

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2007, IN THE COUNCIL-COURT ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 20025 MACK PLAZA, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Mayor Novitke.

Roll Call: Mayor Novitke
Council members: Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Reynolds, Waldmeir
Absent: Spicher

Also Present: City Attorney Berschback
City Clerk Hathaway
Director of Public Safety Makowski
Director of Public Works Ahee
Building Inspector Tutag

Motion by Reynolds, seconded by Howle, that Council Member Spicher be excused from tonight's meeting.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The following Commission Members were in attendance:

Grant Gilezan, Planning Commission
Jerry Hilton, Beautification Commission
Arthur Bryant, Beautification Commission
Thomas Fahrner, Mack Avenue Business
George Grayr, Tree Commission
Joseph Sucher, Planning Commission

Motion by Waldmeir, 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: Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Reynolds, Waldmeir
No: None
Absent: Spicher

THE MEETING WAS THEREUPON OPENED AT 7:37 P.M. FOR A PUBLIC HEARING IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 10, BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS, ARTICLE IX, FENCES, SECTION 10-321, ET AL, TO HEAR THE APPLICATION OF JO ANN HINDS, 823 FAIRFORD ROAD, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, FOR PERMISSION TO ERECT A 5'5" SOLID PRIVACY FENCE ALONG THE SOUTH AND WEST LOT LINES.

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

1. Letter 05/15/07 – JoAnn Hinds
2. Application for Fence Permit 05/09/07
3. Survey
4. Photo of New Fence
5. Photos of Old Fence (4)
6. Memo 05/29/07 – Building Inspector
7. Notice of Hearing
8. Affidavit of Property Owners Notified
9. Aerial View

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The Chair asked if anyone from the audience wished to speak in favor of the proposed request. The following individuals were heard:

George Grayr
1998 Fairway Dr.

Nadine Winiarski
809 Fairford

JoAnn Hinds
823 Fairford

Leonard Schim
837 Fairford Rd.

Laura Joseph
1999 West William Ct.

The Chair asked if anyone from the audience wished to speak in opposition to the proposed request. No one wished to be heard.

Motion by Reynolds, seconded by Waldmeir, that the public hearing BE CLOSED at 7:42 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motion by Howle, supported by Waldmeir, regarding Public Hearing regarding fence variance – JoAnn Hinds, 823 Fairford Road, who is requesting to install a 5'5" solid privacy fence along the south and west lot lines, that the Council grant this variance, contingent upon the existing fencing being removed, and that construction commence within six months, and complete within one year.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Reynolds, seconded by Howle, regarding **2007 Grosse Pointe Garden Center Annual Summer Garden Tour**, that the City Council concur with the Director of Public Safety and grant permission to the Grosse Pointe Garden Center to place six-foot marker flags in various locations in Grosse Pointe Woods to announce the garden tour event on June 22 and June 23 to be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on such days with the condition that the flags will be removed at the end of each tour day.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Waldmeir, regarding **AAUW book sale**, that the City Council approve the AAUW Book Sale Room Rental Agreement that the \$1,060 room rental rate remain in effect for 2007 with a damage deposit of \$250.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Waldmeir, seconded by Howle, regarding **parade request – Grosse Pointe North High School Homecoming**, that Council approve such parade request of the above organization to take place on September 21, 2007, with the procession route starting at Monteith Elementary School down Cook Road to Morningside to Grosse Pointe North High School, contingent upon receipt of proper liability insurance indemnifying the city.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Waldmeir, that the City Council concur with the recommendation of the City Administrator and the Director of Public Safety and authorize the **purchase of a 2007 Pontiac Vibe**, for a total cost of \$16,233.00 from:

Red Holman Pontiac
35300 Ford Rd.
Westland, MI 48185

And that the expenditure be charged against the 2006/07 budget year.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Howle, seconded by Reynolds, regarding **Agreement-Court Recording Clerk**, that the City Council approve such Agreement and authorize the Mayor and City Administrator to execute the agreement for Shirley Wohlfield, effective July 1, 2007,

through June 30, 2008, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00, the budgeted amount for FY 2007/08, and authorize the City Administrator to sign said Agreement.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Dickinson that the following ordinances be considered as a second reading and that such ordinances be adopted and that the same be posted in five places in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter:

- Ordinance to Amend **Chapter 90, Vegetation, Article IV Weeds, to provide responsibilities for owners and occupants of land regarding maintenance of weeds, brush and grass a public nuisance, and to provide for procedures to abate nuisances including payment of costs** of the City Code of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods of 1997;
- Ordinance to Amend **Chapter 1, General Provisions, by adding Section 1-16, single lot assessments to provide procedures for assessing costs for expenses incurred by the City relating to single lots and providing procedures for recording liens and single lots and providing procedures for recording liens on single lots** of the City Code of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods of 1997;
- Ordinance to repeal **Chapter 90, Vegetation, Article IV Weeds; Section 90-106 through 90-110 of the City Code of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods of 1997** of the City Code of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods of 1997.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Waldmeir, that the City Attorney statements dated May 30, 2007 from the City Attorneys BE APPROVED for payment:

City Attorney Don Berschback in the amount of \$9,112.50
City Attorney Charles Berschback in the amount of \$10,132.00

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Howle, seconded by Granger, regarding **purchase orders**, that the City Council refer the item regarding open purchase order for the list of vendors as provided for the remainder of the 2006/07 fiscal year and for the projected amount for the 2007/08 fiscal year to the Committee-of-the-Whole for review.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Under New Business, the following items were heard:

The following individual was heard regarding the District Library Agreement:

Anna Kondak
740 Hawthorne

Council Members commended the Memorial Day Services held at the Circle of Honor and the City and Grosse Pointe North's joint Flower sale.

Motion by Reynolds, seconded by Waldmeir, to adjourn tonight's meeting at 8:13 p.m.
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kay Hathaway
City Clerk