

**Grayson City Council**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012**  
**5:00 p.m.**

**Call to Order**

Mayor Steele called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

**Roll call**

Present: Ms. Nash (arrived at 5:15 p.m. due to work) Ms. Crum, Ms. Kennedy, Mr. Suttles, Mr. Stamper, Mr. Harper,

**Devotion**

Devotion was given by Jim Phillips after the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Visitors**

**Ray E. Johnson** 

Mr. Ray Johnson addressed the Council with the issue of Children's Art Studio in Grayson. He provided pictures of the studio. Hours of operation are from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mr. Johnson stated it would be at the discretion of the parents on how long the children would stay and if the parents stay or drop off the child. Children must be out of diapers. Fees for are broken down as follows: \$3.00 an hour, \$25.00 per day, \$100.00 per week and \$400.00 per month. Children must bring their food with them.

Mr. Johnson confirmed he will be purchasing liability insurance and all staff will be CPR and First Aid certified.

Mayor Steele stated the project sounded the on the borderline of a daycare, which would require state permits.

Mr. Johnson said the difference was there would be no babies, bottles, naptime or food services; it would be art projects only. Mayor Steele stated the city's goal is to encourage new business but at the same time it is the city's responsibility to the citizens to ensure the businesses are operating under the proper licensing and permits.

Councilman Suttles questioned the category the building would be coded use for. Councilperson Crum asked if the State Building Inspector had inspected the building for the described use. State regulations must be met for the safety of the citizens and children of the community.

**Motion:** To postpone the issuance of the business license until Mr. Johnson can provide the city with documentation that he does not meet statutory requirements by the state for any licensing and his structure meets the housing and building guideline for its occupancy, only the retail sale of art supplies in the front of the building.

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

Motion passed unanimously.

**Dan Click of Grayson Gallery and Art Center** 

Mr. Dan Click gave a Year-End report to the Council. He announced the Art Gallery has applied for a 501 (c) 3 status.

Mr. Click discussed the agreement with the Tourism Council. Hopefully the agreement will be signed on Thursday.

Mindy Woods Click announced the Gallery had received an award letter confirming the issuance of the \$10,000 grant.

The intent use of this grant will be to host music, creative writing, illustration drawing/painting and mural painting workshop for children, all based on the Grayson. A mural on the side of the old fire department building is planned also. The unveiling will be during Memory Days celebration. This will be a reimbursement grant.

**Code Enforcement**

**Monthly Report**

John Lands was absent at the meeting but provided a monthly activity report to the council.

**Building inspector**

Mayor Steele informed the council that Taylor Duncan will be the building inspector until John Lands becomes state certified. Mr. Duncan will perform the inspections for the exact price of the building permit.

**Police Department**

**Monthly Report**

Chief Ed Ginter presented the December report to the council. His department issued 180 citations, answered 390 complaints and made 44 criminal arrests.

**New Police Station**

The construction of the new station is coming along nicely. Framing is complete and the metal roof will be installed next week. The new larger bolts have been installed into the foundation as per State Inspector Ron Hampton.

Councilman Suttles questioned the issue of the sprinkler system. He had been told by one of the workers the system was not throughout the entire building. He also expressed concern about not having a list of the items to be used, (doors, windows etc.)

**Construction Contract**

Reid advised the Mayor and Council not to pay the \$149,400 invoice until the final design is presented.

**Motion:** To approve payment of \$149,400 to Pack Construction once the final design has been approved by the Chief of Police and John Lands.

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

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

**Yes:** Ms. Nash, Ms. Kennedy, Mr. Stamper, Mr. Harper.

**No:** Ms. Crum, Mr. Suttles.

Attorney Glass is to schedule a meeting with Pack's Inc. for Thursday.

#### **Street Department**

**Motion:** To declare the old lawnmower surplus and advertise for bids,

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

Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Recreational Park Meeting**

Attorney Reid Glass stated a meeting was held last night. County Attorney Flannery was absent. It was in agreement that the City would tender a proposal to the County Fiscal Court for the City getting involved with the development of the park.

#### **Fire Department**

Chief Greg Felty presented the final 2011 run report. The run activity for the month of December was 33 runs. The total runs for 2011 was 520, with 239 inside the city limits.

#### **Emergency Management**

Roger Dunfee, Emergency Management Director present the monthly activity report to council.

#### **Transfer request**

**Motion:** To approve the transfer money out of lodging budget line to dues line(\$10.00) and supplies lines (\$100.00).

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

Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Administration**

##### **Approval of December minutes**

**Motion:** To approve the December minutes as presented.

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

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

**Yes:** Mr. Harper, Mr. Stamper, Ms. Crum, Ms. Kennedy, Ms. Nash.

**Abstain:** Mr. Suttles due to being absent at the last meeting.

#### **City Attorney**

Attorney Glass presented Council with a rough draft of an amended ordinance relating to streets requirements.

#### **Animal Control Issue**

Mayor Steele told Council due to many complaints; an animal Control Ordinance must be created and enforced.

#### **Adjourn**

**Motion:** To adjourn;

**Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Mr. Stamper, **Seconded by** Ms. Kennedy

Motion passed unanimously.



George Steele, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cindy Stratton, City Clerk