

**Graymoor-Devondale**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

**January 21, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Graymoor-Devondale City Council was held at the Graymoor-Devondale City Office, 1500 Lynn Way.

**CITY OFFICERS PRESENT:** Mayor John Vaughan, Council Members Michael Allen, Alan Bryant, David Meiners, Joe Meiners and Matt Hemmerle. **ALSO PRESENT:** City Attorney John Singler and City Clerk/Treasurer Nancy Perito. **ABSENT:** Council member Angela Coan and City Engineer Mark Madison.

**GUESTS PRESENT:** None

**PUBLIC FORUM:** None

**SWEARING-IN OF NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS:** The swearing-in of several new Council members was performed by City Attorney John Singler. All members have taken the Oath of Office.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Alan Bryant motioned to approve the minutes of the December, 2024 meeting. Michael Allen seconded the motion and the December, 2024 minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Michael Allen motioned to approve the December, 2024 treasurer's report. David Meiners seconded the motion and the December, 2024 treasurer's report was approved by unanimous vote.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**a) Development updates:** Attorney John Singler reported that he was approached again by Scott Hagan regarding Providence Pointe. John Singler told Hagan that he did not see any support for approval. John explained the proposed lease/buy back agreement proposed by Hagan for Providence Pointe to new Council members. The benefits to Graymoor-Devondale would be added population and additional revenue in addition to the widening of Herr Ln. The duration of the agreement is a negative as well as having to provide services such as police protection.

**VA:** There was a call last week but no real updates.

**b) I 264/42 Interchange:** No updates. Project has still not gone out to bid. Utility relocation is still taking place.

**NEW BUSINESS:** David Meiners proposed to lower the insurance premium tax rate back to the 5%, the rate before the increase to 8%. Michael Allen and Alan Bryant stated that the City needs to look at How much police coverage will cost the City in the new fiscal year. John Singler stated that the

ordinance would need to be passed 100 days before July 1<sup>st</sup> which would be by the March 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. The new rate would become effective July 1, 2025.

David Meiners motioned for a **1st reading of Ordinance #5, Series 2024-2025**, lowering the insurance tax rate from 8% to 5%. Michael Allen seconded the motion and the motion was passed by a vote of 4 in favor and 1 opposed.

## **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

**a) Public Safety:** The Police Chief reported a resident shooting off fireworks on Moredale Rd.

Alan Bryant inquired as to any other options besides the Lyndon Police for contracted police services. John Singler stated that there may be other agencies providing police patrol of neighborhoods, but Lyndon Police would respond to 911 calls to Metro dispatch.

**b) Code Enforcement:** No report.

**c) Sanitation:** Mayor Vaughan reported that he spoke with Andy Reynolds at Waste Management about the lack of communication during the last snow event. Andy explained that catch up is difficult because there are no extra trucks or drivers. Internal safety controls do not allow pickup after dark. The primary issue was lack of recycling pickup for 4 weeks.

Mayor Vaughan will speak personally to new Council members about handling sanitation duties to see who might be interested in that responsibility.

**d) Public Works/Signage:** Michael Allen reported that all projects are complete. The temporary curbing removed from Greenlawn Rd. needs to be sold. He and Mark Madison will look at the roads for possible paving in the spring.

**e) Beautification:** No report.

**f) Insurance/Finance:** No report.

**g) Public Information:** No report.

**h) City Clerk:** Five outstanding tax bills and two outstanding business licenses were reported.

**i) Special Projects:** No report.

**j) Ice and Snow Removal:** No report.

**k) Legal:** No report.

There being no further business to discuss, Michael Allen motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:37p.m. Joe Meiners seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted

Approved\_\_\_\_\_

Nancy Perito, City Clerk

John Vaughan, Mayor