

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2011, IN THE COUNCIL-COURT ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 20025 MACK PLAZA, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 7:42 p.m. by Mayor Novitke.

Roll Call: Mayor Novitke  
Council members: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Sucher  
Absent: Ketels

Also Present: City Administrator Fincham  
City Attorney Berschback  
Treasurer/Comptroller Irby  
City Clerk Hathaway  
Building Inspector Tutag

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

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

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

The following Commission members were in attendance:

Ross Richardson, Planning Commission  
Richard Shetler Jr., Senior Citizens Commission  
Erin Rozycki, Beautification Commission

Motion by Granger, seconded by Howle, 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, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

Motion by Howle, seconded by Bryant, regarding **Proclamation: Public Auxiliary Retirees**, that the City Council voice no objection to the Mayoral Proclamations recognizing Mirvan Hayes, John Nelson, and Robert Estabrook for their years of service to the City of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

The Mayor then presented the Proclamations to three retired Auxiliary Officers.

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

1. City Council Minutes dated April 4, 2011;
2. Committee-of-the-Whole minutes dated April 4, 2011, and April 11, 2011.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

Motion by Granger, seconded by McConaghy, regarding **Coffee Tumblers**, that the City Council concur with the recommendation of the Beautification Advisory Commission at their meeting on March 9, 2011, and approve an amount not to exceed \$680.00 to

purchase mugs at a cost of \$3.70 each, cover the set-up charge of \$75, and shipping, funds to be taken from BAC Account No. 205-870-675.310.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

Motion by Granger, seconded by Bryant, regarding **purchase: artwork and tiles**, that the City Council concur with the recommendation of the Beautification Advisory Commission at their meeting on April 13, 2011, and approve the purchase of artwork and 100 - 2011 Circle of Honor tiles in an amount not to exceed \$1,200.00, funds to be taken from BAC Account No. 205-870-675.310.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

Motion by Granger, seconded by McConaghy, regarding **Ice Cream Social**, that the City Council concur with the Senior Citizens Commission at their meeting on January 18, 2011, and approve the May 12, 2011, Ice Cream Social in an amount not to exceed \$400.00, to be taken from Account No. 101-105-880.600.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Bryant, regarding **Application for Parade Procession: Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, Crop Walk**, that the City Council approve the request to hold Crop Walk as requested by Assumption Greek Orthodox Church on behalf of Church World Service on Sunday, May 1, 2011, contingent upon providing appropriate insurance, that there be no conflicts with other events, and approved of the Director of Public Safety.

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Bryant, to amend the previous motion by adding, “. . . and that the City Attorney review and approve the insurance.”

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

Richard Trute spoke in favor of an **amendment to Section 50-372(2)(h)**.

Motion by Sucher, seconded by Granger, regarding amending the retail ordinance restricting resale, particularly Sec. 50-372(2)(h), that the City Council refer this item to the Planning Commission for a recommendation back to the City Council.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Bryant, regarding **Application for Parade Procession: Grosse Pointe Woods/Shores Little League**, that the City Council approve the request to hold the annual Little League Parade on Sunday, May 1, 2011, from 12:45-2 p.m., contingent upon City Attorney review and approval of appropriate insurance.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Granger, regarding **Conference: Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks**, that the City Council authorize the City Clerk to attend the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerk’s annual conference to be held in Bellaire, MI, from June 21, through June 24, 2011, in an amount not to exceed \$1,400.00, and to reimburse for

expenses incurred upon presentation and verification by the Finance Committee of an itemized expense report.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: Howle  
Absent: Ketels

Motion by Sucher, seconded by Howle, regarding **Monthly Financial Report – March 2011**, that the City Council refer this item to the Finance Committee for review.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

Motion by Sucher, seconded by Granger, regarding **Municipal Court Staffing – Deputy Court Clerk**, that the City Council fill this position upon the retirement of the current Deputy Court Clerk.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

Motion by Howle, seconded by Sucher, regarding **Proclamations (3)**, that the City Council voice no objection to the following Mayoral Proclamations:

1. **Arbor Day;**
2. **National Public Works Week;**
3. **National Military Appreciation Month.**

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

Motion by Granger, seconded by Bryant, regarding **An Ordinance Amending Chapter Two, Administration, Article IV, Employee Benefits, Section 2-294(b)(2) Membership T Provide That Membership In the Retirement System Shall Not Include Any Person Employed In A Position Requiring Less Than 1,350 Hours**, that the City Council approve this ordinance as presented and make it effective 20 days after its enactment.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Granger, regarding **An ordinance To Amend Chapter 32, Signs, By Repealing That Portion of Section 32-3 Defining Neon and Neon Type Signs; By Repealing 33-10(b)11, and By Repealing Section 32-35 Grandfathering**, that the City Council approve this proposed ordinance as presented and make it effective 20 days after its enactment.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

Motion by Howle, seconded by Granger, regarding **Labor Attorney**, that City Council approve the following statement dated April 1, 2011:

1. Keller Thoma Invoice #93791 - \$2,722.50.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

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

Motion by Howle, seconded by Granger, regarding Historical Commission expenditures, that the City Council concur with the recommendation of the Historical Commission from their meeting on April 14, 2011, and approve payment of the following items:

- a. Boy Scout Shutter Project expenses: An amount not to exceed \$110.00 payable to Deborah Pingree, funds to be taken from Account No. 205-870-820.210;
- b. Memorial Day Circle of Honor Costs, funds to be taken from Account No. 101-105-880.300, including:
  - i. Band – Ralph Miller and The Gentlemen of Swing in an amount not to exceed \$600.00;
  - ii. Chair rental in an amount not to exceed \$550;
  - iii. Wreath in an amount not to exceed \$35.00;
  - iv. 4 flags in an amount not to exceed \$334.12.
- c. Michigan One-Room Schoolhouse Association Membership in an amount not to exceed \$25.000 to paid from Account No. 101-105-880.300.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Granger, Howle, McConaghy, Novitke, Sucher  
No: None  
Absent: Ketels

Motion by Granger, seconded by Bryant, to adjourn tonight's meeting at 8:39 p.m.  
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kay Hathaway  
City Clerk