

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2014, IN THE COUNCIL-COURT ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 20025 MACK PLAZA, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 p.m. by Mayor Novitke.

Roll Call: Mayor Novitke  
Council members: Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Shetler  
Absent: Bryant

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

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Shetler, that Council Member Bryant be excused from tonight's meeting.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The following Commission members were in attendance:

Michelle Harrell, Planning Commission  
George McMullen, Board of Review/Local Officers Compensation Commission  
Erin Rozycki, Beautification Commission

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

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

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

1. City Council minutes dated October 20, 2014.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Shetler, regarding **Medicare renewal**, that the City Council concur with the recommendation of the Committee-of-the-Whole at their meeting on October 27, 2014, and authorize additional funding for the Medicare Advantage Program at a cost of \$20,000.00 for the renewal effective January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015; approve a budget amendment to the FY 2014-15 budget in the amount of \$20,000.00 from the General Fund Fund Balance, which will be prorated among all funds to account numbers ending in .717; and, authorize the City Administrator to sign the Medicare Advantage Group Contract 2015 Schedule A.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Shetler, seconded by Granger, regarding **purchase: lockers for Lake Front Park**, that the City Council concur with the recommendation of the Committee-of-the-Whole at their meeting on October 27, 2014, and approve the purchase of 300 lockers from the Lechard Firm at a cost of \$7,000.00, plus delivery in the amount of \$500.00, for a total cost not to exceed \$7,500.00 to replace existing lockers in both the men's and women's facilities in the Bath House at Lake Front Park; and, to authorize a transfer of funds from the Municipal Improvement Fund Balance into Account No. 401-902-977.104.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Shetler, that the following minutes be approved:

1. Committee-of-the-Whole minutes dated October 20, 2014, and October 27, 2014.

Substitute motion by McConaghy, seconded by Shetler, that the following minutes be approved:

1. Committee-of-the-Whole minutes dated October 20, 2014, as corrected; and, October 27, 2014.

Substitute motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Koester, seconded by Shetler, regarding **2015 Cook School Open Houses**, that the City Council concur with the Historical Commission at their meeting on October 16, 2014, and approve the following open house dates and times:

- Saturday, June 13, from Noon to 2 p.m.;
- Sunday, July 18, from Noon to 2 p.m.;
- Saturday, September 19 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.;
- Sunday, October 11 from Noon to 2 p.m.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor accepted the **resignation** of Dennis Janowski from the **Beautification Commission** with regret and directed the City Clerk to send appropriate thanks and recognition to Mr. Janowski.

Motion by Ketels, seconded by Shetler, regarding **2015 Commission Appreciation Reception**, that the City Council authorize an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 to hold the 2015 Commission Appreciation Reception, an approved item in the FY 2014/15 Budget, Account No. 101-101-881.000, and to authorize the City Administrator to sign any necessary contracts.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Shetler, regarding **lease/purchase vehicles: Public Safety and Public Works**, that the City Council concur with the Committee-of-the-Whole at their meeting on October 27, 2014, and approve the acquisition of a new Paving machine (\$89,800.00), three Public Works pick-up trucks with plows (\$106,197.00) and three fully-equipped police vehicles (\$119,000.00); and, to authorize financing through Comerica Bank as recommended, funds to be taken annually for four years as follows:

- Public Safety Account No. 640-852-977.349 - \$35,000.00;
- Public Works Account No. 640-850-977.599 - \$49,000.00.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Shetler, seconded by Granger, regarding **purchase: Firefighting Apparel**, that the City Council approve the purchase of the following items from Apollo Fire Equipment Company in an amount not to exceed \$11,325.00, funds to be taken from Operating Supplies Account No. 101-339-757.000:

- 5-sets of Lion Apparel Super Deluxe Coats - \$1,040.00 ea. (\$5,200.00)
- 5-sets of Lion Apparel Super Deluxe Pants @ \$734.00 ea. (\$3,670.00)
- 5 Pair of Lion Commander Firefighting Gloves @ \$73.00 ea. (\$365.00)
- 5 Lion Apparel firefighting carbon protective hoods @ \$33.00 ea. (\$165.00)
- 7 Cairns 1010 Defender Helmets @ \$275.00 ea. (\$1,925.00)

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Shetler, regarding **lease/purchase vehicles: Public Safety and Public Works**, to amend the previous motion by adding, " . . . and to authorize the City Administrator to sign Agreements/contracts."

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Administration was asked to provide updated financing information to the Council in the event additional costs accrue that may be caused by a higher interest rate being applied at closing in any amount exceeding \$5,000.00 before signing any agreement/contract.

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Shetler, regarding **City Attorney**, that the City Council approve the following statements dated October 30, 2014:

1. City Attorney Don R. Berschback - \$1,743.75;
2. City Attorney Charles T. Berschback - \$3,003.84.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

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

- The Mayor recognized and extended his gratitude and appreciation, on behalf of the City Council, to the employees and citizens who helped, and at times risked their own lives, during a rescue attempt to save the life of a man who was buried while performing sewer work. Appropriate recognition will be presented at the Council Meeting on November 17, 2014.
- The City Administrator requested that City Council adopt a Resolution recognizing Kids on the Go as a Nonprofit organization for the purpose of holding a raffle at a gala scheduled for November 7, 2014.

Motion by Granger, seconded by Shetler, that the City Council adopt the Resolution as presented recognizing Kids on the Go as a nonprofit organization and recommending approval of a charitable gaming license to the State of Michigan Gaming Division.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: None

Absent: Bryant

- Council Member Granger mentioned the General Election tomorrow.
- Council Member Granger stated a resident is organizing an effort to have cards sent to PSO Martel, who suffered an injury during the recent rescue attempt.

Motion by Granger, seconded by Shetler, to adjourn tonight's meeting at 7:59 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kay Hathaway  
City Clerk