

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

The City Council of the City of Graham met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 7, 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 Jim Albright
Council Member Chip Turner
Council Member Lee Kimrey

Also Present:

Frankie Maness, City Manager
Darcy Sperry, City Clerk
Nathan Page, City Planner
Michael Leinwand, Special Projects Coordinator
Melody Wiggins, Recreation & Parks Director
James Lloyd, Chief Code Enforcement Officer
Tanner Cook, City Intern

Mayor Jerry Peterman called the meeting to order and presided at 7:00 p.m. Council Member Chip Turner gave the invocation and everyone stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of Minutes – June 2, 2015 Regular Session.*
- b. Approval of Minutes – June 30, 2015 Special Session.*
- c. Tax Collector Year End Report.*
- d. 2014 Outstanding Tax Listing.*
- e. Request by the City of Graham Police Department to close the 100 block of West Elm St. on August 4, 2015 from 5:00pm-10:00pm for the National Night Out.*

Mayor Peterman asked the Council Members if they would like to pull any of the items from the Consent Agenda. Mayor Peterman asked to pull item “a. Approval of Minutes - June 2, 2015 Regular Session.” Council Member Lee Kimrey asked to pull item “d. 2014 Outstanding Tax Listing.”

Mayor Pro Tem Jimmy Linens made a motion to approve items “b”, “c” and “e” on the Consent Agenda, seconded by Council Member Jim Albright. All voted in favor of the motion.

Mayor Peterman informed Council that there had been a misspelling of his name in the June 2, 2015 Regular Session Minutes and verified with City Clerk Darcy Sperry that the correction had been made.

Mayor Peterman made a motion to approve item “a” on the Consent Agenda, seconded by Council Member Turner. All voted in favor of the motion.

Council Member Kimrey questioned City Manager Frankie Maness about the reason(s) as to why Bank of America would show up on the 2014 Outstanding Tax Listing.

Mr. Maness stated that if he had to guess, it could be a property that they have foreclosed on or a property that has transitioned from one party to another and hasn't been finalized.

Council Member Kimrey made a motion to approve item "d" on the consent agenda, seconded by Council Member Turner. All voted in favor of the motion.

Requests and Petitions of Citizens

a. *Connect NC Bonds.*

Ms. Cheryl McQueary, Board Member of the North Carolina Board of Transportation gave a presentation to the Council on the Connect NC Bond Initiative with the hope of gaining support, in the form of a Resolution, for the Highway Bond and the Infrastructure Bond to be put on the November 2015 Ballot. She explained that the Resolution does not mean the Council Members are in favor or opposed to the Bonds, but rather that Council supports that the General Assembly give the citizens of North Carolina the right to vote on these Bonds.

Ms. McQueary indicated that North Carolina has six (6) modes of transportation. She identified those as Highway, Aviation, Bicycle & Pedestrian, Ferry, Public Transportation and Rail. Ms. McQueary stated that two (2) years ago, the Governor, the General Assembly and the Department of Transportation created a new way to fund transportation projects. She added that projects are divided into three (3) levels: State, Regional and Division. In addition, she mentioned that North Carolina has the second largest highway system in the United States and highlighted the following facts:

State Transportation System

- Largest State Capital Asset
- Over \$47 billion Invested
- Replacement Value - \$570 billion
- Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) – 104 billion miles yearly
- Tons of Freight Moved ~ 760 million tons yearly
- Time Spent in Congestion – 30 hours yearly

Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

- 2015-2025 \$24.6 Billion Draft STIP contains:
 - 1,931 roadway projects totaling \$19.1 billion including:
 - 785 projects to improve highways
 - 829 bridge replacements
 - 433 congestion mitigation, bicycle and pedestrian, passenger rail, ferry, safety, environmental and enhancement projects
 - 57 aviation projects granted annually
 - 57 Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicle (GARVEE) Projects; \$1.9 billion;

By consensus, the Council offered support of the Resolution presented.

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PLACING THE CONNECT NC
BOND INITIATIVE ON THE NOVEMBER 2015 BALLOT**

WHEREAS, enhanced mobility across North Carolina's transportation network is a major factor impacting economic growth and job creation; and

WHEREAS, addressing critical mobility and congestion issues across the state is dependent on all modes of transportation; and

WHEREAS, our state's rapidly growing population presents critical infrastructure needs, and

WHEREAS, our state has a long and successful history of judiciously using long-term financing to meet its infrastructure needs; and

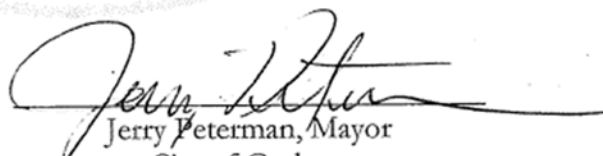
WHEREAS, it has been 15 years since the last general obligation bond was authorized to improve public infrastructure, which has resulted in years of deferred investment; and

WHEREAS, no tax increases are necessary to finance bonds given the ample debt service capacity within our existing revenue profile; and

WHEREAS, interest rates are at historical lows and it has never been less expensive to make long-term investments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAHAM, that the NC General Assembly should place before the voters for their consideration on the November 2015 Ballot, the Connect NC Bond Initiative.

Adopted this 7th day of July, 2015.


Jerry Peterman, Mayor
City of Graham

b. Petition for Voluntary Contiguous Annexation on and Adjacent to 401 Longdale Drive.

City Planner Nathan Page explained that this is an application by Mr. John L. Foust Sr. to annex a contiguous lot into the City of Graham. The property is currently in the City's Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ). Mr. Page explained that this is the first step in the annexation process which would require approval of the following:

- iii. Approve Resolution requesting City Clerk to Investigate the Sufficiency.
- iv. Approve Resolution fixing date of Public Hearing on Question of Annexation.

Mayor Pro Tem Linens made the motion to approve the Resolution Directing the Clerk to Investigate a Petition Received Under G.S. 160A-31 for Property on and adjacent to 401 Longdale Drive, seconded by Council Member Kimrey. All voted in favor of the motion.

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CLERK TO INVESTIGATE
A PETITION RECEIVED UNDER G.S. 160A-31
FOR PROPERTY ON AND ADJACENT TO 401 LONGDALE DRIVE

WHEREAS, a petition requesting annexation of an area described in said petition was received on June 12, 2015, by the Graham City Council; and

WHEREAS, G.S. 160A-31 provides that the sufficiency of the petition shall be investigated by the City Clerk before further annexation proceedings may take place; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Graham deems it advisable to proceed in response to this request for annexation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Graham:

That the City Clerk is hereby directed to investigate the sufficiency of the above described petition and to certify as soon as possible to the City Council the result of her investigation.


 Gerald R. Peterman, Mayor

ATTEST:



 Darcy L. Sperry, City Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF SUFFICIENCY
FOR PROPERTY ON AND ADJACENT TO 401 LONGDALE DRIVE

To the City Council of the City of Graham, North Carolina:

I, Darcy L. Sperry, City Clerk, do hereby certify that I have investigated the petition attached hereto and have found as a fact that said petition is signed by all owners of real property lying in the area described therein, in accordance with G.S. 160A-31.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Graham, this the 7th day of July, 2015.


Darcy L. Sperry, City Clerk

SEAL



Council Member Albright made the motion to approve the Resolution Fixing Date of Public Hearing on Question of Annexation Pursuant to G.S. 160A-31 for Property on and adjacent to 401 Longdale Drive – the date being August 4, 2015, seconded by Council Member Turner. All voted in favor of the motion.

RESOLUTION FIXING DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ON QUESTION OF ANNEXATION PURSUANT TO G.S. 160A-31
FOR PROPERTY ON AND ADJACENT TO 401 LONGDALE DRIVE

WHEREAS, a petition requesting annexation of the contiguous area described herein has been received; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has by resolution directed the City Clerk to investigate the sufficiency of the petition; and

WHEREAS, certification by the City Clerk as to the sufficiency of the petition has been made;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Graham, North Carolina that:

Section 1. A public hearing on the question of annexation of the area described herein will be held at the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Graham, NC at 7:00pm on August 4, 2015.

Section 2. The area proposed for annexation is described as follows:

A certain tract or parcel of land in Graham Township, Alamance County, North Carolina, adjoining the lands of Longdale Drive, Lot No. 4 of Property of J. L. Foust, recorded in Plat Book 69, at Page 119, Lot Nos. 1 and 7 of Property of J. L. Foust, recorded in Plat Book 75, at Page 492 and others, and more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at an existing iron pipe corner between Lot No. 1 of Property of J. L. Foust, recorded in Plat Book No. 75, at Page 492 and Lot No. 4 of Property of J. L. Foust, recorded in Plat Book 69, at Page 119, and the existing City of Graham corporate limits line, running thence with the southeastern line of Lot No. 1, N36° 03' 13"E 180.00 feet to an existing iron pipe in the line of said Lot No. 1 and corner with Lot No. 7 of Property of J. L. Foust, recorded in Plat Book 75, at Page 492, and corner with the existing City of Graham corporate limits line; running thence along the said Lot No. 7 and existing City of Graham corporate limits line S48° 15' 00"E 156.86 feet to an existing iron pipe in the northwestern 50 foot right-of-way line of Longdale Drive; continuing along said existing City of Graham corporate limits line and the said right-of-way line of Longdale Drive S38° 08' 18"W 170.00 feet to an existing iron pipe corner with Lot No. 4 of Property of J. L. Foust, recorded in Plat Book 69, at Page 119; continuing along said existing City of Graham corporate limits line and Lot No. 4, N51° 51' 42"W 150.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 26,798 square feet.

Section 3. Notice of the public hearing shall be published once in The Alamance News, a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Graham, at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the public hearing.


 Gerald R. Peterman, Mayor

ATTEST:

 Darcy L. Sperry, City Clerk

Capital Project Ordinance: Boyd Creek Pump Station:

City Manager Frankie Maness explained that the Boyd Creek Pump Station has served the City well since 1959, but it is old and a risk to the City's collection system. He reminded Council that this project first came to the attention of the Council approximately two and one half (2 ½) years ago. Mr. Maness added that due to the design of the Station, it has become very difficult to maintain. In an effort to get this project started, Mr. Maness is requesting \$175,000 for preliminary engineering and surveying. This money is proposed to come from the Water and Sewer Fund's Fund Balance.

Council Member Albright asked Mr. Maness if the \$175,000 is included in the cost of the project or if it's in addition to. Mr. Maness stated that the \$175,000 is included in the total cost.

Mr. Tom Boney of the Alamance News asked Mr. Maness if this project was included in this year's budget. Mr. Maness answered no. He added that when you have projects of this size that can go across fiscal years, the most appropriate thing you can do is adopt a Capital Project Budget.

Being no further questions, Council Member Turner made the motion to approve the project budget ordinance for Boyd Creek Pump Station, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Linens. All voted in favor of the motion.

CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE BOYD CREEK PUMP STATION

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAHAM, NORTH CAROLINA, that pursuant to Section 13.2, Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following Capital Project Ordinance is hereby adopted:

- Section 1. The Project authorized is Boyd Creek Pump Station.
- Section 2. The officials of the City of Graham are hereby directed to proceed with this program within the terms of the project. Staff is authorized to execute change orders within the budget ordinance.
- Section 3. The following revenues are anticipated to be available to the City to complete the project:
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| Proceeds from Water/Sewer Fund Balance | \$175,000 |
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- Section 4. The following amounts are appropriated for this project:
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| Professional Services | \$175,000 |
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- Section 5. The Finance Director shall report on the financial status of this project as directed by the City Council and will inform the Council of any unusual occurrences.
- Section 6. Copies of this project ordinance shall be made available to the City Manager and the Finance Director for direction in carrying out this project.
- Section 7. That this ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

This the 7th day of July, 2015.


Jerry Peterman - Mayor

ATTEST:

Darcy Sperry, City Clerk

Capital Project Ordinance: Jim Minor Road Park:

Mr. Maness explained that this is a request to appropriate funds for Phase 1 of the Jim Minor Road Park. Mr. Maness added that the City acquired a 115.6 acre tract of property along Jim Minor Road in 2010 and another three (3) acre tract in 2014 for the purpose of constructing a park. The City received financial assistance in the amount of \$500,000 from the North Carolina Parks and Recreation Trust Fund in July 2011, which stipulated that the City begin development of the park by July 2016. He added that the grant requires that the land be held in perpetuity as a public park. As such, the City recorded restrictive covenants in 2012 to perpetually designate the property for public recreational use. Mr. Maness went on to say that City Staff has developed three (3) options to begin development through a phased approach. Phase 1 options seek to build passive recreation facilities and basic infrastructure. Phase 1 options include: a park entrance, parking lot, natural playground, open mall area, fit zone and shelter with restrooms. Mr. Maness advised that option B is the recommended approach.

Parks & Recreation Director Melody Wiggins gave a brief overview of the three (3) different options proposed. In addition to Parking/Drive/Trail Improvements by City Purchase and Forces, the options include the following:

- Option A: Picnic Shelters, Walking Trails, Lawn, Fitness, Playground and Water/Sewer System - \$1,645,000
- Option B: Picnic Shelters, Walking Trails, Lawn, Fitness, Playground and Water/Sewer System - \$850,000
- Option C: Picnic Shelter, Nature Walking Trail and Water/Sewer System - \$500,000

Council Member Kimrey asked Ms. Wiggins what we have to have open to satisfy the grant requirements. Ms. Wiggins stated that we have to have some facilities open. She stated that this is the least expensive area of the park to develop. Mayor Pro Tem Linens asked Ms. Wiggins what has been done to date with this property. Ms. Wiggins explained that we have just completed the timbering. She added that we have been working for months on the planning and design of the different areas of the park as well as the establishment of a non-profit organization called the Friends of the Graham Recreation and Parks. Ms. Wiggins added that they will soon be releasing a gift catalogue to the public for those parties interested in purchasing items needed for the park.

Mr. Boney asked Mr. Maness if this project was in this year's budget. Mr. Maness answered no and referred to the same reason he had given for the previously discussed Boyd Creek Pump Station.

Council Members expressed their desire to have City Engineers Alley, Williams, Carmen & King look at which shelter makes the most sense to construct first. Option B calls for the construction of shelter 1, however, Council noted that shelter 4 is in closer proximity to the proposed recreation areas.

Being no further discussion, Council Member Turner made the motion to approve the project budget ordinance for Phase 1 of the Jim Minor Road Park, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Linens. All voted in favor of the motion.

CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE JIM MINOR ROAD PARK

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAHAM, NORTH CAROLINA, that pursuant to Section 13.2, Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following Capital Project Ordinance is hereby adopted:

- Section 1. The Project authorized is Jim Minor Road Park.
- Section 2. The officials of the City of Graham are hereby directed to proceed with this program within the terms of the project. Staff is authorized to execute change orders within the budget ordinance.
- Section 3. The following revenues are anticipated to be available to the City to complete the project:
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| Proceeds from Fund Balance in General Fund | \$850,000 |
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- Section 4. The following amounts are appropriated for this project:
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| Professional Services | 84,000 |
| Construction | <u>766,000</u> |
| | <u>\$850,000</u> |
- Section 5. The Finance Director shall report on the financial status of this project as directed by the City Council and will inform the Council of any unusual occurrences.
- Section 6. Copies of this project ordinance shall be made available to the City Manager and the Finance Director for direction in carrying out this project.
- Section 7. That this ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

This the 7th day of July, 2015.


Jerry Peterman - Mayor

ATTEST:


Darcy Sperry, City Clerk

Project Quarter:

a. Resolution by the City Council of the City of Graham Authorizing Application to the NCDOC Infrastructure Grants Program.

Mr. Maness explained that this is one of two (2) action items being requested for Project Quarter. He added that approval of the resolution finalizes the City's grant application and helps pave the way for funding to support the construction of the roadway to serve Project Quarter and other properties within the North Carolina Commerce Park (NCCP). Mr. Maness advised that the grant program is through the Economic Infrastructure Program of the North Carolina Department of Commerce, Rural Economic Development Division. The grant will contribute \$500,000 towards roadway construction in the NCCP.

Council Member Kimrey asked Mr. Maness how long we will have to maintain the road before NCDOT takes it over. Mr. Maness advised that it's either this grant or the Golden Leaf Grant that requires us to maintain the road for three (3) years before NCDOT takes it over.

Being no further questions, Council Member Kimrey made the motion to approve the Resolution by the City Council of the City of Graham Authorizing Application to the NCDOT Infrastructure Grants Program, seconded by Council Member Turner. All voted in favor of the motion.

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RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAHAM AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE NCDOT ECONOMIC INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority (RIA) has authorized the awarding of grants from appropriated funds to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of infrastructure activities needed to create jobs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Graham desires assistance in financing a building project that may qualify for Rural Grants/Programs funding; and

WHEREAS, the City of Graham intends to request grant assistance for the Public Roadway Improvements Serving Project Quarter (MGP) from the Economic Infrastructure Grants Program;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAHAM:

That the City of Graham will arrange financing for all remaining costs of the project, if approved for a grant;

That Jerry Peterman, Mayor and successors so titled, is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the City of Graham with the Rural Grants/Programs Section for a grant to assist in the above-named infrastructure project;

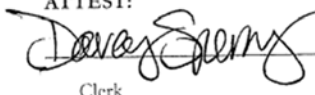
That Frankie Maness, City Manager, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as Rural Grants/Programs Section may request in connection with an application or with the project proposed; to make assurances as contained in the application; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That the City of Graham has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the project and to the grants pertaining thereto.

Adopted this the 7th day of July, 2015 at Graham, North Carolina.


Jerry Peterman, Mayor

ATTEST:



Clerk



b. Capital Project Ordinance.

Mr. Maness explained the Project Quarter incentive package calls for the NCCP partners to construct a roadway to serve Project Quarter and other properties within the NCCP. He informed Council that the estimated cost for the roadway project is \$2,000,000. Grant funding from the Golden Leaf (\$250,000) and the NCDOC Rural Economic Development Division (\$500,000) will be used towards the project leaving the three (3) local governments to share the \$1,250,000 balance (\$416,667 each).

Council Member Albright made the motion to approve the project budget ordinance for Project Quarter, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Linens. All voted in favor of the motion.

**CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE
PROJECT QUARTER**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAHAM, NORTH CAROLINA, that pursuant to Section 13.2, Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following Capital Project Ordinance is hereby adopted:

Section 1. The Project authorized is Project Quarter.

Section 2. The officials of the City of Graham are hereby directed to proceed with this program within the terms of the project. Staff is authorized to execute change orders within the budget ordinance.

Section 3. The following revenues are anticipated to be available to the City to complete the project:

Proceeds from General Fund Balance	416,666
City of Mebane	416,667
Alamance County	416,667
Golden Leaf Grant	250,000
Rural Center Grant	<u>500,000</u>
	\$2,000,000

Section 4. The following amounts are appropriated for this project:

Professional Services	240,000
Construction	1,510,000
Contingencies	<u>250,000</u>
	\$2,000,000

Section 5. The Finance Director shall report on the financial status of this project as directed by the City Council and will inform the Council of any unusual occurrences.

Section 6. Copies of this project ordinance shall be made available to the City Manager and the Finance Director for direction in carrying out this project.

Section 7. That this ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

This the 7th day of July, 2015.


Jerry Peterman - Mayor

ATTEST:


Darcy Sperry, City Clerk

Resolution by the City Council of the City of Graham Authorizing Application to the NCDOC Rural Economic Development Division Building Reuse Grant Program for Rural Health Care.

Mr. Maness explained that this is a request to approve the Resolution by the City Council of the City Of Graham Authorizing Application to the NCDOC Rural Economic Development Division Building Reuse Grant Program for Rural Health Care.

Mr. Maness added that the City of Graham is eligible to solicit grant funding through the Building Reuse Program under the Rural Grants/Programs Section of the North Carolina Department of Commerce to assist in the development of health care related jobs. He added that the Peak Resources project will invest ten million (\$10,000,000) dollars in Graham and will create forty (40) new jobs. Mr. Maness stated that this is an opportunity for the City to be a conduit to assist Peak Resources in their building. As part of their project, the City will see some sidewalk infrastructure as well as stormwater infrastructure that currently doesn't exist. Mr. Maness advised that Peak Resources has agreed to provide the required matching funds for the grant. The anticipated amount of the grant is four hundred thousand (\$400,000) dollars.

Council Member Kimrey asked Mr. Maness about the cash match. Mr. Maness explained that it's a five (5) percent match where the City will act as the responsible agency.

Mr. Skip Green, 123 Wingate Drive Clayton, NC, spoke on behalf of the project. He gave a brief overview of the Building Reuse Program. He added that with this project there will be no cost to the City as Peak Resources has agreed to pay for administrative costs incurred.

Mr. Boney asked what the benefit to the City was. Mayor Peterman answered that eventually the stormwater, hydrants and utilities will be deeded to the City. He added that the City is doing the paperwork because Peak Resources needs to have a municipality act as the conduit for this grant which will help Peak Resources cut their costs a little.

Council Member Turner made a motion to approve the Resolution by the City Council of the City of Graham Authorizing Application to the NCDOC Rural Economic Development Division Building Reuse Grant Program for Rural Health Care, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Linens. All voted in favor of the motion.

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RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAHAM AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE NCDOC RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION BUILDING REUSE GRANT PROGRAM FOR RURAL HEALTH CARE

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority (RIA) has authorized the awarding of grants from appropriated funds to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of building activities needed to create jobs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Graham desires assistance in financing a building project that may qualify for Rural Grants/Programs funding; and

WHEREAS, the City of Graham intends to request grant assistance for the new Peak of Graham, LLC nursing home facility project at 600 North Main from the Building Reuse Grant Program – Rural Health Care;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAHAM:

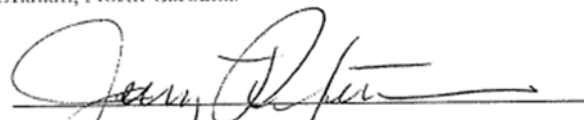
That the City of Graham will provide 5% of the Building Reuse Program Grant toward project construction costs, if approved for a grant with Peak Resources Inc. providing the match.

That Jerry Peterman, Mayor and successors so titled, is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the City of Graham with the Rural Grants/Programs Section for a grant to assist in the above-named Building Reuse project.

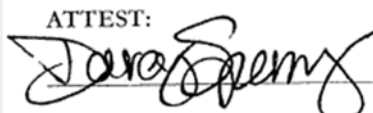
That Frankie Maness, City Manager, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as Rural Grants/Programs Section may request in connection with an application or with the project proposed; to make assurances as contained in the application; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That the City of Graham has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the project and to the grants pertaining thereto.

Adopted this the 7th day of July, 2015 at Graham, North Carolina.


Jerry Peterman, Mayor

ATTEST:


Clerk



Issues Not Included on Tonight's Agenda

Mayor Peterman advised that he was moving this item up on the agenda prior to Council going into Closed Session. No comments were forthcoming.

Closed Session Pursuant to the Terms of [*N.C.G.S. §. 143-318-11 \(a\) \(6\)*](#): to consider the performance of the City Manager and City Attorney.

At 8:29 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Linens made a motion to go into closed session to consider the performance of the City Manager and City Attorney pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318-11 (a) (6), seconded by Council Member Turner. All voted in favor of the motion.

At 9:53 p.m. Mayor Peterman reconvened the regular session. Mayor Peterman explained that the Council Members discussed City Attorney Keith Whited's performance and advised that Council and Mr. Maness feel Mr. Whited's job performance is very good. Mayor Peterman added that they would like to continue to retain Mr. Whited at his current rate of one hundred seventy-five (\$175) dollars per hour.

Mayor Peterman also explained that Council had discussed Mr. Maness' job performance and believe that this has been an exceptional year for the City of Graham and Mr. Maness has been a driving force to accomplish this. He added that they would like to congratulate him on a job well done but with the policy of pay raises as it currently stands, his salary will remain the same.

At 9:56 p.m. Council Member Turner made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Kimrey. All voted in favor of the motion.

Darcy Sperry, City Clerk