

Regular Council Meeting
of the City of Greenville
held in the Council Chambers
on Tuesday, February 9, 2010

Call to Order: The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order on Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 7:38 p.m. by Mayor Alan Gaffner.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Alan Gaffner, Councilman Will Boyd, Councilman Kenny Hampton, Councilman Matt Roadman and Councilman Roger Sanders.

Also Present: City Manager David Willey and City Clerk Sue Ann Nelson.

Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge of allegiance to the United States flag was recited.

Citizen Input: Mayor Gaffner opened the floor for citizen's input regarding any item that was not on the agenda. Bill Anthony of Anthony Excavating addressed the council concerning how contracts are awarded, and specifically the recent tree removal contract at the new public works site. City Manager Willey indicated it was the desire of the City to have uniform bid requirements to evaluate for jobs contracted out by the City.

Consent Agenda:

- Approval of minutes of the January 12, 2010 regular council meeting, and February 2, 2010 special council meeting;
- Approval of the minutes of the January 12, 2010 Tourism Committee Meeting and January 28, 2010 Tourism Committee Meeting;
- Approval of minutes of the February 1, 2010 Lake Committee Meeting;
- Approval of minutes of the February 2, 2010 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting;
- Financial Statements for January 2010;
- Approval of Accounts Payable totaling \$ 503,694.49;
- Approval of Administrative Reports of the Police, Public Works, Sewer and Water Departments, Building Permits and Code Enforcement Report.

City Manager Willey noted a change to the January 12, 2010 minutes to under New Business and the discussion of the request by the KPD for additional funding for the Fourth of July fireworks; to change

“electronic display” to “electronic triggering”. Moved by Sanders, seconded by Roadman, to approve the consent agenda with this one change.

Ayes: Sanders, Roadman, Boyd, Hampton, Gaffner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Leaf Burning:

City Manager Willey presented the results of an on-line and paper survey conducted concerning the current leaf program and a possible ban on leaf burning. City Manger Willey indicated that he was satisfied with the number of respondents and responses received to-date were not in favor to ban leaf burning. City Manager Willey indicated that the approximate 71/29 split to allow leaf burning has been consistent throughout the collection process. City Manager offered that while the survey results provide a good measure of community feedback, it should be utilized as a tool and that ultimately the council members elected that must decide the issue. The council heard from several residents regarding leaf burning, and after further discussion Councilman Boyd made a motion, seconded by Mayor Gaffner, to retain the current leaf burning program. Councilman Sanders added that the leaf vacuuming program has improved which has helped limit leaf burning, however there are properties within the city which are not subject to the leaf burning ordinance.

Ayes: Boyd, Gaffner, Hampton, Roadman, Sanders

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 2860
Granting Variance for
Addition at 622 E.
College Avenue:**

With a public hearing having been held at the February 2, 2010 Zoning Board of Appeals meeting, the Zoning Board of Appeals unanimously recommended granting a request from Tom Ackerman for two zoning variances for construction of an addition onto the rear of the house within the required side yard setback and to allow the new addition to be closer than 10 feet from a nearby accessory structure. Motion made by Hampton, seconded by Boyd, to approve the Zoning Board of Appeals recommendation for the two zoning variances at 622 E. College Avenue (see Ordinance on file for full text).

Ayes: Hampton, Boyd, Roadman, Sanders, Gaffner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Recycling Subsidy Program:

City Manager Willey followed up on the recycling subsidy program which the Council approved to move forward on in January. City Manager Willey indicated that the program will offer a recycling subsidy program to qualified residents that will utilize the current Link and Circuit Breaker programs administered by the State of Illinois. Residents will need to provide proof of eligibility which will be verified by the Utility Billing Department. Proof will be in the form of a valid Link Card, Illinois Cares Rx Card or proof of being Circuit Breaker eligible. Residents will be required to re-qualify for the subsidy program annually. Mayor Gaffner expressed concern about receiving tipping fees from the county which had conceivably been targeted to cover the cost of the subsidy program. City Manager Willey stated that the 9% administration fee and the premium on recycling material would be utilized to fund the program.

Greenville Cares Program:

City Manager Willey provided a follow up on the Greenville Cares program that would allow utility billing customers to either sign up to have a donation automatically added to their bill each month; or check a box to add \$1, \$2, or \$5 to their payment that would be received as a donation and forwarded monthly to a designated charity for distribution. City Manager Willey explained that this was a donation to help those in need with their utility bills, and not specifically for recycling. Councilman Hampton stated that citizens had expressed a desire to donate specifically to help subsidize recycling and not necessarily utility payments in general. Discussion involved possibly using the Greenville Cares donations to help cover the cost of the recycling subsidy program.

Recycling Container:

Mayor Gaffner expressed his desire to address the issue by some single resident households who wanted a more manageable recycling container. City Manager Willey reported that at the Mayor's request, he had looked to see if any other options were available. A recycling bag was available at a relatively low cost; however Doty had stated that bags were not allowed with the recyclables. A small tote was found, however it may be cost prohibitive and difficult for residents to carry to the curb. The City will continue to look for viable options. Councilman Sanders stated that the recycling process is new, and

perhaps some time needs to be given to evaluate the manageability of the process.

A resident brought up an issue regarding whether the container (recycling tote) needed to be rinsed. The resident was assured that the tote did not need to be rinsed, but that it did raise a valid issue of questions that the public may have. The City Manager commented that this issue and other questions raised will be clarified for the public.

2010 Road Program:

City Manager Willey reported to the Council that in order to develop a 2010 Road Program, he would need to obtain more direction regarding desired funding levels from the Council. Currently the half-cent sales tax is generating approximately \$300,000 for road improvement. Due to the costs of road projects, in the past the City has scheduled a road project every other year to cover the cost on a pay-as-you-go basis. The most recent road project was Fourth Street, which additional funds were borrowed to complete, and will be paid back later in 2010. City Manager Willey reported that Stifel Nicolaus had previously prepared a bonding analysis based on an annual repayment of the half-cent tax money of \$300,000. That would equate to approximately \$2.2 million for a ten year bond, or a \$1.3 million for a five year bond. The council discussed the various aspects of a bond and street improvement projects.

**Ordinance No. 2861
Out-of-County Boat
Permits:**

City Manager Willey attended the Lake Committee meeting on February 1, 2010 to discuss out-of county permits which the committee had previously reviewed and denied the request to add additional out-of-county permits. Upon reviewing data showing the number of permits sold in the past few years, the number has decreased. By increasing the number of out-of-county permits this could potentially increase boat permit revenue. Lake Committee recommended increasing the number of out-of-county boat permits to 250. Motion made by Sanders, seconded by Boyd, to approve the Lake Committee recommendation and raise the limit of out-of-county permits to 250 (see Ordinance on file for full text).

Ayes: Sanders, Boyd, Hampton, Roadman, Gaffner
Nays: None

Motion carried

**Lake Committee
Recommendation:**

Following a request by the SIU Bass Club, the Lake Committee recommended to allow the City Manager to develop guidelines and regulations to allow two bass fishing tournaments at Governor Bond Lake. Motion by Hampton, seconded by Roadman, to approve Lake Committee recommendation to allow City Manager to develop guidelines and regulations in response to request by SIU Bass Club to host bass fishing tournament at Governor Bond Lake.

Ayes: Hampton, Roadman, Boyd, Sanders, Gaffner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 2862
Authorizing the Sale of
Surplus Property:**

Moved by Boyd, seconded by Sanders, to declare dump truck and water truck as surplus property and authorize the sale of surplus dump truck and water truck (see Ordinance on file for full text).

Ayes: Boyd, Sanders, Hampton, Roadman, Gaffner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**Resolution 2010-1
Open Meetings Act
Designee:**

Effective January 1, 2010, the amended changes to the Freedom of Information and Open Meetings Act became effective. The Open Meetings Act requires all public bodies to designate employees to receive training on the Act, and each public body shall submit a list of designated employees to the Public Access Counselor. Motion made by Roadman, seconded by Sanders, to appoint Sue Ann Nelson and Dave Willey as the Open Meetings Act Designees for the City of Greenville.

Ayes: Roadman, Sanders, Boyd, Hampton, Gaffner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**Unified Zoning Code
Meetings:**

City Manager Willey provided an update to the Council on the two Unified Zoning Code meetings that have been held. The meetings have been well-attended and are progressing well.

**Kennedy/Jenks Water
Study Update:**

City Manager Willey reported that Dr. Stephen Booth with Kennedy/Jenks has started the project and recently was on-site in Greenville. City Manager Willey stated the City would improve handling of taste and odor complaints, whereby going on-site to obtain samples that would be sent for testing.

**Appointment to
Tourism Board:**

Mayor Gaffner submitted the appointment of Deborah Eck to the Tourism Board. Ms. Eck is the manager at the Sleep Inn & Suites. Moved by Hampton, seconded by Boyd, to appoint Deborah Eck as a member of the Tourism Board.

Ayes: Hampton, Boyd, Roadman, Sanders, Gaffner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Old Business:

Scott Rakers, from HMG Engineers, stated that plans had been submitted to IDOT for April letting of the south end of Fourth Street from US Route 40 to just north of Hillview Avenue. The project cost was submitted at \$1,070,000. Discussion ensued regarding the northern portion of the street, when plans would be completed and possible funding for the completion of the entire project.

New Business:

Mayor Gaffner reported that a resident had raised concerns regarding the intersection of Elm and Beaumont and the need for a stop sign. City Manager Willey reported that Police Chief Lorton prepared a report of accidents at the intersection over the past six years, and there have been reported an average of just over one accident per year. City Manager Willey reminded the council that a stop sign should not be used as a means of speed control. The council decided not to take action, and requested the City Manager provide a response to the citizen.

Councilman Roadman read a prepared letter to the editor of the Greenville Advocate.

**Recess to Executive
Session and
Adjournment:**

At 10:12 p.m., moved by Hampton, seconded by Roadman, to recess to executive session for Purchase of Real Estate, Section 2 (c) (5); Sale of Real Estate, Section 2 (c) (6); Pending Litigation, Section 2 (c) (11); Personnel, Section 2 (c) (1) of the Open Meetings Act. The meeting was adjourned at 12:46 a.m. at the close of the executive session.

Ayes: Hampton, Roadman, Boyd, Sanders, Gaffner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

City Clerk