

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2006, 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: Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Spicher, Waldmeir  
Absent: Reynolds

Also Present: City Administrator Wollenweber  
City Attorney Berschback  
City Clerk Hathaway  
Director of Public Works Ahee

Motion by Spicher, seconded by Howle, to excuse Council Member Reynolds from tonight's meeting.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The following Commission members were in attendance:

Carol Sauter, Beautification Commission  
Lee Allcut, Board of Canvassers  
Ross Richardson, Planning Commission  
Nancy Hames, Planning Commission

Motion by Waldmeir, seconded by Granger, 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, Spicher, Waldmeir  
No: None  
Absent: Reynolds

Frank Orlando of Alexander and Polen Meat Market, was presented the Michigan Recreation and Park Association's Community Service Award.

Motion by Granger, seconded by Waldmeir, regarding **Board of Election Inspectors**, that Council concur with the recommendation of the Election Commission (composed of Council member Darryl Spicher, City Clerk Lisa Hathaway, and City Attorney Don R. Berschback) and certify the appointment of same, including compensation as recommended.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Spicher, regarding **Assessor's request for additional hours**, that the City Council concur with the recommendation of the Compensation & Evaluation Committee at their meeting on April 3, 2006, and approve the City Assessor to work an additional 200 hours for the FY 2005/06.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Waldmeir, regarding the **Memorial Day Band**, that the City Council concur with the recommendation of the Historical Commission at their meeting on February 9, 2006, and approve an amount not to exceed \$600 for the Mel Stander Band to play at the Memorial Day ceremony at the Circle of Honor.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Spicher, regarding **filming the Memorial Day ceremony**, that the City Council concur with the recommendation of the Historical Commission at their meeting on February 9, 2006, and approve an amount not to exceed \$300 for Chuck Kuhawka to film at the Memorial Day ceremony at the Circle of Honor.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor accepted with regret the resignation of Juliette G. Zaranek from the Historical Commission and directed the City Clerk to forward a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of Ms. Zaranek's many years of civic service.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Howle, seconded by Dickinson, regarding **2006 International City/County Management Association (ICMA) Conference**, that Council AUTHORIZE the City Administrator to attend such conference to be held in San Antonio, TX, from September 10-13, 2006, in an amount not to exceed \$2,200, and to reimburse such official for costs incurred upon presentation and verification by the Finance Committee of an itemized expense report, contingent upon approval of the 2006/07 budget.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Howle, regarding 2006 **Beautification Advisory Commission Flower Sale**, that Council AUTHORIZE the following:

1. To conduct the 2006 BAC Flower sale on the front lawn of the City Hall on the following dates and times:
  - Friday, May 12, 2006; 10 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
  - Saturday, May 13, 2006; 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
2. The Director of Public Works assist in the following:
  - a. Display the flower sale announcement banner between the two front columns of the City Hall on or about April 11, 2006.
  - b. Repaint the flower sale announcement sign to reflect the above dates and times.
  - c. Place the flower sale announcement sign on the city property in front of the City Hall, located close enough to Mack Avenue so it may be visible to passing traffic. The placement of the sign is requested on or about April 11, 2006.
  - d. Deliver the "BAC Basket Display Racks" to the City Hall on Thursday, May 11, 2006.
  - e. Make available a truck(s) and deliver(s) to obtain cement lawn ornaments from Eaglestone Products in Roseville on Friday, May 11, 2006, between 9:30 a.m. and 10 a.m.
  - f. Deliver and set up the City tent between the two large evergreen trees in front of City Hall on Thursday, May 11, 2006.
3. Request the Director of Public Safety park a police vehicle in front of the City Hall on the evening of Friday, May 12, 2006, to serve as a deterrent to any possible vandals.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Spicher, Waldmeir

No: None

Absent: Reynolds

Motion by Howle, seconded by Waldmeir, regarding **Application for Permit/License – Vendor/Solicitor/Peddler**, request by D & D Furniture Carriers; J. Willis, 288 Stacey Lane, Thomasville, NC, that the City Council deny this request.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

There was a consensus of the City Council that the City Attorney be directed to look further at this matter by obtaining additional information regarding the Petitioner's background.

Motion by Granger, seconded by Howle, regarding **2005-06 Delinquent Sidewalk Invoices**, that, in accordance with Section 86-176, "Entry of delinquent charges on general tax roll; enforcement of lien," of the 1997 City Code, and in concurrence with the City Administrator, City Comptroller, and the Director of Public Works, that Council resolve to assess unpaid sidewalk invoices to the property owners listed on the Sidewalk Delinquent Roll dated March 31, 2006, in the amounts indicated.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

There was a consensus of the City Council that Cliff Maison is the City Comptroller, rather than the Finance Director, and that correspondence be signed as such.

Motion by Howle, seconded by Granger, regarding **2005-06 Delinquent Misc. Outstanding Invoices**, that, in accordance with Section 86-176, "Entry of delinquent charges on general tax roll; enforcement of lien," of the 1997 City Code, and in concurrence with the City Comptroller, that Council resolve to assess unpaid miscellaneous invoices to the property owners of the described properties in the amounts indicated in the Finance Director's memo dated April 10, 2006.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Howle, that the Financial Report of the City Administrator for the month of March 2006 be referred to the Finance Committee for review.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Spicher, Waldmeir

No: None

Absent: Reynolds

Motion by Spicher, seconded by Dickinson, regarding **bark mulch for City landscape beds**, that the Council AWARD a contract to:

Ground EFX  
50857 Card Road  
Macomb, MI 48044

in an amount not to exceed \$15,987.50, their bid being in the best interest of the City, to perform bark mulch and injection services for the City landscape beds.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Spicher, Waldmeir

No: None

Absent: Reynolds

Motion by Howle, seconded by Spicher, regarding the **City Tree Removal Contract**, that the Council AWARD a contract to:

Arbor Pro Tree Service  
425 Barclay Road  
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

in an amount not to exceed \$25,000, their bid being in the best interest of the City, for tree removal services contingent upon the 2006/07 budget.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

City Administrator Wollenweber provided an overview regarding the **Sunningdale Park Repaving Project – Sunningdale to Vernier**. He summarized there was a consensus of the Construction Committee to add a section of repaving to the Tiseo Brothers, Inc. contract to include the area from the island to Sunningdale (total project from Vernier Road to Lochmoor) at an additional cost of \$145,000, increasing the overall project cost to an amount not to exceed \$555,000.00.

Motion by Granger, seconded by Howle, regarding Sunningdale Park Repaving Project – Sunningdale to Vernier, that the Council include an additional section of Sunningdale Park from the island to Sunningdale, making the total project Vernier Road to Lochmoor, which will add an additional \$145,000.00 to the original bid, and award a change order contract to:

Tiseo Brothers, Inc.  
68660 Hillside  
Washington Twp., MI 48095

in the amount of \$462,977.51, and to include construction, engineering, contract administration, and contingencies in the amount of \$92,022.50, for a total project cost not to exceed \$555,000.00, contingent upon approval of the 2006/07 budget.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Howle, regarding **Sunningdale Park Water Main Project – Sunningdale to Vernier**, that the City Council AWARD a change order contract to:

ADJ Excavating, Inc.  
47301 Feathered Court  
Shelby Twp., MI 48315

in the amount of \$79,212.89, and to include construction, engineering, contract administration, and contingencies in the amount of \$10,787,11, for a total project cost not to exceed \$90,000, contingent upon approval of the 2006/07 budget subject to the City Attorney's review of documentation with the Grosse Pointe Public Schools.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Howle, seconded by Granger, regarding **Milk River Bridge Removal Project**, that the Council AWARD a contract to:

Galui Construction, Inc.  
33805 Harper Ave.  
Clinton Twp, MI 48095

in the amount of \$358,779.00, and to include construction, engineering, inspection, contract administration, and contingencies in the amount of \$46,221.00, for a total project cost not to exceed \$405,000.00, contingent upon approval of the 2006/07 budget.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Spicher, regarding **2006 Sidewalk and Driveway Approach Replacement Program - District 8**, that the Council AWARD a contract to:



Gaglio P&R Cement Co.  
13320 Mortenvue  
Taylor, MI 48180

in the amount of \$258,227.25, and to include construction, engineering, contract administration, and contingencies in the amount of \$41,722.25, for a total project cost not to exceed \$300,000.00, their bid being in the best interest of the City, contingent upon approval of the 2006/07 budget.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Spicher, regarding **2006 Sidewalk System Billing Roll for District #8 and Mack Avenue** dated April 7, 2006, and in concurrence with the recommendations of the City Administrator and Director of Public Works, the City Council hereby resolves in accordance with Section 11.5, 11.9, and 2.2(u)(v) of the City's Charter of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, the City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods does hereby assess the cost of installing and repairing sidewalks to the property owners of the following described properties as listed in the Sidewalk System Billing Roll dated April 7, 2006.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Howle, seconded by Waldmeir, regarding the **Proclamation – Days of Remembrance** that Council voice NO OBJECTION to the adoption of the Mayoral Proclamation in remembrance of those affected by the Holocaust.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Howle, seconded by Waldmeir, regarding the **Proclamation – Child Abuse Prevention Month**, that Council voice NO OBJECTION to the adoption of a Proclamation regarding

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Spicher, Waldmeir

No: None

Absent: Reynolds

New Business, hearing no objections, the following items were discussed:

The Mayor asked City Council to submit nominations for "Business Person of the Year" as requested by the **Metro East Chamber of Commerce**. Nominations are to be submitted to Council Member Dickinson by May 1.

The Mayor indicated he received a request from the **Grosse Pointe Business and Professional Association of Mack Avenue** to hold an event sponsored by the Association entitled, "Your Dreams Come True" scheduled to be held May 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., which will be held on City property in front of City Hall. The City Administrator was directed to communicate final details to City Council.

Motion by Granger, seconded by Waldmeir, regarding Grosse Pointe Business and Professional Association of Mack Avenue's request to *Your Dreams Come True*, that City Council approve the use of City Hall grounds for the event to be held Wednesday, May 17, 2006, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Dickinson, Granger, Howle, Novitke, Spicher, Waldmeir

No: None

Absent: Reynolds

Motion by Spicher, seconded by Waldmeir, to adjourn tonight's meeting at 8:34 p.m.  
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.