

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE
POINTE WOODS HELD REMOTELY ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2020.

The Facilitator's statement was provided.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Mayor Novitke.

Roll Call: Mayor Novitke
Council Members: Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, McMullen
Absent: None

Also Present: City Administrator Smith
City Attorney Berschback
Treasurer/Comptroller Behrens
Deputy Clerk Antolin
Administrative Clerk/Facilitator Miotto
Attorney Steve Joppich

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Gafa, 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, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, McMullen, Novitke
No: None
Absent: None

The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) Award for FY ended June 30, 2019, was presented and received by the City Council.

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Granger, that the following minutes be approved as amended:

1. City Council Minutes dated September 14, 2020.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, McMullen, Novitke
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Granger, seconded by Koester, that the following minutes be approved as submitted:

1. Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes dated September 14, 2020.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, McMullen, Novitke
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Koester, seconded by Gafa, regarding **Budget Amendment – FY 2020/21 Liability Insurance**, that the City Council approve the budget amendment as identified in the Treasurer/Comptroller's memo dated September 14, 2020, to cover the increased cost for the 2020/21 liability insurance premium with Stevenson Company.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, McMullen, Novitke
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Koester, regarding **Monthly Financial Report – August 2020**, that the City Council refer this report to the Finance Committee.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, McMullen, Novitke
No: None
Absent: None

Motion by Granger, seconded by Bryant, regarding **claims/accounts**, that the City Council approve payment of Items 7A – 7F as listed on the Council agenda and as identified in the pink sheet in the respective amounts and accounts listed, as follows:

- A. Liability Insurance – Stevenson Company
 1. Invoice 09/14/20 - \$159,944.00; various accounts ending in 914.000.
- B. Bournemouth Water Main Replacement
 1. Fontana Construction Services Pay Estimate No. 1 08/30/20 - \$381,613.05; Account No. 592-537-977.300.

C. Building Department Monthly Services

1. Invoice No. 21849-28 09/09/20 - \$2,985.00; Account No. 101-180-818.000.

D. City Engineer – Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick

1. Vernier Rd Resurfacing-Fairway to ECL Invoice No. 0127735 09/08/20 - \$11,770.75; Account No. 202-451-974.803.
2. 2019 Sewer Structure Rehab Invoice No. 0127736 09/08/20 - \$763.45; Account Nos.:
 - a. 202-451-974.201 - \$6.88;
 - b. 203-451-974.201 - \$144.44;
 - c. 592-537-975.401 - \$97.94;
 - d. 592-537-976.001 - \$514.19.
3. 2019 Sewer Open Cut Repair Program Invoice No. 0127737 09/08/20 - \$4,068.20; Account No. 592-537-976.001.
4. 2020/21 General Engineering Invoice No. 0127740 09/08/20 - \$3,158.55; Account Nos.:
 - a. 101-441-818.000 - \$1,052.85;
 - b. 101-444-818.000 - \$1,052.85;
 - c. 592-537-818.000 - \$1,052.85.
5. LFP Vehicular Bridge Replacement Invoice No. 0127741 09/08/20 - \$11,219.40; Account No. 401-903-977.109.
6. 2020/21 Water Main Replacement Program Invoice No. 0127742 09/08/20 - \$21,637.20; Account No. 592-537-977.310.
7. REN Complex Generator Invoice No. 0127743 09/08/20 - \$1,514.30; Account No. 420-451-974.201.
8. 2020 Concrete Pavement Repair Program Invoice No. 0127744 09/08/20 - \$3,981.00; Account Nos.:
 - a. 202-451-974.201 - \$742.72;
 - b. 203-451-974.201 - \$505.05;
 - c. 585-561-978.300 - \$1,990.51;
 - d. 592-537-975.401 - \$742.72.
9. Sewer Rehab-Lining Invoice No. 0127745 09/08/20 - \$3,750.00; Account No. 592-537-976.001.
10. Sewer Rehab/Open Cut Invoice No. 0127746 09/08/20 - \$2,587.50; Account No. 592-537-976.001.
11. Oxford Rd Recon – Mack/Holiday Invoice No. 0127750 09/08/20 - \$19,836.00; Account No. 203-451-977.803.

- E. Professional Services - Rosati, Schultz, Joppich & Amtsbuechler, P.C.
 - 1. Jana Brownell Invoice No. 1074374 - \$10,550.00; Account No. 101-210-801.300.
- F. Metro Act Professional Services
 - 1. Kitch Drutchas Wagner Valitutti & Sherbrook Invoice No. 476237
07/31/20 - \$540.00; Account No. 101-210-812.000.

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

- The City Administrator requested approval for **signage on the Robert E. Novitke Municipal Center.**

Motion by Bryant, seconded by McConaghy, regarding signage on the Robert E. Novitke Municipal Center, that City Council approve Universal Sign, Inc. to install the signage in the amount of \$5,780.00, and approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$5,780.00 from Account No. 101-000-699.000, Prior Year Fund Balance into Account No. 401-902-977.105, Improvements-City Hall.

Motion by Bryant, seconded by McConaghy, that City Council allow Mayor Novitke to abstain from voting on the prior motion.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, McMullen
No: None
Absent: None
Abstain: Novitke

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, McMullen
No: None
Absent: None
Abstain: Novitke

- The City Administrator, on behalf of the City Clerk, requested City Council to authorize the City Clerk to apply for the COVID-19 Response Grant – Center for Tech and Civic Live. The grant may reimburse COVID-19 expenses at a minimum of \$5,000.00.

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Koester, that the City Council authorize the City Clerk to apply for the COVID-19 Response Grant – Center for Tech and Civic Life.

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Koester, to insert into the previous motion “and to authorize the City Clerk to sign the grant application subject to the City Attorney’s review ensuring no adverse obligation or effect on the City of Grosse Pointe Woods.”

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, McMullen, Novitke
No: None
Absent: None

- Council Member Granger discussed the Commissions meetings and upcoming calendar events. The Mayor stated this item will be discussed in a future Committee-of-the-Whole meeting.

Nobody wished to be heard under Public Comment.

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Koester, that the City Council recess the regularly scheduled City Council meeting at 7:23 p.m. and convene in Closed Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation regarding Annexation/State Boundary Commission 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:

Bryant - Yes
Gafa - Yes
Granger - Yes
Koester - Yes
McConaghy -Yes
McMullen -Yes
Novitke - Yes

The City Council reconvened in regular session at 8:42 p.m.

Motion by Granger, seconded by McMullen, to adjourn tonight’s meeting at 8:42 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul P. Antolin
Deputy City Clerk

Robert E. Novitke
Mayor