

City of Granger  
Council Meeting Minutes  
August 19, 2020

Mayor James opened the City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center, 2200 Walnut Street, Granger, Iowa, 50109.

Present: Backous, Brandt, Schutt Not Present: Bermel, Saak

Backous made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes.

Woodward police officer, Joe Cox thanked the Granger public works for coming to Woodward to help with the cleanup caused by Derecho. Resident Deb Oberender mentioned that there has been a problem lately with cats roaming the area. According to the Granger City of Ordinances, pets should be kept on a leash. Mayor mentioned to first talk to the neighbor about the issue and if it keeps happening to contact City Hall or the Granger police department.

Alena Hesley – request for waiver of sewer charges resulting from water being turned on outside during the night at 1701 Crabapple Lane (carryover into July). Schutt made a motion to waive sewer charges in the amount of \$21, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes.

Jeffrey Topalovich – request for waiver of sewer charges resulting from a spigot burst in June at 1903 Walnut Street. Schutt made a motion to waive sewer charges in the amount of \$45, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes.

Heather Besch – request for deaf child signs at the block of Juniper Place and Park Ridge Drive. Brandt made a motion to approve the public works to purchase two deaf child signs, seconded by Backous. All Ayes.

Saak arrived at 7:20 p.m.

John Gunderson – request for a permanent stop sign east/west at Broadway and Walnut Streets (currently wheel out a stop sign every morning and evening for the Granger Children’s Center). The City Council would like public works to look into the issue to see if it is possible to put in a permanent stop sign. They also suggested putting a permanent stop sign at Walnut and State Streets too.

Action to authorize Bud’s Pub to close street from State Street to the edge of Bob Gross’ building on Main Street starting at Noon on Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup> until Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at 8 a.m. for a socially distanced fish fry and band performance. Backous made a motion to approve, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes.

Bermel arrived at 7:30 p.m.

Landing at Oxley Creek Plat 2 – City Attorney, Ben Rouse mentioned that the filing of the maintenance bonds, filing of the sidewalk agreement, the payment of the water and sewer fees to the City in the amount of \$14,000, and the submittal of the required platting documents were in order. Action on Resolution 2020-19 – accepting the improvements was approved by Brandt, second by Saak. All Ayes. Action on Resolution 2020-20 – approving the Final Plat of Landing at Oxley Creek Plat 2 was approved by Brandt, seconded by Saak. All Ayes.

Sewer Plant Update – Action to refer wastewater treatment plant leakage remediation to City Attorney to pursue appropriate remedies under the provisions of the maintenance bond was approved by Backous, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes.

Action to authorize City Attorney and City Engineer to proceed with steps to establish the Landing at Oxley Creek West Urban Renewal Plan was approved by Schutt, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes.

Action to approve 1806 Linden Plat of Survey submitted by Matt Manning was approved by Saak, seconded by Bermel. All Ayes.

Police Report for 7/6/2020 – 8/9/2020 reported 1 firework complaint, 1 prowler, 1 out of control child, 1 theft (recovered property), 1 no-trespass order (served), 1 verbal domestic, 1 reckless driver excessive speed (cited), 1 resisted arrest, 2 suspicious persons, 1 accident, 1 ambulance assist, 1 erratic driver, 2 welfare checks, 3 animal complaints, 2 motorist assists, 1 disturbing the peace (loud music), 1 suspicious activity, 4 parking violations, 1 stolen property (located by the Des Moines PD), 9 citations, 3 warnings, and 7 other agency assists. Action to approve the resignation of Kelly Owen as police chief effective October 1, 2020, and authorize permission to advertise for a full-time police officer now to replace Kelly was approved by Backous, seconded by Schutt. All Ayes. The City Council reviewed the 28E Agreement to combine the Granger Police Department and the Woodward Police Department. Action to approve the 28E Agreement to combine the Granger Police Department and Woodward Police Department was not approved. 2 Ayes, 3 Nays. The City Council would like to change the duration and renewal within the agreement to 2 years instead of 3 and the City Council would also like to send a separate mailer to the residents of Granger to give them another opportunity to attend the September City Council meeting to ask questions or express their concerns regarding the merger of the two police departments before the City Council makes their final decision whether to move forward or not.

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Fire Department July 2020 Report shows there were a total of 29 calls. 20 of those calls were EMS calls, 2 mutual aid calls, and 7 fire calls. With COVID-19 still circling through our community, continue to practice social distancing, wear your mask in public areas, and keep yourself and family members home if you feel under the weather. The July training was a two-day water rescue and operations training which was held on July 25<sup>th</sup> and July 26<sup>th</sup>. The training allowed all Fire and EMS personnel to gain a better understanding and hands-on experience with a variety of water rescue equipment. Another major part of the training was airboat operations. Members were given the opportunity to hop into the driver's seat and learn how to be a safe and effective airboat operator. There are four new part-time members to the department: Ty Wheeler, Adam Whisler, Gary Sanders, and Shawn Benberg. Member Jim Kenkel had the 5th anniversary with the department in July. The Fire & EMS Department would like to congratulate Joshua Saak for completing his EMT program at Iowa Western Community College. Josh will be completing his National Registry testing in August and will be an official Granger Medic once all tests are completed and passed. Action to approve revised amendments to the Constitution & Bylaws was approved by Schutt, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes. Action to approve Samantha Magill to enroll in the IWCC paramedic program and Bethany Stanger to sign a letter of intent to pay the IWCC paramedic program in the amount of \$7,495 was approved by Schutt, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes. Action to approve the Mayor to sign all reimbursements for training expenses was approved by Backous, seconded by Bermel. All Ayes.

Public Works Department – Public Works Director, Jarrod Sturtz mentioned they have busy cleaning up the town due to the destruction of Derecho. The Twin Eagles ponds are to be maintained by the Homeowner's Association.

Parks and Recreation Report – Public works has had time with the drought to replace the siding at the Centennial Park concession building. There was a lot of rotted wood underneath the siding. The playground is expected to be delivered and installed the week of August 31<sup>st</sup>. The youth flag football league policies and procedures were presented with COVID-19 language and the plan for the program is moving forward. There were 60 in attendance at the July 25<sup>th</sup> and 20 in attendance at the August 8<sup>th</sup> Movie in the Park events. Action to approve Dough Crazy food truck for the Movie in the Park on August 29<sup>th</sup> – waiving the time restriction on transient merchant license (Code Section 122.10 limits license to between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.) to allow service until 9 p.m. was approved by Schutt, seconded by Brandt. 4 Ayes, 1 Naye. Action to approve mask requirements for all indoor programming through January 1<sup>st</sup> was approved by Schutt, seconded by Backous. 4 Ayes, 1 Naye. Action to approve advertising for a Parks & Recreation part-time person was approved by Brandt, seconded by Schutt. 3 Ayes, 2 Naves. Action to allow a park shelter rental to set-up a tent for a wedding ceremony at Centennial Park was approved by Saak, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes.

Action to appoint to Board of Adjustment – Matt Parks, reappointment to Board of Adjustment, for a term ending August 19, 2025, was approved by Backous, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes.

Action on Resolution 2020-21 – requesting reimbursement for eligible costs related to the COVID-19 public health emergency from the Iowa COVID-19 Government Relief Fund with the City Clerk to fill in the amount necessary was approved by Brandt, seconded by Schutt. All Ayes.

2020 legislative changes affecting City codes – authorization for Mayor to sign order form was approved by Schutt, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes.

Finance Committee Member, Brandt reported that all information at this time was in order. Schutt made a motion to approve the report, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes.

Schutt made a motion to approve all bills for payment, seconded by Brandt. All Ayes.

City vehicle emissions – inspection request on all City vehicles. Brandt made a motion to have the Peterbilt truck inspected before we sell it, seconded by Backous. All Ayes.

Mayor's Report – The Mayor mentioned that he reached out to Gregg Erickson regarding the current condition and damages found at the library building located at 2216 Broadway Street. Gregg has been in town the last week, taking care of some of the repairs. The Mayor asked if any payment has been made for the outstanding utility bill for 1598 and 1600 Linden Streets. There has not been any payment and the next steps are to have the City Attorney look into putting a lien on the property. The City Council made the decision not to make Veterans Day a holiday for the City employees.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

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Tony L. James, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kristy Trzeciak, City Clerk

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**JULY 2020 CLAIMS**

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Access Systems	Sonicwall Support License/Backup Services/Advanced Cybersecurity Protection	\$ 457.22
Access Systems Leasing	New Copier Lease + Usage	\$ 242.81
Access Systems Leasing	Server Lease	\$ 248.52
Agsource Laboratories	Wastewater tests + UPS shipping charges	\$ 240.00
Agsource Laboratories	Wastewater tests + UPS shipping charges	\$ 369.50
Agsource Laboratories	Wastewater tests + UPS shipping charges	\$ 228.50
Agsource Laboratories	Wastewater tests + UPS shipping charges	\$ 329.75
Agsource Laboratories	Wastewater tests + UPS shipping charges	\$ 375.00
Airline Media Productions	The Greatest Snowman DVD License	\$ 250.00
Background Investigation Bureau	Background Checks for Fire/EMS New Hires	\$ 11.95
Badger Meter	Services for July 2020	\$ 39.90
Baker Electric	Install AV Cabinet, Shelves, Relo AV Equipment	\$ 2,200.00
Banleaco	Folder/Inserter Lease	\$ 154.22
Barnes & Noble	EGC Certs/Books/Legos/Beanie Boos/Twisty Pretz Single Pack	\$ 577.19
Barnes & Noble	Book/EGC Certs	\$ 46.59
Barnes & Noble	Books	\$ 275.04
Barnes & Noble	Books/DVDs	\$ 116.94
Barnes & Noble	Books	\$ 56.77
Barnes & Noble	Books	\$ 283.03
Barnes & Noble	Books	\$ 162.31
Beisser Lumber	Metal Splicer for 6" Siding	\$ 123.05
Beisser Lumber	Caulk/LP Textured 8" Strand/Steel Z-Flashing/LP Strand Txd Trim/LP Txd Siding Strand	\$ 2,109.93
Benbow, Jennifer	GCC Rental Reimbursement 9/5/20	\$ 135.00
Bomgaars	Flexseal/Octane Boost	\$ 30.33
Bomgaars	Oscillating Blade/Multi Tool	\$ 177.46
Bound Tree Medical	Gowns	\$ 31.50
Bound Tree Medical	Surgical Tape/Probe Covers/Oxygen Nasal Cannula/Endotracheal Tube Holder/Irrigation Sol/ Splint/Sterile Water/Infant Mask/Oral Nasal w/O2 Connector	\$ 146.06
Bound Tree Medical	Adrenalin	\$ 151.74
Bound Tree Medical	Oxygen Nasal Cannula	\$ 19.49
Bound Tree Medical	Oxygen Connecting Tubing	\$ 15.50
Bound Tree Medical	Probe Covers	\$ 17.79
Bound Tree Medical	Probe Covers	\$ 88.95
Bound Tree Medical	Defib ECG Pads	\$ 110.37
Bremseth Law Firm	Ambulance Bill Reim - Check should have been made out to City of Johnston	\$ 852.00
Brown, Fagen & Rouse	Legal Services for July 2020	\$ 2,800.00
Burns, Brandon	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Casey's Business MasterCard	Fuel	\$ 954.34
Central Iowa Distributing	Disinfectant Spray	\$ 140.00
CLIA Laboratory Program	CLIA Laboratory User Fees	\$ 180.00
Core & Main	1" Meter Couplers	\$ 68.44
Core & Main	Green Marking Paint/Wire Marking Sewer Flags	\$ 267.56
Core & Main	Concrete Mix	\$ 76.80
Core & Main	Bolts/Hex Nuts/Hubs	\$ 890.48
Culligan Water of Adel	Bottled Water + Cooler Rental	\$ 56.55
D & K Products	T-Zone/Roundup/Tordon/Talstar Professional	\$ 833.25
Demco	Social Distancing Sign/Floor Decals	\$ 79.88
Element Homes	Hydrant Meter Deposit Reimbursement	\$ 3,351.12
Emergency Apparatus Maint	NFPA Pump Test Unit T276	\$ 1,777.78

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Empowerment Solutions	Add Agenda to Website/Update Agenda	\$ 71.25
Feick, Brad	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Fire Recovery EMS	July Billing	\$ 336.80
GateHouse-DB Iowa Holdings	Publications	\$ 376.17
GovPayNet	Utility Online Payment made to the wrong City of Granger (s/b Texas)	\$ 165.76
Graphic Edge	Fire/EMS Clothing	\$ 40.77
Grainger	Impact Socket Adapter	\$ 48.05
Granger Motors	Headlight Bulb Replacement for 2011 Ram Truck	\$ 30.75
Gurney & Associates	Passive Junction Box/Replacement DO Cap	\$ 570.97
Harned, Jennifer	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Harvard Maintenance	Floor Cleaning Machine	\$ 4,031.26
Harvard Maintenance	Electrostatic Backpack Sprayer	\$ 1,708.60
Harvard Maintenance	Toilet Seat Covers/Citrus Cleaner/Disinfectant/Hook-up Kit/Seat Cover Dispenser	\$ 413.51
Hawkins	Chlorine/Sodium Permanganate/Santoprene Pump Tube/Pump	\$ 2,414.13
Hawkins	Chlorine	\$ 792.60
Iowa DNR	Annual NPDES Wastewater Permit Fee for FY2021	\$ 210.00
Iowa DOT	Drive Rivet	\$ 132.50
Iowa One Call	811 Emails	\$ 102.60
IWCC	Emergency Medical Technician Hybrid Class - VanderKopsa	\$ 895.00
Kohles & Bach	Install a Turbo Replacement Capacitor	\$ 343.34
Mainstreet Designs	Christmas Lights/Hardware	\$ 17,568.42
Menards	Steel Handle/Floor/Wall Brush/Inspection Mirror/Splash Car Wash/CRC Brakeleen	\$ 67.43
Menards	Shelving Unit/Command Light Clips	\$ 146.87
Menards	Hinge Pin Door Stop	\$ 2.79
Menards	Block-It/Air Compressor/Ultra Tape/Galv Coil/Coil Siding Nailer/Pro 3-Stick Hammer Tacker/ Gecko Gauge/Yard White/Bostitch Staples/Aluminum T-Bevel/White/Brown Alum/Quad Max	\$ 928.29
Menards	Block-It/White PVC Trim Return	\$ (96.95)
Menards	Butyl Tape/Quad Max/Composite Shim/Single Hung/Block-It/Dripcap/PVC Trim/	\$ 444.70
Menards	Green TRTD/Siding/Mag Sweeper/Tapcon/Ultra Tape/Utility Knife/Pry Bar/4x8 OSB	\$ 713.71
Menards	Tapcon	\$ 28.57
Metering & Technology Sol	Meter Radios	\$ 1,572.07
Metering & Technology Sol	3/4" Meters/Couplings/Radios	\$ 5,127.79
Mullins, Aaron	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Office Depot	Copy Paper	\$ 39.99
Office Depot	Dehumidifier	\$ 229.99
Office Depot	Folders/Totes/Pocket Files	\$ 517.51
Office Depot	Binder Clips	\$ 7.55
Office Depot	Toner	\$ 82.99
Office Depot	Ink/Correction Tape	\$ 24.36
Office Depot	Oreo Cookies/Popcorn	\$ 62.58
Office Depot	Bottled Water/Mini Pretzels/Toner/Wireless Mouse/Copy Paper	\$ 131.46
Office Depot	HP Printer	\$ 149.99
Office Depot	Sharpies/Swiffer Duster/Duster Refills	\$ 41.86
Oriental Trading	Super Fun Pen Assort/Fathers Day Little Monster/Magic Color Scratch Bookmarks/ Flashlight Key Chain/Foam Fathers Day Necktie/Dad Brick Tabletop w/Easel/Medieval Stamp	\$ 135.11
Padilla, Cathy	GCC Rental Reimbursement 8/22/20	\$ 400.00
Peterbilt of Des Moines	Modulating Valve	\$ 205.78
Praxair	Oxygen	\$ 203.77
Praxair	Oxygen	\$ 198.05
Quick Oil Co.	PowerMax Diesel for Barrel	\$ 416.15
Racom	EDACS Access/Beon Access	\$ 523.35
Saak, Joshua	Mileage Reimbursement for EMT Classes	\$ 593.40

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Saak, Joshua	NREMT Testing Application Fee Reimbursement	\$ 80.00
Sandry Fire Supply	2-Way Ball Valve/Hydrant Ball Valve	\$ 1,002.10
Sandry Fire Supply	Air Compressor Service Fee/Purification Filter Cartridge/O-Ring/Separator Main Kit/ Air Intake Filter/Mako Blue Oil/Air Analysis Test/Air Sample Kit	\$ 713.15
Sandry Fire Supply	Mako CO Cylinder/Mako Pure Air Cylinder	\$ 223.00
Sandry Fire Supply	Globe 14" Structural Boot	\$ 416.00
Schneider Graphics	GFD Logo Artwork	\$ 45.00
Schneider Graphics	Decals for New Public Work Trucks	\$ 153.23
Secretary of State	Renewal of Notary Public - Trzeciak	\$ 30.00
State Hygienic Laboratory	Water Tests	\$ 26.00
Strauss Security Solutions	Keycards for Community Center	\$ 30.00
Strauss Security Solutions	Key Fobs for Fire/EMS	\$ 82.50
Strauss Security Solutions	Quarterly Access Hosting Fee 7/1-9/30/20	\$ 57.00
Strauss Security Solutions	Medeco Keys for Fire/EMS Office	\$ 150.00
Struthers Brothers	Mule Windshield Install	\$ 57.75
Stryker Sales Corporation	4-Year Maintenance Agreement for 7/1/19-6/30/23	\$ 1,333.80
Sturtz, Jarrod	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Swank Motion Pictures	The Mighty Ducks DVD License	\$ 395.00
Tenting, Krystal	Yoga in the Park Instructor Payment	\$ 50.00
Tiernan's Service Center	Oil Change/Replace License Plate Light on Police 2013 Ford	\$ 43.75
Tiernan's Service Center	Tire Repair on Police 2013 Ford	\$ 25.00
Tiernan's Service Center	Rotate Tires on 2017 5550 Dodge Ram	\$ 50.00
Tiernan's Service Center	Oil Change on 2016 F250 Ford	\$ 40.00
Tiernan's Service Center	Oil Change/Replace Fuel Filter on 2007 C8500 T276 Fire Truck	\$ 520.00
Trzeciak, Kristy	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
UPS	Shipping	\$ 57.80
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	The Landing at Oxley Creek Plat 2	\$ 1,291.23
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Ironwood Estates Plat 3 Construction Services	\$ 1,648.56
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Ironwood Estates Construction Inspection	\$ 48.00
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Twin Eagles Plat 3 Construction Observation	\$ 46.50
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	2020 Bridge Inspections	\$ 506.50
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Consultation on Water System Corrosion Control	\$ 831.00
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Water Treatment Plant - Additional Filter Installation	\$ 4,937.33
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Building Permit Fees for June 2020	\$ 18,889.20
Verizon	Cell Phone Charges	\$ 110.67
Verizon	Cell Phone Charges	\$ 176.50
Walter's Sanitary Service, Inc.	Residential garbage reimbursement 7/1/20-7/31/20	\$ 8,249.00
Walter's Sanitary Service, Inc.	Container Rental/Pickup	\$ 37.00
Walter's Sanitary Service, Inc.	Container Rental/Pickup	\$ 290.40
Westrum Leak Detection	Leak Detection by Children's Center on Broadway	\$ 522.50
Williams Scotsman	Police Mobile Trailer Rental Fee	\$ 338.00
Willis Automotive	Oil/Filter Change/Multi Point Inspection on Fire Truck	\$ 238.47
Willis Automotive	Replace Ambulance License Plate Light Bulb	\$ 26.94
Ziegler	Annual Preventive Maintenance on Lift Station Generator	\$ 1,843.67
Ziegler	Annual Preventive Maintenance on WTP Generator	\$ 3,469.34
Ziegler	Annual Preventive Maintenance on WWTP Generator	\$ 3,877.80

TOTAL	<b>\$ 118,471.94</b>
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**EXPENSE TOTALS PER FUND**

General Fund	\$ 85,045.29
Water Fund	\$ 19,739.10

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Sewer Fund	\$ 13,687.55
TOTAL	<u>\$ 118,471.94</u>

**REVENUE TOTALS PER FUND**

General Fund	\$ 40,509.40
Road Use Tax Fund	\$ 20,948.81
Employee Benefits Fund	\$ 1,110.85
Emergency Fund	\$ 195.39
Local Option Sales Tax Fund	\$ 16,254.90
TIF Fund	\$ 984.76
Debt Service Fund	\$ 3,399.16
Water Fund	\$ 33,407.09
Sewer Fund	\$ 55,223.08
TOTAL	<u>\$ 172,033.44</u>