

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE  
POINTE WOODS HELD REMOTELY ON MONDAY, MAY 4, 2020.

The meeting was called to order at 7:18 p.m. by Mayor Novitke.

Roll Call: Mayor Novitke  
Council Members: Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester  
Absent: McConaghy

Also Present: City Administrator Smith  
City Attorney Berschback  
Treasurer/Comptroller Behrens  
City Clerk Hathaway  
Director of Public Services Schulte

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Gafa, that Council Member McConaghy be excused from tonight's meeting due to technical difficulties.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Koester, seconded by Granger, that all items on tonight's agenda be received, placed on file.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Koester, regarding Resolution Establishing Rules For Remote Attendance By Members Of Grosse Pointe Woods City Council And Other City Public Bodies And Members Of The Public At Public Meetings Due To Coronavirus Pandemic, that the City Council adopt this Resolution as amended.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Koester, regarding **appointment**, that the City Council appoint Kenn Gafa to serve as the Council Representative on the **Election Commission**.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

There was a consensus of the City Council to place the **appointment** of the **Grosse Pointe Library Board Trustee** on a future Council Meeting Agenda.

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

1. City Council Minutes dated March 16, 2020.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Koester, regarding **Schedule a Public Hearing: Special Land Use – Crosspointe Christian Church, 21336 Mack Avenue**, that the City Council schedule a Public Hearing for June 1, 2020, to hear the request of Crosspointe Christian Church to install an elevator with a building addition.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Koester, seconded by Gafa, regarding **PEG Fee Cancellation Agreements**, that the City Council authorize the amendment of the Video Services Local Franchise Agreement with AT&T and Comcast reducing PEG fees to 0%, authorize the City Administrator to sign Attachment 2 for both AT&T and Comcast, and further authorize the City Administrator to sign a similar amendment with WOW! that will reduce its' PEG fee to 0% following review and approval by the City Attorney.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

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

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Bryant, regarding **MDEQ – EAGLE Subsurface Investigation of the Underground Fuel Tanks/Budget Amendment**, that the City Council authorize Groundwater & Environmental Services Inc. to perform additional testing of the City's gasoline and diesel underground storage tanks as required at a cost of \$159,606.40 with funds to be reimbursed by MUSTA; and, authorize a budget amendment in the amount of \$159,606.40 from Motor Vehicle Fund Balance Account No. 640-000-395.000 into Capital Expense-DPW Account No. 640-852-977.200.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Gafa, seconded by Bryant, regarding **Claims and Accounts**, that the City Council approve payment of Items 9A – 9G as listed on the Council agenda and as identified in the pink sheet in the respective amounts and accounts listed, as follows:

- A. 2019 Sewer Open Cut Repair Program
  - 1. Fontana Construction Services Pay Estimate No. 1 03/30/20 - \$177,372.27; Account No. 592-537-976.002.
- B. 2019 Sewer Structure Rehabilitation - L. Anthony Construction Inc.
  - 1. Pay Estimate No. 7 03/05/20 - \$81,465.61:
    - a. Account No. 202-451-974.200 - \$ 733.92;
    - b. Account No. 203-451-974.200 - \$15,412.41;
    - c. Account No. 592-537-975.400 - \$10,451.08;
    - d. Account No. 592-537-976.002 - \$54,868.20.
  - 2. Pay Estimate No. 8 04/07/20 - \$30,137.20:
    - a. Account No. 202-451-974.200 - \$ 198.76;
    - b. Account No. 203-451-974.200 - \$4,172.13;
    - c. Account No. 592-537-975.400 - \$5,104.41;
    - d. Account No. 592-537-976.002 - \$30,137.20.
- C. Medstar Ambulance
  - 1. Check Request 04/28/20 - \$56,250.00; Account No. 101-349-818.000.
- D. City Engineer – Anderson Eckstein & Westrick
  - 1. DPW Water & Sewer Barn Invoice No. 0125415 03/09/20 - \$5,050.00; Account No. 592-537-978.300.
  - 2. General Engineering Invoice No. 0125679 03/18/20 - \$650.00:
    - a. Account No. 101-441-818.000 - \$216.50;
    - b. Account No. 101-444-818.000 - \$216.50;
    - c. Account No. 592-537-818.000 - \$217.00.
  - 3. Vernier Rd Resurfacing – Fairway to ECL Invoice No. 0125680 03/18/20 - \$718.15; Account No. 202-451-974.803.
  - 4. 2019 Sewer Structure Rehabilitation Invoice No. 0125681 03/18/20 - \$8,849.00:
    - a. Account No. 202-451-974.201 - \$ 79.72;
    - b. Account No. 203-451-974.201 - \$1,674.14;
    - c. Account No. 592-537-975.401 - \$1,135.22;
    - d. Account No. 592-537-976.001 - \$5,959.92.
  - 5. 2019 Sewer Open Cut Repair Program Invoice No. 0125682 03/18/20 - \$4,178.40; Account No. 592-537-976.001.
  - 6. Beaufait Road Reconstruction-Mack to WCL Invoice No. 025683 03/18/20 - \$504.90:
    - a. Account No. 202-451-974.201 - \$ 42.08;

- b. Account No. 203-451-977.803 - \$336.60;
    - c. Account No. 203-451-974.201 - \$ 36.47;
    - d. Account No. 592-537-975.401 - \$ 89.75.
  - 7. 2019-20 GIS Maintenance Invoice No. 0125685 - \$3,882.20; Account No. 592-537-977.000.
  - 8. General Engineering-Parks Invoice No. 0125686 03/18/20 - \$2,000.00; Account No. 101-774-818.110.
  - 9. Bournemouth WM Replacement Invoice No. 0125746 03/20/20 - \$3,334.25; Account No. 592-537-977.310.
- E. Assessing Services – WCA Assessing
- 1. Invoice No. 04142020 04/14/20 - \$6,017.58; Account No. 101-224-818.000.
- F. Legal Services – FCC
- 1. Kitch Drutchas Wagner Valitutti & Sherbrook Invoice No. 466935 03/23/20 - \$90.00; Account No. 101-210-812.000.
- G. Labor Attorney – Keller Thoma
- 1. Invoice No. 118242 04/01/20 - \$1,262.27; Account No. 101-210-810.000.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Gafa, that the following invoices be approved as amended:

- H. City Attorney – Charles T. Berschback
- 1. 03/31/20 – \$10,346.25:
    - a. Account No. 101-210-801.000 - \$8,408.75;
    - b. Account No. 101-210-801.100 - \$1,937.50.
  - 2. 04/27/20 - \$7,323.75 (amended):
    - a. Account No. 101-210-801.000 - \$7,130.25;
    - b. Account No. 101-210-801.100 - \$ 193.75.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Hearing no objections, the following item was heard under New Business:

- The Mayor stated the City received a donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 from a doctor in Grosse Pointe Shores on behalf of the “Indian Community of Grosse Pointe”, funds to be used in addressing COVID-19.

Nobody wished to be heard under Public Comment.

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Gafa, to adjourn tonight’s meeting at 7:39 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lisa Kay Hathaway  
City Clerk

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Robert E. Novitke  
Mayor