

**GRANT COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
April 17, 2019**

The Grant County Council met in regular session on Wednesday April 17, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

1. Call to order

President Shane Middlesworth called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Prayer

Councilman Conner led in prayer.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Hix led the pledge of allegiance.

4. Roll Call

In attendance were Council members Mark Leming, Shane Middlesworth, Frank Hix, Mike Conner, and Jonathan Perez. Also present were Council Attorney Phil Stephenson, Chief Deputy Auditor Angela Jarvis, and Financials Deputy Stacey Stevens. Councilmen Mike Roorbach, Mike Scott and Auditor Jim McWhirt were not present.

5. Approval of Minutes

Councilman Conner moved to approve the minutes of regular session March 20, 2019 as presented. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 5-0.

6. Auditor's Report

President Middlesworth expressed Auditor McWhirt did submit the reports for the Auditor's report. President Middlesworth read from the reports submitted by Auditor McWhirt. The monthly financial statement and fund summary report there is nothing to report. The general fund balance reports: our balance remains healthy at this time in comparison to recent past years. The cash receipts-comparison of budget to actual: the local income taxes in the general fund will exceed the DLGF's 2019 projections because their projections did not include our tax increase. The cash disbursements-comparison of budget to actual: the additional appropriations approved for the Coroner and the Highway has been approved by the DLGF now. The cash flow analysis-property tax fund is a new report that Mr. McWhirt has compiled. It is intended to give a rough idea of cash flow expectations for the year for each of the property tax funds. These are rough estimates for the months that have not yet occurred and this will be updated each month. The health insurance fund: March expenditures are higher than any recent month but there is no cause for alarm at this time. The Treasurer's balance reconciliation continues to reconcile with our balances.

New Business

A. Superior Court II-Judge Dana Kenworthy is asking to fill a vacancy. The original vacancy was for a bailiff position; another staff has expressed interest in moving into that position, so the vacancy will be for the court reporter position. Judge Kenworthy would like to fill this position as soon as possible. Councilman Conner made a motion to fill the vacancy with whatever domino effect goes along with the filling of the vacancy. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 5-0.

B. Area Plan Commission-Larry Strange is asking to fill a vacancy. This vacancy is for a code enforcement officer/building inspector position. Mr. Strange expressed this vacancy will not be filled before May 1, 2019. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the filling of the vacancy. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 5-0.

C. County Extension Office-Kristina Goff is asking for retroactive pay for the office manager in the Extension office from January 21 to February 28, 2019. The total amount of retroactive pay is \$369.46. Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the retroactive pay as requested. Second by Councilman Conner; motion carried 4-1.

D. County Clerk-request removed from the agenda until a later date.

E. County Commissioners-Commissioner Mike Burton is asking for the following transfers: \$16,832.07 from postage to Pitney Bowes, \$1,500 from training to overtime/IT, and \$1,500 from contract to overtime/IT. Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the transfers as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Burton is also asking for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$14,800.00 to Preventative Maintenance and \$38,000.00 to Preventative Maintenance. This is for work done in the basement of the Probation offices and to replace the flooring and paint in all the offices. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the additional appropriation as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Burton is also asking for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$80,000.00 to CCD. This is to finish the upgrade in the county telephone system with IP phones. Councilman Perez made a motion to approve the additional appropriation as requested. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 5-0.

F. Grant County Council Rules of Procedure-Consideration of Amendments: Councilman Conner made a motion to approve resolution #1-2019. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 5-0.

G. Public Defender-Bruce Elliott is asking to fill a vacancy. This vacancy is for an investigator position and will be available approximately May 6, 2019. Councilman Conner made a motion to approve the filling of the vacancy. Second by Councilman Leming; motion carried 5-0.

H. Grant County Highway-Superintendent David White submitted the results of the bids he received from the loan for equipment and building for the highway department. Superintendent White has received approval from the Grant County Commissioners and is recommending Star Financial. The total amount of the loan is \$1,226,400.00 and is broken down as follows: Storage building for equipment \$250,000.00, (4) complete tandem snow plow dump trucks \$640,000.00, used grader 2010 to present \$200,000.00, used vacon truck (jetting and tile repair) \$100,000.00, and (4) new snow plows for dump trucks \$36,400.00. After a short discussion President Middlesworth expressed Superintendent White will need to come back at next month's Council meeting with an ordinance for Council to sign, and gave an ok from the Council to go ahead with the loan.

8. Old Business

None.

9. Reports, Resolutions, Communications and General Discussion Committee Reports

None.

The next Council meeting will be May 15, 2019 at 6:00 pm.

10. Adjournment

President Middlesworth adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m.