

MINUTES OF THE RESCHEDULED CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2008, IN THE COUNCIL-COURT ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 20025 MACK PLAZA, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Novitke.

Roll Call: Mayor Novitke
Council members: Bryant, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Sucher, Waldmeir
Absent: None

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

The following Commission members were in attendance:

Thomas Fahrner, Mayor's Mack Avenue Study Committee
Janet Hagen, Beautification Commission

Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Bryant, 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: Bryant, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Sucher, Waldmeir
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Waldmeir, seconded by Bryant, regarding the **appointment – Local Officers' Compensation Commission**, that Council voice no objection to the following mayoral re-appointment:

Name	Address	Term Expiration
Richard Johnson	19925 Williams Ct. E.	09/30/13

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Sucher, Waldmeir
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Howle, seconded by Dickinson, regarding **purchase: DPW work platform and hydraulic system**, that the City Council concur with the recommendation of the City Administrator and Director of Public Works and authorize the **purchase of a work platform and hydraulic system** from:

NBC Truck Equipment, Inc.
28130 Groesbeck Hwy.
Roseville, MI 48066

At a cost not to exceed \$21,483.00, for installation on an existing GMC Sierra 3500 flatbed sign truck, and that the expenditure be charged against the 2008/09 budget year, Account No. 640-852-977.599.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Sucher, Waldmeir
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Granger, seconded by Waldmeir, regarding **use of Lake Front Park – Cub Scout Camp Out**, that Council approve Cub Scout Pack #85's request to utilize the Lake Front Park to hold a campout on Friday, September 19, 2008.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Sucher, Waldmeir
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Waldmeir, seconded by Howle, regarding **parade request – Grosse Pointe North High School Homecoming**, that Council approve this parade request to be held on September 26, 2008.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Sucher, Waldmeir
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Howle, regarding **Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) - Municipal & Community Credit Contract**, that the Council authorize the Mayor to sign the Municipal Credit and Community Credit Contract for FY 2008-09 with SMART authorizing the City to receive \$16,051.00 in Municipal Credits and \$24,438.00 in Community Credits to fund PAATS, charter bus services, subsidize taxi, and related administrative fees.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Sucher, Waldmeir
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Waldmeir, regarding **2008 fall tree planting**, that the Council award a contract to:

James Brothers Landscape
23216 Telegraph
Brownstown, MI 48134

At total cost not to exceed \$25,000.00, to purchase 146 trees, their bid being in the best interest of the City, funds to be taken from the 2008/09 budget, Account No. 401-902-977.400.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Sucher, Waldmeir
No: None
Absent: None

Administration was directed to review whether there would be any benefit to the City to purchase trees jointly with the other Grosse Pointes.

Motion by Waldmeir, seconded by Sucher, regarding **2008 Property and Liability Insurance Coverage**, that the Council award a two-year contract to the lowest qualified bidder:

Municipal Insurance Alliance (M.I.A.)
Stevenson Co.
48597 Hayes Rd.
Shelby Twp., MI 48315

At a cost of \$151,909.00 per year, for a total cost for two years not to exceed \$303,818.00, contract term effective October 1, 2008, through September 30, 2011, subject to annual budget appropriation, their bid being in the best interest of the City.

Motion by Waldmeir, seconded by Sucher, regarding 2008 Property and Liability Insurance Coverage, to amend the previous motion by deleting "2011" and inserting "2010."

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Sucher, Waldmeir
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Waldmeir, seconded by Bryant, regarding Proposed Ordinance to Amend **Chapter 50, Zoning, Sections 50-1, 50-313, 50-314, 50-316, 50-317, and 50-530** of the City Code of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods of 1997, that this item be removed from tonight's agenda and that no action be taken.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Sucher, Waldmeir
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Granger, seconded by Waldmeir, that the Proposed Ordinance to Amend **Chapter 32, Signs, Section 32-35, grandfathering clause; neon, to add Section 32-35(4) by providing for a 24 month expiration date for neon signs**, of the City Code of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods of 2007 be considered as a "**First Reading**";

And that such Ordinance, be placed on the agenda of the Council meeting scheduled for October 6, 2008, as a Second Reading, and for final adoption, and to be published by title in the Grosse Pointe News.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Dickinson, Granger, Novitke, Sucher, Waldmeir

No: Bryant, Howle

Absent: None

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Waldmeir, regarding **advertising invoices**, that the City Council approve payment of the following:

- 1) Grosse Pointe news 08/07/08 - \$225.00;
- 2) Grosse Pointe News 08/21/08 - \$225.00.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Sucher, Waldmeir

No: None

Absent: None

Motion by Howle, seconded by Dickinson, that the Labor Attorney statements dated August 1, 2008, be approved for payment:

- 1) Keller Thoma - \$5,302.37.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Sucher, Waldmeir

No: None

Absent: None

Motion by Sucher, seconded by Waldmeir, that the City Attorney statements dated September 2, 2008, from the City Attorneys be approved for payment:

City Attorney Don Berschback in the amount of \$8,525.00;
City Attorney Charles Berschback in the amount of \$8,540.00.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Sucher, Waldmeir
No: None
Absent: None

Under New Business, hearing no objections, Council Member Sucher was heard regarding the **Water Study**. Administration was requested to call a meeting with Council Members Sucher and Dickinson to analyze information.

Motion by Waldmeir, seconded by Bryant, that the Council recess the regularly scheduled Council meeting at 7:55 p.m. and convene in Closed Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a legal opinion at which time the City 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:

Howle Yes
Novitke Yes
Sucher Yes
Waldmeir Yes
Bryant Yes
Dickinson Yes
Granger Yes

The meeting of the Regular City Council reconvened at 8:22 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kay Hathaway
City Clerk