

**CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 9, 2019  
7:00 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Mayor Hartman** called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**2. FLAG SALUTE**

**Mayor Hartman** led the Council, Staff and Audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**3. ROLL CALL**

City Council

Matt Hartman	Present
Erin Hogan	Present
Bruce Straughn	Present
Tom FitzGerald	Present
Steve Glenn	Present

City Staff

City Clerk Darla Reese  
City Manager Brent Kirk

Consultants

Jeff Balentine, Belenus Solutions

**3. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. ACTION ITEM – Consideration of approval of proposal from Gray & Osborne for Engineering Design Services related to the 2019 Stanley Street and Cascade Avenue Sidewalk project**

**Councilmember Straughn** moved to approve proposal from Gray & Osborne, Inc. for Stanley Street and Cascade Avenue Sidewalk Design and Engineering services and authorization for City Manager to sign. Councilmember Hogan seconded. Motion Carried.

**B. Discussion on the City of Granite Falls 2018 Financials**

**Consultant Treasurer Balentine** presented the closed 2018 financials summarizing each of the Fund's actual annual results and how this compares to the results of prior years and the 2019 Budget.

**C. Discussion of the 2019 Legislative Priorities**

**City Manager Kirk** reviewed the 2018 Legislative Agenda for the City. He also added a list for the 2019 potential Agenda items along with Council additions to the list including:

- Money for Galena Street Extension
  - Include money for land acquisition costs

- Money for Sewer Capacity Improvements at WWTP (long-term over the next couple of years)
- Money for B&G Club Gymnasium & Support current existing ask (tied into the capital budget)
- Tear down existing church and use for parking now & possible municipal space in the future?
- Money for Improvements to Police Station
- Money for Food Bank Building and/or property (where should this be located? Property behind the Dog Park where they could use the pole building for storage?)

Council Comments and Suggestions:

Councilmember Glenn:

1. Galena Street Extension & show future need with it
  - Show future & need with it (future plan) – add aerial map (Brent add)
  - Design standards
  - Sound wall (Brent add)
  - Round-about idea (Brent add)
  - Mention population growth in general (Brent add)

Councilmember FitzGerald:

1. Galena Street Extension
2. Supporting the Ask of the Boys & Girls Club
3. Improving the Police Station
4. Sewer Treatment Plant
5. Miscellaneous – Supporting projects that are not necessarily in our city limits (join in with surrounding cities) – Regional Support
  - a. Finish Highway 522 project
  - b. Fix Highway 2 trestle without a toll

Councilmember Hogan:

1. Sewer Treatment Plant
2. Galena Street Extension
3. Boys & Girls Club
4. Police Station

Councilmember Straughn:

1. Police Station (point out need to make improvements is an ongoing revenue issue for the City as well)
- Asked about stormwater issues

\*This information will be taken and put together and run by Council once again on the first meeting in February. This will be gone over with the consensus of what is in the first and second positions.

## 6. ADJOURNMENT

**Mayor Hartman** adjourned the meeting.

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City Clerk Darla Reese, MMC

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Mayor Matthew Hartman