

OFFICIAL CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR SESSION
September 18, 2023

A regular session of the Granite Falls City Council was called to order by Mayor Dave Smiglewski at 7:00 p.m., Monday, September 18, 2023, in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Council Members present: DuWayne Galow, Steve Nordaune, Brad Peterson, and Joe Fagnano. Council Members absent: Scott Peterson and Sharon Pazi Zea. Staff present: City Manager Crystal Johnson, Finance Director Neal Carstensen, and City Clerk Christine Kleven. Also in attendance: WTP/WWTP/HEPP Superintendent Chris Anderson; Representing CAIR: Dani Prados and Lyndsey Eckhardt; Dave Schueler; Paul Coyour; and Representatives from Sweetman Sanitation: Ray Sweetman, Shannon Sweetman, and Jonathan Sweetman.

CONSENT AGENDA: M/S NORDAUNE/B. PETERSON TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH 6B8 ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE UPDATE ADDITION AS FOLLOWS: Minutes, Bills, Financial Report, Building Inspector Report, Public Work's Report, Correspondence, and Meetings & Events. Motion passed unanimously by those present.

YME BANNERS: Dave Schueler requested approval to hang YME 5th grade art class projects in the form of 20 banners on Prentice Street and 9th Avenue light poles. The art work will be colorful, and contain positive and encouraging messages. M/S NORDAUNE/B. PETERSON TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED 5TH GRADE BANNERS AS PRESENTED. Motion passed unanimously by those present.

PRAIRIE FIVE RIDES: Paul Coyour presented plans for adding a restroom to the Prairie Five Rides garage. M/S NORDAUNE/ B. PETERSON TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED PLAN TO INSTALL A RESTROOM IN THE BUS GARAGE.

CAIR UPDATE: Dani Prados and Lyndsey Eckhart shared details about the Global Conference on Artist Residency Programs they attended in London. Blandon Foundation funds paid for the trip. Funding for sustainability, networking, contacts and resources for growing the program in our community were some of the takeaways. Many participants are interested in visiting our program for the innovative program created here.

WASTEWATER FACILITY PUMPS: Chris Anderson detailed needed repairs and presented quotes for the proposed equipment at the wastewater plant. Funding will be from the Sewer Fund. Following discussion Nordaune introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption approving the purchase of lobe pumps for the wastewater facility from Quality Flow Systems.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-114

RESOLUTION AWARDDING BID FOR

WASTEWATER ROTARY LOBE PUMPS

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

SANITATION HAULER LICENSES: Ray Sweetman requests consideration to start a new sanitation hauling business. Based out of Echo, he has 30 years of experience and is licensed and bonded with Yellow Medicine County. Following discussion Nordaune introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption approving the application for Sweetman Sanitation.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-115

RESOLUTION APPROVING LICENSE FOR
NEW SANITATION HAULER

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

1148 GRANITE STREET: The property has been inspected and 30-day notice sent to the homeowner requesting a plan for repairs.

CITY ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE: Neal Carstensen requested an authorization to upgrade to the newest version of the software called Connect. The current software is no longer supported and will not have the needed upgrades needed for payroll changes starting in January 2024. This upgrade was planned for 2025. Capital Fund will pay for this \$13,650 upgrade. Following discussion B. Peterson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption approving the accounting software upgrade as presented.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-116

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PROPOSAL FOR
UPGRADE OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE

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

2024 BUDGET: The following resolutions pertaining to the 2024 budget were acted on:

Introduced by Nordaune:

RESOLUTION NO. 23-117

RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSED TAX LEVY
PAYABLE 2024 AND CALLING PUBLIC HEARING FOR
GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR 2024

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

Introduced by Fagnano:

RESOLUTION NO. 23-118

RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSED
GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR YEAR 2024

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

Introduced by Nordaune:

RESOLUTION NO. 23-119

RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSED
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
AND ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGETS FOR 2024

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

Introduced by Galow:

RESOLUTION NO. 23-120

RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSED TRANSFERS
OF GENERAL FUNDS
TO VARIOUS CITY FUNDS FOR 2024 BUDGET

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

Introduced by B. Peterson:

RESOLUTION NO. 23-121

RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSED TRANSFERS
OF ENTERPRISE FUNDS TO THE 2024 GENERAL
AND AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION FUND

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

Introduced by Nordaune:

RESOLUTION NO. 23-122

RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSED 5-YEAR
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN
AND EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT SCHEDULE – ALL FUNDS

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

M/S NORDAUNE/B. PETERSON TO ADJOURN at 8:28 p.m. Motion passed unanimously by those present.

Dave Smiglewski
Mayor

ATTEST:

Christine Kleven
City Clerk