

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 20, 2017, IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 20025 MACK AVENUE, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

PRESENT: Mayor Novitke  
Council Members, Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Shetler  
ABSENT: Bryant  
  
ALSO PRESENT: City Administrator Smith  
Treasurer/Comptroller Behrens  
City Attorney Chip Berschback  
City Clerk Hathaway

Mayor Novitke called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

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

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, 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: Bryant

Discussion then ensued regarding the vacant **Deputy Comptroller** position. The City Administrator stated the previous Deputy Comptroller, Shawn Murphy, contacted him regarding the vacant position stating she was interested in re-employment with the City. He and the Treasurer/Comptroller were in favor of, and recommending, re-employing Ms. Murphy. The Treasurer/Comptroller distributed a draft Agreement to re-employ Shawn Murphy as Deputy Comptroller. There was a consensus of the Committee in favor of this recommendation.

Motion by Koester, seconded by Shetler, that the Deputy Comptroller position be removed from the Committee-of-the-Whole.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Under New Business:

- The Mayor stated the City Administrator has met with all of the unions, which have agreed with the City's process to correct payroll withholdings for tax years 2011 through 2015, and also agreed to reimbursing employees up to \$100.00 for filing amended returns for 2013 through 2015. This item is scheduled for the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting on March 27<sup>th</sup>, with a Special City Council Meeting to immediately follow. The City Attorney is to review and approve the release form.
- The Treasurer/Comptroller stated the City will be issuing a check for the Rivers tax tribunal settlement and provided a brief update to the Committee.

Motion by Koester, seconded by Ketels, that the meeting of the Committee-of-the-Whole be adjourned at p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lisa Kay Hathaway  
City Clerk

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Robert E. Novitke  
Mayor