

**CITY OF GRAHAM
REGULAR SESSION
TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2015
7:00 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Graham met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, 2015, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building located at 201 South Main Street.

Council Members Present:

Mayor Jerry Peterman
Mayor Pro Tem Jimmy Linens
Council Member Lee Kimrey
Council Member Chip Turner

Also Present:

Frankie Maness, City Manager
Darcy Sperry, City Clerk
Nathan Page, City Planner
Michael Leinwand, Special Projects Coordinator
Victor Quick, Utilities Director

Council Members Absent:

Council Member Jim Albright

Mayor Jerry Peterman called the meeting to order and presided at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Jimmy Linens gave the invocation and everyone stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Resolution of Commendation and Appreciation

Mayor Jerry Peterman presented Clarence Baldwin with a gift from the City of Graham and thanked him for his twenty-one (21) years, nine (9) months of service to the City of Graham. Graham Utilities Director Victor Quick also thanked Mr. Baldwin for his dedication and service to the City.

**RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION AND APPRECIATION TO
CLARENCE BALDWIN
FOR 21 YEARS 9 MONTHS SERVICE TO THE CITY OF GRAHAM**

WHEREAS, Clarence Baldwin diligently served the City of Graham as Operator I of the Waste Water Treatment Plant from June 10, 1993 until March 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Clarence retired as Operator I of the Graham Waste Water Treatment Plant from the City of Graham on March 1, 2015 with 21 years 9 months of service; and

WHEREAS, his wisdom, care and dedication has commanded the utmost respect from his colleagues and employees; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council to extend their deepest appreciation to Clarence for the excellent time and service he has afforded the citizens of Graham and his fellow employees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAHAM THAT: Clarence be commended for his outstanding public service to the City of Graham.

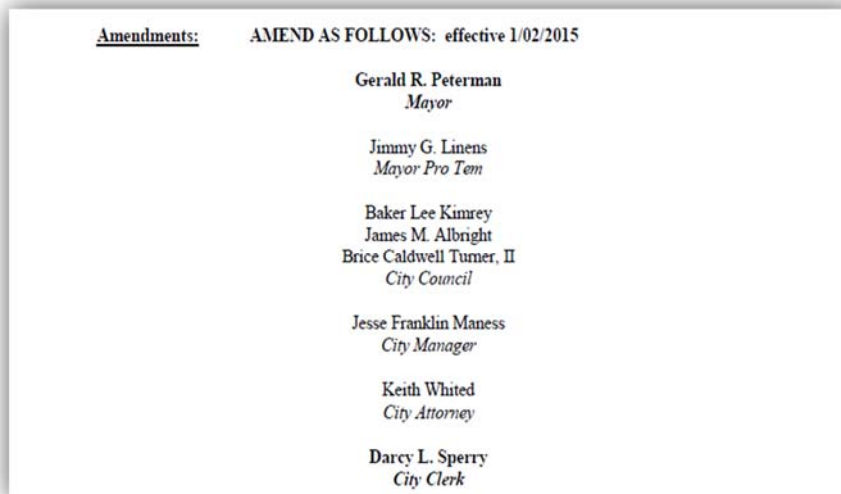
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: an expression of appreciation be extended to Mr. Clarence Baldwin in the form of this Resolution of Commendation and Appreciation, and that this Resolution become a part of the official records of the City of Graham for all of time, and the original thereof be presented to him in person.

This the 3rd day of March 2015.

Jerry Peterman, Mayor
City of Graham

Consent Agenda:

- *Approval of Minutes – February 3, 2015 Regular Session*
- *Approval of Minutes – February 19, 2015 Special Session*
- *Approval of Minutes – February 24, 2015 Special Session*
- *Amend date of Advertisement of Tax Liens to March 26, 2015*
- *Amend City of Graham Code of Ordinances Officials page*



- *Request from the Recreation and Parks Department to close the 100 block of W. Elm Street from 5:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. for the Thursday at Seven Concert Series on May 28, 2015, June 25, 2015, July 23, 2015, August 27, 2015 and September 24, 2015.*

Council Member Chip Turner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Council Member Lee Kimrey. All voted in favor of the motion.

Recommendations from Planning Board:

Public Hearing: Apex View UBD & Community Center (SUP1501). Request by Thangaraju Muruegsan for a Special Use Permit for a Community Center and Unified Business Development on property located at 602 W Elm St (GPIN 8874759635).

City Planner Nathan Page explained that the applicant was not present at their meeting to answer questions therefore the Graham Planning Board voted to postpone this agenda item until their March 17, 2015 meeting.

Council Member Kimrey motioned to postpone this agenda item until the next monthly meeting, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Linens. All voted in favor of the motion.

North Carolina Commerce Park (NCCP):

- a. *Approve Committee Recommendations*

City Manager Frankie Maness explained that in May 2013, the City approved entering into a compact with Alamance County and the City of Mebane to establish an Economic Development Zone in the Hawfields area. The compact called for the establishment of an organizational committee to develop policies and procedures as well as make recommendations to the governing boards to effectuate the development of the Zone. The recommendations include:

- a. Approve the name of the zone as the “North Carolina Commerce Park.”
- b. Appoint the Chamber of Commerce as the “NCCP Representative” to work with property owners to:
 - i. Negotiate an agreed upon option to sell their land;
 - ii. In exchange for providing services for site certification, marketing and master planning of the NCCP.
- c. Appropriate \$100,000 each (\$300,000 total) to the Alamance County Chamber of Commerce to be placed in a NCCP Fund to pay for expenses associated with site certification, marketing and master planning within the NCCP.
- d. Approve the creation by Graham and Mebane of an overlay zoning district that will maintain development standards within the park.
- e. Appoint the Organizational Committee as the NCCP Oversight Committee for the administration of future activities and operations.
- f. Require the Oversight Committee to provide a semiannual report and accounting of the revenues, expenditures, and activities of the NCCP in April and October of each year.

Council Member Kimrey motioned to approve the six (6) recommendations of the NCCP Organizational Committee, seconded by Council Member Turner. All voted in favor of the motion.

b. Approve Budget Amendment

Mr. Maness indicated that for it to be legal to spend money, we have to have it appropriated in our budget. He further explained that this is a Budget Amendment to allocate one hundred thousand (100,000) dollars for the marketing and site certification effort for the NCCP.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL of the City of Graham that the 2014 - 2015 Budget Ordinance shall be and is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1: General Fund Expenditures			
	APPROVED	AMENDED	DIFFERENCE
Non-Departmental Administration	722,520	822,520	100,000
Section 2: General Fund Revenues			
Fund Balance	714,750	814,750	100,000

This the 3rd day of March, 2015.


Jerry Peterman - Mayor

ATTEST:


Darcy Sperry, City Clerk

Council Member Kimrey motioned to approve the Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget Ordinance for the appropriation to NCCP, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jimmy Linens. All voted in favor of the motion.

Issues Not Included on Tonight's Agenda

Mr. Maness advised Council of the United Way sponsored "Municipal Madness Basketball Tournament" taking place this month.

Mr. Maness advised Council of "Town Hall Day" which takes place in Raleigh on March 18, 2015.

Mayor Peterman welcomed Mr. Page and Mr. Michael Leinwand to Graham. He explained that both gentlemen will be working together to assume the duties of former City Planner Melissa Guilbeau.

Council Member Turner thanked Staff and Council Members for their acts of kindness shown him recently as he recuperates from shoulder surgery.

Council Member Kimrey followed up Mr. Maness' comments on the United Way Basketball Tournament. He mentioned that he has been fortunate to have served on a Committee with United Way this year. He stated that there will be a trophy along with a signed basketball by the coaches of the ACC awarded to the winning team and displayed at the winning Municipality for the next twelve (12) months – not to mention the sense of pride associated with winning.

Mayor Peterman asked Mr. Maness to pass along a "well done" to the City Staff for their recent snow removal efforts.

Mr. Buster Goodman of 320 Moser St gave an update on the current health condition of Coach Don Amos.

Mayor Peterman encouraged those in attendance to purchase tickets to the upcoming Graham Sports Hall of Fame induction ceremony (which is scheduled for April 11, 2015).

Mayor Peterman also advised he will be out of town for the April 7, 2015 Council Meeting. Council Members discussed what alternatives are available to them.

Council Member Kimrey made a motion to move the regularly scheduled business meeting to April 14, 2015, seconded by Council Member Turner. All voted in favor of the motion.

At 7:36 p.m. Council Member Kimrey made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Linens. All voted in favor of the motion.