

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, MAY 17, 2010, 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: Boddy, Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Sucher
Absent: None

Also Present: City Administrator Wollenweber
City Attorney Chip Berschback
Treasurer/Comptroller Irby
City Clerk Hathaway
Director of Public Safety Fincham
Director of Public Works Ahee

The following Commission Members were in attendance:

Carroll Evola, Planning Commission

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Sucher, 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: Boddy, Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Granger, regarding **2010 Perch Derby**, that the City Council concur with the Citizens Recreation Commission at their meeting on May 11, 2010, and approve a total amount not to exceed \$1,000.00 to cover expenses for the 2010 Perch Derby.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Boddy, Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher
No: None
Absent: None

The meeting was thereupon opened at 7:42 p.m. for a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2010/11 Proposed Budget with all Council Members present.

Motion by Howle, seconded by Boddy, that for purposes of public hearing, the following items be received and placed on file:

1. Proposed Budget and Appropriation Resolution
2. Memo 05/11/10 – City Administrator & Treasurer/Comptroller
3. Letter 05/13/10 – City Attorney
4. Affidavit of Legal Publication

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Boddy, Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher
No: None
Absent: None

The City Administrator provided a budget overview. The City Administrator and Treasurer/Comptroller spoke in favor of the proposed budget and recommended that it be adopted as presented. No one wished to speak in opposition to the proposed budget.

Hearing no objections, the public hearing closed at 7:48 p.m.

Motion by Sucher, seconded by Granger, that the City Council adopt the proposed Resolution approving the FY 2010/11 Budget and Millage Rate, as follows:

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS
BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a public notice has been previously given, as required by City Charter and State of Michigan Public Act 5 of 1982, that a public hearing would be held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 17, 2010, for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed 2010-11 City Budget and the intent to levy Property Tax Revenues within the said City of Grosse Pointe Woods; and;

WHEREAS, a full and final public hearing has been held on proposed 2010-11 City Budget, and the proposed Increase in Property Taxes, it is therefore the opinion and judgment of Council that the aforesaid proposed 2010-11 City Budget is in all things appropriate, correct and should be approved and that the property Tax Levy to finance the 2010-11 City Budget should be approved accordingly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, that the proposed 2010-11 City Budget and the proposed property Tax Levy for the fiscal year 2010-11 as finally reviewed (and/or changed by) the Council at this public hearing be adopted and the amounts as contained in the aforesaid budget should be appropriated as designated and property tax levied accordingly.

BE IT RESOLVED that there are those sums of revenue which are deemed necessary to be raised by ad valorem tax levies on all real and personal property within the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, and that the City Clerk be and is hereby directed to certify such amounts to the City Assessor for the spread on the 2010 City Tax Roll at the rate of 11.506 mills per thousand of the current City of Grosse Pointe Woods taxable valuation for general operations; at the rate of .0590 per thousand of the current City of Grosse Pointe Woods taxable valuation for Act 359 Public Relations; at the rate of .3578 mills per thousand of the current City of Grosse Pointe Woods taxable valuation for Advanced Emergency Medical Services; at the rate of .9362 per thousand of the current City of Grosse Pointe Woods taxable value for Public Safety Retirement purposes; at the rate of 1.8807 mills per thousand of the current City of Grosse Pointe Woods taxable valuation for Solid Waste.

CERTIFICATION

I, Lisa Kay Hathaway, Clerk of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, do hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Council on May 17, 2010, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be, or have been, made available as required by said Act.

Lisa Kay Hathaway, MMC
City Clerk

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Boddy, Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher
No: None
Absent: None

Kathy Harvel, AccuMed Representative, was heard regarding the proposed **ambulance mileage fee increase.**

Motion by Howle, seconded by Bryant, regarding **Ambulance (AccuMed) Fee Increase**, that the City Council approve an ambulance mileage fee increase from \$9.50 to \$11.00.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Boddy, Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher

No: None

Absent: None

Motion by Granger, seconded by Howle, regarding **ambulance billing/payment policy**, that the City Council refer this item to the Committee-of-the-Whole to discuss co-pays, deductibles, soft billing, and a credit card payment option.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Boddy, Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher

No: None

Absent: None

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Bryant, regarding **Ghesquiere Park Use Request**, that the City Council approve the request of William and Dorothy Taylor to use a portion of Ghesquiere Park to host a fundraiser on July 11, 2010, as requested in their letter dated May 3, 2010, provided that the event date does not interfere with scheduled activities in the park, the Director of Public Works is not opposed, insurance is provided, and no alcohol be used in the park.

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Bryant, to amend the previous motion by adding, “. , and that the Certificate of Liability Insurance lists the City of Grosse Pointe Woods as an additional insured entity.”

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Boddy, Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher

No: None

Absent: None

Motion by Granger, seconded by Boddy, regarding **replacement of Communications Coordinator**, that the City Council authorize administration to hire Janette E. Treuter to fill the position of Communications Coordinator at a rate of \$19.00 per hour, a part-time position not to exceed 1,200 hours per year.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Boddy, Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Sucher, seconded by Bryant, regarding the monthly **Financial Report – April 2010**, be referred to the Finance Committee for review.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Boddy, Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Howle, seconded by Boddy, regarding the **City Tree Removal Contract**, that the Council award a two-year contract (July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2012) to:

Michigan Tree Service
30528 Garfield
Roseville, MI 48066

For tree removal services, in a total amount not to exceed \$37,000 per fiscal year (\$12,000 from Acct. No. 202-465-818.000; \$25,000 from Acct. No. 203-465-818.000), contingent upon approval of the 2011/12 budget.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Boddy, Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher
No: None
Absent: None

Hearing no objections, the following items were discussed under New Business:

- Hearing no objections, the Mayor will, on behalf of City Council, prepare a congratulatory letter recognizing eleven Cub Scouts of Pack 290 for having received the Arrow of Light Award.
- Council Member Sucher discussed the E911 revenue shortfall.

Motion by Sucher, seconded by Bryant, regarding E911 Monies, that the referenced memo from the City Administrator and Treasurer/Comptroller dated May 12, 2010, be referred to the Finance Committee.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Boddy, Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher

No: None

Absent: None

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Boddy, to adjourn tonight's meeting at 8:23 p.m.
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kay Hathaway
City Clerk