

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2014, IN THE COUNCIL-COURT ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 20025 MACK PLAZA, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. by Mayor Novitke.

Roll Call: Mayor Novitke  
Council members: Bryant, Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Shetler  
Absent: None

Also Present: City Administrator Fincham  
City Attorney Don Berschback  
Treasurer/Comptroller Irby  
City Clerk Hathaway

Council, Administration, and the audience Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

The following Commission members were in attendance:

Mike Fuller, Planning Commission

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Shetler, 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, Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Novitke, Shetler  
No: None  
Absent: None

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

1. City Council Minutes dated December 1, 2014.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Novitke, Shetler  
No: None  
Absent: None

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

1. Committee-of-the-Whole minutes dated December 8, 2014.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Novitke, Shetler  
No: None  
Absent: None

The Mayor **appointed** Rebecca Veitengruber to the Historical Commission with a term to expire December 31, 2016.

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Shetler, that the City Council voice no objection to the Mayoral appointment of Rebecca Veitengruber to the Historical Commission with a term to expire December 31, 2016.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Novitke, Shetler  
No: None  
Absent: None

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Granger, regarding **2015 Winterfest**, that the City Council concur with the recommendation of the Citizen's Recreation Commission at their meeting on December 9, 2014, and authorize an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00 to fund 2015 Winterfest, funds to be taken from the Commission's Account No. 101-105-880.200.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Novitke, Shetler  
No: None  
Absent: None

Motion by Ketels, seconded by McConaghy, regarding **Application for Permit/License – Solicitor**, that the City Council approve the application of Chad Hamilton of AT&T for a Permit/License to Solicit.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Novitke, Shetler  
No: None  
Absent: None

The next item discussed was regarding an **ordinance request** presented by Andrea Lavigne. The City Attorney recommended not to proceed with this ordinance request, and that nothing further be done. No action was taken.

The following individual wished to be heard:  
Andrea Lavigne

The Mayor concurred with the recommendation of the **Historical Commission** at their meeting on September 11, 2014, and removed **Tom Sperti** from the Historical Commission.

Motion by Bryant, seconded by McConaghy, that the City Council voice no objection to the removal of Mr. Sperti from the Historical Commission effective immediately.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Novitke, Shetler  
No: None  
Absent: None

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Shetler, regarding **non-union compensation**, that the City Council approve all full-time non-union employees including Department Heads, City Administrator, City Clerk, and Treasurer/Comptroller be provided with a \$1,000 Service Loyalty Stipend and certain permanent part-time office/clerical staff, estimated at four, to be determined by the City Administrator, will receive a \$500 Service Loyalty Stipend the first year less all deductions required by law and a 2% raise the second year effective July 1, 2015, for all full-time non-union employees including Department Heads, City Administrator, City Clerk, and Treasurer/Comptroller and certain permanent part-time office/clerical staff, estimated at four, to be determined by the City Administrator.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Novitke, Shetler  
No: None  
Absent: None

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Koester, regarding **Monthly Financial Report – November 2014**, that the City Council refer this item to the Finance Committee.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Novitke, Shetler  
No: None  
Absent: None

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Granger, regarding **labor attorney**, that the City Council approve the following statement dated December 1, 2014:

1. Labor Attorney Keller Thoma - \$1,196.25.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Novitke, Shetler  
No: None  
Absent: None

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

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The following individual was heard regarding support for Andrea Lavigne, fireworks safety plan, and crime:

Mary Klobuchar  
1675 Faircourt

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Shetler, that tonight's meeting minutes be immediately certified.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Novitke, Shetler

No: None

Absent: None

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Granger, to adjourn tonight's meeting at 8:05 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kay Hathaway  
City Clerk