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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2004, IN THE COUNCIL-COURT ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 20025 MACK PLAZA, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Mayor Novitke.

Roll Call: Mayor Novitke
Council members: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Reynolds, Spicher
Absent: None

Also Present: Acting City Administrator Maison
City Attorney Berschback
City Clerk Warnke
Director of Public Works Ahee
Recording Clerk Murphy

The following Commission members were in attendance:

Beautification Advisory Commission - Carol Sauter
Citizen's Recreation Commission – Ruth Hoover
Planning Commission - Ahmed Ismail

Motion by Chylinski, seconded by Howle, that all items on tonight's agenda be received, placed on file, and taken in order of appearance.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

A presentation was made to the following individuals:

Proclamation - Joseph Sucher
Proclamation - Robert Frederick

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Motion by Granger, seconded by Howle, regarding the appointment to the **Citizens' Recreation Commission**, that the Council concur with the recommendation in the excerpt of the Citizens' Recreation Commission minutes of September 14, 2004, and make the following appointment:

NAME	ADDRESS	TERM EXPIRATION
Champney, Thomas P.	1646 Newcastle	12/31/04

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Reynolds, regarding the **Beautification Advisory Commission** that Council approve the minutes of the meeting dated August 11, 2004.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Chylinski, seconded by Howle, regarding the **Community Tree Commission, that** Council accept the recommendation in its minutes of September 1, 2004 and approve an Amendment to Bylaws for the Community Tree Commission under Section IV as follows:

Article IV Meetings The Community Tree Advisory Commission shall hold regular monthly meetings at the discretion of its members with the exception of January, July and August.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

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Motion by Chylinski, seconded by Howle, regarding the **Pension Board**, that Council approve the minutes dated June 23, 2004.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher

No: None

Absent: None

Motion by Chylinski, seconded by Spicher, regarding the recommendation of the **Pension Board** dated September 16, 2004, that Council approve the following for payment, which will be charged to the Pension Fund:

- Invoice dated August 18, 2004, Comerica, in the amount of \$6,973.91
- Invoice dated August 10, 2004, INVESCO National Asset Management in the amount of \$32,026.73
- To purchase Fiduciary Liability Coverage from Willis Corporation at a cost of \$5,250.00 to be charged to the pension fund account #731-237-976.000

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher

No: None

Absent: None

Motion by Chylinski, seconded by Spicher, regarding the recommendation of the **Pension Board**, that Council authorize the City Attorney to prepare an amending ordinance to the Retirement System Ordinance as follows:

Repeal of the following language in Section 2-131: "Any member may retire after attaining the age of 50 years and attaining 25 years of credited service. The City Administrator may retire with five or more years of credited service and after having attained 61 years of age." In addition, and redundancy in wording is to be review and corrected.

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Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Granger, seconded by Spicher, regarding the **2004 Congress of Cities – National League of Cities**, that Council appoint Council member Allen G. Dickinson as voting delegate and to serve at the 2004 Congress of Cities National League of Cities to be held on Saturday, December 4, 2004, in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Granger, seconded by Dickinson, regarding the **Financial Report** of the Acting City Administrator for the month of August 2004, that Council refer it to the Finance Committee for review.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Howle, seconded by Chylinski, regarding **2004 Tax Levy Wayne Community College District**, that the Council accept the resolution adopted on July 21, 2004, by the Board of Trustees of the Wayne County Community College District authorizing and directing monies to be raised by taxation for the purposes of said college district and that the school tax apportionments among the several cities and townships and fractions of cities and townships of the district, as described in the Resolution submitted, indicating the Operating Millage 2.844 Mills \$1,933,800.54 raised by the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, be accepted, and that the City Clerk send a certified copy of the resolution to the Bureau of Taxation, the City Assessor, and to the Clerk of the County of Wayne, as required by law.

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Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Granger, seconded by Howle, regarding **Cub Scout Pack #85 - Lake Front Park**, that Council APPROVE the request of Cub Scout Pack #85 from Monteith Elementary School to have an overnight campout at Lake Front Park on Friday, October 1, 2004.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Granger, seconded by Howle, regarding **Macomb Athletic Conference Area Tournament - Lake Front Park**, that Council approve the request of Grosse Pointe North High School to host the Macomb Athletic Conference Area Tournament on Tuesday, September 28, 2004 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and grant permission to use the Lake Front Park tennis courts for same.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Granger, seconded by Howle, regarding the **University-Liggett Tennis Team - Lake Front Park**, that Council approve the request of University-Liggett School's tennis coach to use the tennis courts at Lake Front Park on October 8 and 9, 2004 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to hold the Division IV tennis regionals.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

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Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Howle, regarding the **2004/05 General Liability/Property Insurance Coverage**, that Council award the premium proposal to:

**Municipal Insurance Alliance
42500 Hayes Road, Suite 500 C
Clinton Twp, Michigan 48038**

in the amount of \$279,423.00 to cover general liability and property and umbrella coverage which will expire on September 30, 2004, noting that it was determined by the Acting City Administrator there was no competitive advantage for the City to solicit bids from other agents.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Howle, seconded by Spicher, regarding the **Mack Avenue Irrigation System**, that Council award a contract to:

**Grosse Pointe Lawn Sprinklers, Inc.
18520 Mack Avenue
Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236**

in the amount of \$23,040.00, their bid being in the best interest of the City and to charge such to the following account #640-852-977.599, a budgeted item, to complete the irrigation in the Mack Avenue islands. This money will be taken from the Water and Sewer Bond Fund Money and such expenditure be debited from the bond money of the water-sewer fund.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

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Motion by Chylinski, seconded by Howle, regarding **Vehicle Purchase – Department of Public Works**, noting the Acting City Administrator does not believe any benefit would accrue to the city by seeking further competitive bids, that Council approve the purchase of a 2004 GMC W4500 crew cab and chassis cube van from a bid obtained from the Oakland County Bid Purchase Program at a total cost of \$39,069.00, and that the vehicle be purchased from

**Red Holman Pontiac
35300 Ford Road
Westland, MI 48185**

and to charge such amount to the following account #640-852-977.200, a budgeted item.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Chylinski, regarding **PROCLAMATIONS**, that Council voice no objection to the adoption of the following mayoral proclamations:

**National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month
Bible Week**

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

New Business:

Lollie Gerdstein – 1846 Severn; Rental Ordinance;
Council Member Granger – First English Evangelical Lutheran Church;

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Motion by Howle, seconded by Granger, that the Council recess the regularly scheduled Council meeting at 8:09 p.m. and reconvene in **closed executive session** for the purpose of discussing various topics at which time the Council may or may not reconvene in regular session to address additional items as necessary, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act 1976 PA 267.

Motion carried by the following ROLL CALL vote:

Council member	Yes	No
Chylinski	X	
Dickinson	X	
Granger	X	
Howle	X	
Novitke	X	
Reynolds	X	
Spicher	X	

Upon proper motion, the meeting was re-convened at 10:40 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motion by Chylinski, seconded by Granger, to authorize Acting City Administrator Maison, to ratify the four-year contract effective July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2007, between the City of Grosse Pointe Woods and the Police Officers Association of Michigan.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher

No: None

Absent: None

Motion by Chylinski, seconded by Granger, in regards to the **Pending Litigation**, the Council authorizes the City Attorney to proceed with the direction as provided with in the closed session tonight.

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Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Chylinski, seconded by Granger, to authorize Acting City Administrator Maison to sign appropriate paperwork, for the **Background Checks** of the three candidates for the City Administrator position and that the contract shall be awarded to Pinkerton Corporation, with payment amount discussed in tonight's closed session and that results will be returned to City Attorney Berschback.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Chylinski, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Spicher
No: None
Absent: None

Upon proper motion, meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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