

Grayson City Council
Regular Monthly Meeting
August 9th, 2011
5:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Mayor Steele called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Ms. Nash, Ms. Crum, Ms. Kennedy, Mr. Suttles, Mr. Stamper, Mr. Harper,

Devotion

Nathan Queen and Jordan Shellaburger of Boy Scout Troop 133, lead the Pledge of Allegiance with Councilman Jack Harper giving the devotion.

Visitors

Don Cooke /Grayson Tourism

Mr. Cooke presented the 2011/2012 budget for Tourism. The total projected expense is \$128,654.92.

Motion: Approve the Tourism budget as presented,

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Ms. Crum, **Seconded by** Ms. Nash.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Other Activities of Tourism

Mr. Cooke also announced he had applied and was awarded an advertising grant in the amount \$ 27,000.00. He also informed Council of the achievements made in the last year.

- Kentucky State Fair Pride of the County participation
- Travel guides were published and distributed throughout the state welcome centers and local motels
- Cabin is now open year around
- Travel show participation in the tri-state area

Mr. Cooke asked the Mayor to be the person to draw the name for the Carter County Basket that will be at the State fair.

Keith Pacl/Pacl's Inc.

Keith Pacl presented the new draft of New Police Station This refurbished design was distributed to the Council. The roof pitch will be changed, to give more storage space. Also the option of metal roof was discussed. Mr. Pacl stated currently state approval is a 3 week process. Site work could be started during the waiting period from the state.

Motion: To approve plans as presented and not to exceed the price of \$600,000.00 for total construction cost.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Mr. Stamper, **Seconded by** Mr. Suttles.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Financial Option for Police Station Construction

Mayor Steele presented the council with 2 options to finance the construction.

- Option 1--\$625,000 10 year loan with quarterly payments of \$19,173.47. This will be a total payoff of \$766,938.80.
- Option 2--\$625,000 10 year loan with 39 quarterly payments \$14,050.26 and a balloon payment of \$266,564.44. The balloon payment can be refinanced at that time (making it a 15 year loan).

Motion: To approve Option #1, 10 year fixed rate, fixed payments of \$19,173.47,

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Mr. Stamper, **Seconded by** Ms. Nash.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Departmental Reports

Code Enforcement

John Lands gave the monthly report to Council. He discussed the various citations that had been issued in the last two months. An issue with bee hives and rabbits was discussed.

Police Department

Chief Ginter presented the Council with the monthly activity report. The report reflected 374 complaints answered, 20 arrests and 20 motorist assists for the month of July.

Fire Department

Fire Chief Felty spoke with Council. He stated the dive team had expanded and were acquiring a new dive trailer from Marathon for the price of \$1.00. The current trailer will be sold. The monthly report showed 45 runs in July, with only 21 being inside the city limits.

• **ENGINE 1**

Chief Felty explained Engine 1 (pumper truck) was still in the shop and hoped to be repaired in the next week. This Engine has been out of service for over a month. The City ordinance states if the truck is down, the Fire Department will not respond outside the city limits. Discussion was held.

Councilman Suttles ask the minutes to reflect the following: Due to Engine 1 (pumper truck) being down due to mechanical issue, the Fire Department is down to 1 pumper truck and is complying with the ordinance and will not be sending the operating pumper truck outside the city limits until the other pumper truck is up and running.

• **Fees for Services**

Council discussed the process of charges for fire department services.

Emergency Management

Mrs. Dunfee announced the 1 Call Now program will be up and running very soon. Currently 74 individuals are on the list.

Councilperson Nash commended the Emergency Management team, who responded with the Fire Department on a wreck with a family member of Mrs. Nash.

Administration

Approval of the July minutes

Motion: To approve the July minutes as presented,

Action: Approve, Moved by Mr. Suttles, Seconded by Mr. Harper.

Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes = 5, No = 0, Abstain = 1).

Yes: Ms. Nash, Ms. Crum, Ms. Kennedy, Mr. Suttles, Mr. Harper.

Abstain: Mr. Stamper.

(Councilman Stamper abstained due to being absent at the July meeting)

Mayor's Report

Grayson Gallery & Art Center

Dan Click and Mindy Woods asked the Council to support the Art Gallery shows. This would be from August to December. The amount requested is \$5,000.00

Motion: To support the gallery,

Action: Approve, Moved by Ms. Crum, Seconded by Mr. Harper.

Motion died due to a lack of vote.

A concern list was provided to council, reflecting the needs of the building that is hosting the monthly shows.

The list reflected all building maintenance and repairs. Council discussed the building was owned by Tourism and not the responsibility of the City Council.

Motion: To approve the money (\$1,000.00 per month) for the art program promotion.

Action: Approve, Moved by Mr. Harper, Seconded by Ms. Kennedy.

Councilman Suttles suggested to set guidelines for how money to be used on. He is supportive of the cultural activity, but wished to stay within our legal boundaries. The City Clerk suggested the gallery director to turn in invoices to be paid. This is how the City conducts business with the Little League.

Councilman Suttles suggested investing the monies in portable equipment. This will be able to be removed when the gallery finds a permanent home.

He suggested the following:

- The Gallery director find a alternate facility (a priority)
- City Council be supportive of their mission
- City Council to consider giving more support , once the gallery is in a stable location

Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes = 4, No = 0, Abstain = 2).

Yes: Ms. Nash, Ms. Kennedy, Mr. Suttles, Mr. Harper.

Abstain: Ms. Crum, Mr. Stamper.

- Councilperson Kennedy requested the Art Gallery committee attend next month's meeting due to questions she had.
- Councilman Suttles suggested the Art Gallery to be issued a p.o., the Mayor must approve the p.o. then the city will pay the invoice.

Motion: To donate \$5,000.00 to keep the Art Gallery open through December 31, 2011. These monies will not be used for building and ground repairs and improvement,

Action: Approve, Moved by Mr. Harper, Seconded by Ms. Nash.

Discussion was held on the display wall erection.

Amended Motion

Motion: Purchase Orders must be approved by the Mayor before the purchase is made, Invoices must be given to the City Clerk or the Treasurer to pay and all purchases must be tax exempt,

Action: Amend, Moved by Mr. Suttles, Seconded by Ms. Nash.

Vote: Amended Motion passed (summary: Yes = 5, No = 1, Abstain = 0).

Yes: Ms. Nash, Ms. Crum, Ms. Kennedy, Mr. Suttles, Mr. Harper.

No: Mr. Stamper.

Approval of Motion with Amendment

Motion: To approve \$5,000 to keep the Art Gallery open through December 31, 2011. Money will not be used for building or ground improvements. Mayor must approve P.O.'s before purchases are made. All invoices will be given to City Clerk/Treasurer to be paid. All purchases must be tax exempt,

Action: Approve, Moved by Mr. Harper, Seconded by Ms. Nash.

Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes = 5, No = 1, Abstain = 0).

Yes: Ms. Nash, Ms. Crum, Ms. Kennedy, Mr. Suttles, Mr. Harper.

No: Mr. Stamper.

Parks & Recreation Area

Council discussed the option of buying the land (Wm. F. Lewis farm) for Parks and Recreation Alliance from the Carter County Fiscal Court. Mayor Steele will address the Fiscal Court at next month's meeting.

Ordinances

1st Reading of the Code of Ordinance Supplement

Motion: To approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 07-2011.

Action: Approve, Moved by Mr. Suttles, Seconded by Mr. Stamper.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Animal Control Ordinance

Mayor Steele suggested the Council to adopt the Carter County Animal Control Ordinance. Council agreed.

Mayor Steele will have Attorney Reid Glass proceed with the proper paperwork.

Other Business

Smoke Free buildings

Mayor Steele asked the Council to consider passing an ordinance to have smoke-free businesses inside the city limits. Councilman Suttles felt the public buildings (city owned building) should be smoke free. He stated private business owners should have the right to decide if their business would be smoke free or not.

Annexation Petition

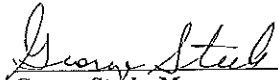
Mayor Steele announced the petition against the annexation on Interstate Drive has been filed with the Carter County Clerk as of last week.

September Monthly Meeting

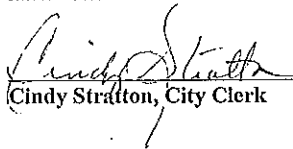
Mayor Steele announced he would not be able to attend next month's meeting. The City Clerk will call the meeting to order and the first order of business will be the Council appointing a voting member to lead the meeting.

Police Cruiser usage

Council discussed the questionable usage of home fleet. Mayor Steele will be addressed at the issue with Chief Ginter.


George Steele, Mayor

ATTEST:


Cindy Stratton, City Clerk