

City of Grand Blanc City Council
Minutes of October 12, 2016

Present: Mayor Soderstrom Julie Nielsen Jamie Weasel
John Creasey Chris Douglas Paula Nas

Absent: Lisa Blondell

Staff: Wendy Jean-Buhrer, Bethany Smith, Barbara Hunyady, Brian Lipe, Matt Wurtz, Dianne Waterworth, Bob Burdette.

Guests: Paula Schmidt, Geric Rose, Boy Scout Troop 106, Heather Kuebler, Jenny Bockelman Mary Hall, Donald Fee, and others.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Soderstrom at 7:00 P.M.

1. Pledge of Allegiance. Led by Boy Scout Troop 106.
2. Oath of Office. – Councilman Jamie D. Weasel.
3. Audit Presentation – Heather Kuebler and Jenny Bockelman from Rehman-Robson presented the 2015 Audit.
4. Approval of Minutes. Motion by Nielsen supported by Creasey to approve the minutes of September 14, 2016 as presented. Motion carried.
5. Approval of Bills. Motion by Nielsen supported by Douglas to accept the recommendation from Finance and approve payment of September invoices in the amount of \$253,149.11. Motion carried.
6. Public Comment - none.
7. Communications - none.
8. New Business.
 - a) Request for Tree Sale – Boy Scout Troop 106
Jacob Sanborn attended the meeting to present the request to hold their annual Christmas tree sale downtown on Lou Blessing Plumbing and Heating property, a waiver of the fees for the temporary sign and open air business permit.

Motion by Creasey supported by Douglas to approve the request from Boy Scout Troop 106 to hold their annual tree sale and waive the fees associated. Motion carried.
 - b) National League of Cities Dues.
Motion by Nielsen supported by Douglas to approve the expenditure in the amount of \$1,117 for the annual membership to the National League of Cities. Motion carried.
 - c) Grand Blanc Lions Club – Request for Use of Physicians Park.
Mary Hall attended to present the request for use of Physicians Park on October 22, for a free kids fun day with activities including a bounce house and pony rides.

Motion by Douglas supported by Creasey to approve the request for use of Physicians Park by the Lions Club on October 22 for three hours with a bounce house and a pony ride on the asphalt path only. Motion carried.

Councilman Weasel reminded Mrs. Hall to coordinate with the DPW to ensure no utilities are disturbed with the placement of any ground stakes.

d) Committee Reports.

Finance

Motion by Nielsen supported by Creasey to accept the recommendation from Finance and approve the 2nd invoice from Eastern Asphalt for the local street projects in the amount of \$329,611.73. Motion carried.

Personnel

Motion by Nas supported by Creasey to accept the recommendation from Personnel and approve the October 12, 2016 Personnel Handbook. Motion carried.

DPW

Motion by Nas supported by Creasey to accept the recommendation from DPW and approve the development of a ROW permit for a City street closure. Motion carried.

Motion by Nas supported by Creasey to accept the recommendation from DPW to contract with Fleis and Vandenbrink not to exceed 2,200. Motion carried.

9. Other Business

- a. Police Department – Monthly report received and filed.
- b. DPW Director – nothing to report.
- c. Building Inspector's Report – received and filed.
- d. Fire Chief Burdette Report - received and filed. Chief Burdette reported that the Fire Department Annual Open House on October 9th from 12-3P.M was well attended.
- e. City Attorney Hunyady – nothing to report.
- f. City Clerk/Assistant City Manager – nothing to report.
- g. Finance Director/Treasurer. – nothing to report.
- h. City Managers Report - received and filed.
- i. Members of Council
Councilman Douglas and Creasey – the Grand Blanc Homecoming parade was a success thanks to the efforts of the Police Department, Fire Department and DPW.
Councilwoman Nas – Thank you to the City Manager for her efforts to work on Economic Development.
- j. Mayor Soderstrom - The City is hosting Small Cities & Villages at Aubree's, November 2nd at 6:30 P.M.

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Bethany J. Smith, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk