

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, MAY 16, 2016, IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 20025 MACK AVENUE, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

PRESENT: Mayor Novitke
Council Members Bryant, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Shetler
ABSENT: Granger

ALSO PRESENT: City Administrator/Assessor Colombo
Treasurer/Comptroller Irby
City Attorney Chip Berschback
City Clerk Hathaway
Director of Public Safety Smith
Director of Public Services Ahee

Also in attendance at tonight's meeting was Frank Schulte.

Mayor Novitke called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Shetler, that all items on tonight's agenda be received, placed on file, taken in order of appearance.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The Committee held a **discussion regarding the Director of Public Services vacancy**. The City Administrator/Assessor stated Director Ahee will be retiring on July 1. The Director of Public Services position was posted and seven applications were received. After reviewing the applications, the City Administrator/Assessor stated he would be appointing Frank Schulte, with the concurrence of City Council, to fill the vacancy. The Director of Public Services and Director of Public Safety concurred with his appointment. Compensation will include the current salary of \$76,500.00, four weeks vacation, and all benefits entitled under the Employee Handbook. Mr. Schulte stated he would consider other options in lieu of a pension, and he would opt out of Healthcare (\$3,000). Mr. Schulte indicated his timeline for employment with the City would be two to five years in this position.

Concerns were voiced regarding a two-year timeline, and the Mayor discussed the need for a succession plan and training other employees. Questions and answers ensued between the Committee and Mr. Schulte. There was a consensus of the Committee to support the appointment of Mr. Schulte as the Director of Public Services.

Under public comment, the following individual was heard regarding the appointment of Mr. Schulte:

George McMullen
1382 Hollywood

Motion by Ketels, seconded by Shetler, that the meeting of the Committee-of-the-Whole be adjourned at 7:29 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kay Hathaway
City Clerk

Robert E. Novitke
Mayor