

**GROVE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY DECEMBER 5, 2023
4:30 PM**

The Grove City council met in regular session on Tuesday December 5, 2023, at 4:30 PM with Mayor Ed Trumbull presiding. Members present were Steven Thomas, Marty Dyer, and Ivan Devitt. Member Andy Stewart was absent. Also present was City Manager, Debbie Bottoroff; City Attorney, Darren Cook; City Treasurer, Lisa Allred; and Municipal Clerk, Laura Davila.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Debra Bowers, Post Service Officer of the Grove American Legion Post 178, presented the need for the Grove Veteran's Ritual Team's need for New Transportation. Bowers explained that The Grove Veterans Ritual Team is a voluntary organization of the American Legion members who provide military honors at the funerals of veterans. The Ritual Team is a non-profit 501c(3) corporation and the only income is from donation to cover expenses such as fuel and repairs. Bowers presentation lasted approximately five minutes.

Thomas made the motion to approve the minutes from the November 21, 2023 Regular Meeting. Seconded by Devitt. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve the Purchase Order Register. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor with Respect to Repealing and replacing Ordinance No. 829 to amend (lower) the Permit Fee for the construction of a Swimming Pool. Bottoroff reported in May 2023, Council approved Ordinance No. 829 amending the Guiding Permit Fee Schedule, and staff recently discovered the fee for "Swimming Pool" permits is above the industry average. Devitt made the motion to approve of an Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Ordinance No. 829 as discussed. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Devitt made the motion with Respect to approval of the Emergency Clause Pertaining to Item B.3 above. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor with Respect to a Sponsorship with the Lady's Bass Anglers Association (LBAA) to hold the Women's Pro Bass Classic Championship tournament at Wolf Creek Park on Grand Lake o' the Cherokees October 9-11, 2024. Convention and Tourism Director Malone reported that this is an all-women's Bass Fishing tournament that will be held through the week of Octo 9-11. This will be a weekday tournament starting on Wednesday and Final Weigh in on Friday. Devitt made the motion to approve the sponsorship with the Lady's Bass Anglers Association (LBAA) as discussed. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor with Respect to Approval of 2024 Annual Capital Improvement Plan for the Grove Municipal Airport. Bottoroff reported that this was an updated copy of the CIP with the corrections needed as discussed in the previous meeting. Devitt made the motion to approve of the

2024 Annual Capital Improvement Plan for the Grove regional Airport. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor with respect to approval of a Resolution Authorizing Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) to replace BFP: CITY BRIDGE IN GROVE OVER SPRING BRANCH CREEK ON E O'DANIEL PKWY 0.15 MI E OF MIAN ST NBS 19366, Project number J3-8448(004) CB, State Job Piece Number 38448(04). Bottoroff reported that ODOT received federal funding through IIJA-BIL and the Bridge Formula Program to assist with improving bridge conditions in the State of Oklahoma. ODOT has selected the bridge located on E O'Daniel Parkway over the Spring Branch Creek as one of their SD Bridge Projects. Devitt made the motion to Approve a Resolution Authorizing Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) to replace the bridge as discussed. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor with Respect to Consideration of bids received for financing the Lease/Purchase of the following equipment:

- a. Cold Planer (Milling Machine)
- b. Asphalt Roller

Allred reported that 2 bids were received, and each bid had 2 options of a 4 year or a 5-year term. Bank of Grand Lake bid 3.73 % and 3.73% respectively and Grand Savings Bank bid 5.10% and 5.75% respectively. Staff recommends accepting the bid from Bank of Grand Lake for the term of 5 years at the rate of 3.73%. Devitt made the motion to accept the bid from Bank of Grand Lake for the term of 5 years at the rate of 3.73%. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor with Respect to the Consideration of Bids received for the purchasing of the following equipment:

- a. Self-Propelled Construction Broom
- b. Asphalt Roller

Staff reported that two bids were received from Kirby Smith Machinery and G W Keppel Co. on both items.

- a. Self-Propelled Construction Broom
 - G W Van Keppel Co offered a bid of \$67,500.00.
 - Kirby Smith Machinery offered a bid of \$73,775.52.
- b. Asphalt Roller
 - G W Van Keppel offered a bid of \$119,500.00.
 - Kirby Smith offered a bid of \$130,545.98.

Devitt made the motion to accept the bid from G W Van Keppel Co on the Self-Propelled Construction Broom and Asphalt Roller. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor with Respect to the Approval of an Ordinance establishing a GMSA Septic Hauler Dumping Fee. Bottoroff reported that Water/Wastewater Treatment Plan Superintendent,

Aston York, has researched the industry standard and discovered the current GMSA fee is significantly higher than the industry average. In addition, there are no records indicating GMSA Trust ever established this rate via Resolution or council ever established this rate via Ordinance. Bottoroff added GMSA approved a resolution establishing the Septic Hauler Dumping Fee in their meeting today at 3:00PM. Devitt made the motion to approve the Resolution establishing a Septic Hauler Dumping Fee in the amount of \$30/1000 gallons with a minimum load of 1000 gallons. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve of the Emergency Clause Pertaining to Item B.9 Above. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

Bottoroff reported that staff had a positive meeting with Michelle Walker who spoke under Public Comments at a previous meeting regarding concerns about the softball fields located at the Sports and Recreation Complex. City crews will work together to complete the projects listed on the priority list prior to the start of the softball season, weather permitting and availability of personnel.

WARD REPORTS:

Trumbull congratulated Ivan Devitt on being name Grand Marshall of the Christmas Parade. Trumbull pointed out a traveling display that was done by Blue Thumb, an organization that is a branch of the conservation office. It is a fantastic teaching tool and will be displayed at the Grove Public Library.

Thomas complemented the city crews for their hard work on getting all the seasonal décor put up on the lawn and downtown.

Dyer complimented the City Crews on the Skating Rink and Canopy. He added that he was at an event at the skating rink over the weekend, and it has turned out nicely and is a great addition to our city.

Devitt agreed with the other members' comments on the Christmas Décor and Skating Rink.

At 4:53 PM Devitt made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.