER STATE ONE-CALL:	52.65
Total GRAINGER INC, WW:	205.44
Total GRANITE FALLS AUTO PARTS:	482.28
Total GRANITE FALLS HEALTH:	210.00
Total GRANITE FALLS, CITY OF:	758.88
Total GRANITE FLORAL:	182.00
Total GRANITE HARDWARE:	1,726.97
Total GRAYMONT CAPITAL INC:	1,829.19
Total HAWKINS INC:	3,248.08

Total HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS:	83.24
Total HOERNEMANN, PAUL:	50.00
Total I C M A:	639.60
Total IRBY:	152.32
Total JOHNSON BROS WHOLESALE LIQUOR:	4,835.60
Total JOHNSON, CRYSTAL:	207.64
Total LIGHT FUND:	37,859.76
Total LINCOLN PIPESTONE RURAL WATER:	47.85
Total LLOYD SECURITY INC:	181.96
Total LOCATORS & SUPPLIES:	98.72
Total LOCHER BROTHERS:	16,835.80
Total LVC COMPANIES:	885.00
Total MADISON BOTTLING CO.:	18,637.13
Total MARCO TECHNOLOGIES LLC:	741.97
Total MARSHALL NORTHWEST PIPE:	142.08
Total MARTIN TRUCKING:	537.40
Total MEDIACOM:	69.61
Total MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL:	436.57
Total MN DEPT OF HEALTH:	32.00
Total MN DEPT OF REVENUE:	23,857.00
Total MN POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY:	1,850.00
Total MN RURAL WATER ASSN:	160.00
Total MN VALLEY TESTING LAB INC.:	251.00
Total MONEY MOVERS:	320.75
Total MVTV:	338.75
Total NALCO CHEMICAL CO.:	657.50
Total NCPERS GROUP LIFE INS:	48.00
Total NORTHERN BUSINESS PRODUCTS:	224.07
Total OFFICE DEPOT:	342.64
Total OFFICE OF MN.IT SERVICES:	56.08
Total OFFICE PEEPS:	180.35
Total OVERHEAD HOIST & CRANE SPECIALISTS INC:	689.00
Total PAR PIPING & FABRICATION:	89.50
Total PAUSTIS & SONS:	915.00
Total PETERSON, BRENDA:	1,180.00
Total PHILLIPS WINE & SPIRITS CO.:	4,366.45
Total PICHT'S BODY SHOP:	738.02
Total PIONEERLAND LIBRARY SYSTEM:	602.44
Total POSTMASTER:	1,000.00
Total PRENTICE PLACE COMMONS ASSN:	100.51
Total PUSH, PEDAL, PULL INC:	2,523.00
Total RETROFIT RECYCLING:	594.42
Total RODEBERG & BERRYMAN INC.:	23,723.00
Total SAWMILL, THE:	224.19
Total SCHWIETERS FORD OF MONTEVIDEO:	1,567.83
Total SHRED-IT USA:	50.72
Total SONUS INTERIORS INC:	4,945.00
Total SOUTHERN WINE & SPIRITS OF MN:	992.26
Total T & L WELDING:	1,785.00
Total TALKING WATERS BREWING CO. LLC:	225.00
Total TAYLOR, JOAN:	149.64
Total TIMM, DAPHNE:	199.34
Total TRI-STATE PUMP & CONTROL:	13,723.00
Total UNITED RENTALS:	3,829.00
Total UNIVAR USA INC:	13,327.36
Total UPS:	51.04
Total US BANK:	1,620.49
Total US FOODS:	559.68
Total USC PROPANE:	631.16
Total VERIZON WIRELESS:	5,782.32
Total VESSCO INC.:	90.02
Total VIKING COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO.:	205.80

Total VISA:	4,953.97
Total WEBER CONSTRUCTION:	19,837.40
Total WEST CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS:	368.92
Total WESTERN FEST:	40.00
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Total WILKENING, ZACH:	20.48
Total WOODS, KEITH:	250.00
Total XPRESS BILL PAY:	237.08
Total YELLOW MEDICINE CO HWY DEPT:	1,424.00
Total YELLOW MEDICINE CO. AUDITOR:	7,327.00
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Grand Totals:	448,054.57
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