

**Grayson City Council
Special Meeting
September 16th, 2015
Grayson Fire Dept.
5:00 p.m.**

Call to Order

Mayor Steele called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

Roll Call

Present: Duane Suttles, Juanita Kennedy, Pearl Crum, Sudy Walker, Terry Stamper.

Absent: Pam Nash.

Pledge of Allegiance and Devotion

Jim Phillips led the devotion after the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Visitors

Delores Sarpas

Stray Cat Feedings

Mrs. Sarpas asked the council to create an ordinance to restrict the feeding of animals on property that the person feeding does not own. Mayor Steele if she would give him the name of person feeding the cats or a license plate number and he will contact the person personally.

Speeding on Rupert Lane

Mrs. Sarpas also asked for police to patrol the Rupert Lane area for speeders. She asked for the speed bumps to be larger. Councilperson Kennedy asked the humps to be painted. Jack Harper spoke as a resident of Rupert Lane and confirmed the traffic has increased incredibly since the opening of the new Ralph's Food Fair. He requested a traffic counter to be installed and he also expressed the dangers of the vehicles not obeying the stop signs and speeding. He and Mrs. Sarpas informed the council of the semi-trucks delivering to Ralphs and using Rupert Lane.

Air Pack Bid Opening

Councilman Stamper and Councilperson Kennedy opened the bids.

Volegohl Fire Equipment	\$149,436.00
Bluegrass Fire Equipment	\$140,528.00

Mayor Steele appointed the following committee to go over the bids with the Fire Chief and to hold a special meeting next Wednesday, September 23, 2015 at 5:00P.M. to present to council their recommendation,

Terry Stamper, Sudy Walker and Duane Suttles (advisory position)

Garbage Franchise Bid Opening

Mayor Steele distributed the Garbage Franchise bids to the council to open. He announced the following persons to serve on the committee: Mr. John Lands, Councilperson Pam Nash and Councilman Duane Suttles.

The special meeting will be September 30th, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

Tourism Presentation-Ken Beck

Mr. Ken Beck gave a tourism presentation of revenue gained by levying a restaurant tax up to 3%. The tax would be divided up for various activities. The Tourism plans to work with the City to use 50% the money to develop parks and recreation. Forty percent would be used to provide galleries, games for kids, party room and retro toys display area.

Other options for future development plans are for an outdoor amphitheater; drive in, geocaching trails etc.

Mr. Beck stated the last 10% would be used by Tourism for maintenance and upkeep of the facility. He believes a joint effort with both Tourism and the City being involved will only provide growth of the community.

Mayor Steele announced there will be a public hearing in October to get the public input on the tax. The council will then hold a special meeting to decide the issue.

Department Reports/Requests

Building Inspectors/Code Enforcement

John Lands was unable to attend the meeting due to training. He did issue a monthly activity report. The activity for the August was as follows: Three Planning and Zoning permits, Three building permits were issued and five notices of complaints were mailed. Mr. Lands also issued 7 electrical permits were issued.

ABC Administration

Willis Johnson was in attendance to answer any questions the council may have.

Emergency Management

Joanne Dunfee submitted her monthly activity report to the council. She stated the purchasing of a drone would not be feasible at this time. She also discussed the water shortage issue due to a down pump.

Request

Joanne distributed a list of equipment needed for the command center. The need of these items was discovered over the Labor Day weekend with the rally at the Jail. The total cost of \$4,244.00 would be split between Emergency Management, Grayson Police Department and the Fire Department. Chief McDavid stated he needed to look over his budget before he could determine if the funding is there. This is due to the mass overtime with the Mike Huckabee issue.

Motion: to approve the Emergency Management request,

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Pearl Crum, **Seconded by** Juanita Kennedy

Motion: To table the issue,

Action: Table, **Moved by** Pearl Crum, **Seconded by** Terry Stamper.

Motion passed unanimously.

Street

Chris Allen attended the meeting to answer any questions the council may have.

Fire

Chief Greg Felty provided the monthly activity report to the council. The department responded to 24 calls in the month of August. 15 of the calls were inside the city limits.

Police

Chief of Police, Kevin McDavid, was in attendance. His monthly report was distributed to each councilmember. His department responded to 1,311 calls with 7 DUI's and 273 citations issued.

Parks and Recreation

Mayor Steele stated it grant money may be available in the spring.

Mayor Steele asked each department head to have the monthly reports to the City Clerk by Friday evening before meeting.

Approval of the August 11th, 2015 minutes

Motion: To approve the minutes as presented,

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Terry Stamper, **Seconded by** Duane Suttles.

Motion passed unanimously.

1st Reading of 4-U Fitness Annexation

Reid Glass gave the 1st reading of the Annexation ordinance of 4-U Fitness property.

Motion: to approve the first reading,

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Terry Stamper, **Seconded by** Duane Suttles.

motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Attorney Glass distributed a copy of the nuisance ordinance. In the ordinance the issue of setting off fireworks is addressed. The only dates were not listed in the existing ordinance. He asked council to set the exact times and dates.

He took the recommendations of the council to amend the noise ordinance. He will present the amended ordinance at the next regular monthly meeting.

Executive Session

Motion: To enter into executive session

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Terry Stamper, **None seconded.**

Councilman Stamper rescinded his motion

Adjourn

Motion: To adjourn,

Action: Adjourn, **Moved by** Terry Stamper, **Seconded by** Pearl Crum.

Motion passed unanimously.


George Steele, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cindy Stratton, City Clerk