

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE
POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 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, Reynolds, Spicher, Waldmeir
Absent: None

Also Present: City Administrator Wollenweber
City Attorney Berschback
City Clerk Hathaway

The following Commission members were in attendance:

Gerry Hilton, Beautification
Nancy Hames, Planning
Marge Kinglsey, Beautification
John Parthum, Historical
Suzanne Kent, Historical
Nancy Patek, Historical
Lee Allcut, Board of Canvassers
Douglas Hamborsky, Planning

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

Motion by Howle, seconded by Dickinson, regarding **Historical Commission Appointments**, that Council voice NO OBJECTION to the following mayoral re-appointments:

| Name | Address | Term Expiration |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Parthum, John | 1208 Elford Ct. | 12/31/08 |
| Ferry, Mary Kay | 500 Saddle Lane | 12/31/08 |
| D'Agostino, Colleen | 2121 Stanhope | 12/31/08 |
| Murphy, Sean | 903 Woods Lane | 12/31/08 |

And the following mayoral appointment:

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| Michaelson, Gordon | 1572 Cook | 12/31/08 |
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Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Hearing no objections the mayoral **appointments to the Community Tree Commission** were postponed to the January 16, 2006, City Council Meeting.

Hearing no objections the mayoral **appointments to the Beautification Commission** were postponed to the January 16, 2006, City Council Meeting.

Motion by Waldmeir, seconded by Spicher, regarding **Senior Citizens Commission Appointments**, that Council voice NO OBJECTION to the following mayoral re-appointment:

| Name | Address | Term Expiration |
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| Zedan, Mary | 19949 Williams Ct. E. | 12/31/08 |

And the following mayoral appointments:

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| Mitts, Mary | 20049 Fairway | 12/31/08 |
| Wilson, Bill | 20661 Wedgewood | 12/31/08 |

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| Nelson, Mary Rose SOC Rep | 1915 Fleetwood | 12/31/06 |
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Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Hearing no objections, the mayoral **appointments to the Community Enhancement Fund Advisory Board** were postponed to the January 16, 2006, City Council Meeting.

Motion by Reynolds, seconded by Spicher, regarding the Building Authority Appointment, that Council approve the following re-appointment:

| Chair | Term Expiration |
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| Maison, Cliff | 12/31/08 |

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Reynolds, seconded by Waldmeir, regarding **Downspout Board of Appeals Appointments**, that Council voice NO OBJECTION to the following mayoral re-appointments:

| Name | Member | Address | Term Expiration |
|-----------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Hendrick, Kevin | Resident | 1035 Roslyn | 09/30/08 |
| Lockwood, Scott | City Engineer | 2830 Lamplighter Lane, Bloomfield | 09/30/08 |

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Waldmeir, seconded by Reynolds, regarding **Construction Board of Appeals Appointments**, that Council voice NO OBJECTION to the following mayoral re-appointments:

| Name | Address | Term Expiration |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Vitale, John | 20771 Wedgewood | 12/31/07 |
| Kiehler, Walter | 533 Hawthorne | 12/31/07 |

And the following mayoral appointments:

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| Morrissett, Donald | 749 Roslyn | 12/31/08 |
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Motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion by Spicher, seconded by Granger, regarding the **Local Officers Compensation Commission Appointment**, that Council voice NO OBJECTION to the following mayoral appointment:

| Name | Address | Term Expiration |
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| Zak, Dennis | 19964 Emory Ct. E. | 09/30/10 |

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Granger, regarding the **Board of Canvassers Appointments**, that Council approve following re-appointments:

| Name | Address | Term Expiration |
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| Allcut, Leland | 1952 Hunt Club | 12/31/09 |
| Kondak, Nicholas | 740 Hawthorne | 12/31/09 |

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The following transcript was entered into the official record as requested by Council Member Dona DeSantis Reynolds:

"Well, this also has to do with the December 19th meeting and um, I was very upset and I feel that you as Mayor owe me a public apology for the manner in which you spoke to me at that meeting on December 19th. You publicly treated me with profound disrespect and contempt because I voiced a position contrary to yours concerning the appointment of the new City Clerk. Mr. Mayor, as the Mayor, Mr. Novitke, as the Mayor of Grosse Pointe Woods, I would expect that you would act in a professional manner and not speak to me or anyone else with such profound disrespect. I am every bit as elected to this Council as you are and I have as much right as you do to state my positions on matters that come before this Council without being treated in a dismissive or condescending manner by you. I happen to have the interest of this City at heart. A constituency that rightfully expects me to do everything I can to make this City a better place to live and to work has elected me to this office. I do not intend to let my constituency down. I would not expect you as a Mayor to exert your power to be demeaning, belittling or to use intimidating tactics in an attempt to silence people who disagree with you. I am asking for a public apology for the above reasons, and I would like this statement to be placed verbatim on the official record."

Following discussion, the City Council Minutes dated December 19, 2005, were approved as corrected.

The Chair directed the City Attorney to provide a legal opinion regarding verbatim transcripts being entered into minutes.

THE MEETING WAS THEREUPON OPENED AT 8:03 P.M. FOR A PUBLIC HEARING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) ADVISORY COMMISSION'S WRITTEN POLICY SECTION 24CFR(92) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1995, WHICH REQUIRES THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE

PURPOSE OF OBTAINING CITIZEN INPUT AND APPROVAL OF THE **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ESTIMATED BUDGET** FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2006/07:

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

1. Memo 01-06-06 – City Administrator
2. Notice of Hearing 12-29-05

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The City Administrator provided an overview of the 2006/07 Program Year estimated budget.

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The Chair asked if anyone from the audience wished to speak IN FAVOR of the proposed request. City Administrator Wollenweber recommended adopting the proposed budget as outlined below.

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 Granger, that the public hearing be closed at 8:07 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motion by Granger, seconded by Howle, regarding the proposed Community Development Block Grant Estimated Budget for Program Year 2006/07, concur with the City Administrator's recommendation and approve the following allocation:

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| 1. Senior Services: | |
| a. Services for Older Citizens (SOC) | \$ 32,000 |
| b. Senior Citizens Coordinators | 28,000 |
| 2. Pointe Area Assisted Transportation Services | 12,000 |
| 3. Improved Handicapped Accessibility | 4,000 |
| 4. Administration | <u>8,000</u> |

Total **\$ 84,000**

***Additional funds, if received, would be allocated to Improved Handicapped Accessibility.**

Motion by Granger, seconded by Howle, regarding the proposed Community Development Block Grant Estimated Budget for Program Year 2006/07, and amend the previous motion to include, "And if additional funds are received up to \$5,000 that the additional funds be used to purchase handicapped accessible pads."

Motion carried by the following:

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

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Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Waldmeir, that the Council APPROVE the **2006 Annual Commission Appreciation Reception** scheduled for February 3, 2006, and authorize the City Administrator to expend funds not to exceed \$7,500 for such reception.

Hearing no objections, Council Member Howle recused herself from voting on this item.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Waldmeir, regarding **Resignation/Retirement – City Clerk**, that the Council accept City Clerk, Louise Warnke's, resignation as required by Section 5.3 of the City Charter, in accordance with her letter dated September 27, 2005.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: None

Motion by Granger, seconded by Howle, regarding **Vendor License – Refuse - Stehley**, that the Council APPROVE the 2006 application of the following vendor:

George William Stehley, Jr.
19671 Albion
Detroit, MI 48234

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

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Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Granger, regarding **Vendor License – Refuse - Brewart**, that the Council APPROVE the 2006 application of the following vendor:

Charles J. Brewart
22117 Karam Ct.
Warren, MI 48091

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The Chair directed the City Attorney to provide vendor information to City Council regarding hours of solicitation and whether identification can be required.

Motion by Spicher, seconded by Howle, that the following statements from the City Attorneys BE APPROVED for payment:

Statement dated December 28, 2005 - City Attorney Don Berschback in the amount of \$6,425.50;

Statement dated December 28, 2005 – City Attorney Charles Berschback in the amount of \$6,272.50.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Under New Business:

Hearing no objections, the following individual wished to be heard regarding Brys Drive traffic follow-up:

Richard Shetler
2000 Lennon Avenue

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The Chair directed the City Clerk to send notice to Mr. Shetler at such time that Brys Drive traffic is addressed at a Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting.

Motion by Reynolds, seconded by Granger, to adjourn tonight's meeting at 8:24 p.m.
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.