

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2016, IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 20025 MACK AVENUE, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

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

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

Also in attendance was Rick Fanning, Labor Counsel.

Mayor Novitke called the meeting to order at 7:36 p.m.

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

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

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

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Shetler, that the Committee-of-the-Whole recess the regularly scheduled Council meeting at 7:38 p.m. and convene in Closed Executive Session for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations at which time the Committee-of-the-Whole will reconvene in regular session to address additional items as necessary, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act 1976 PA 267.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Koester	Yes
McConaghy	Yes
Novitke	Yes
Shetler	Yes
Bryant	Absent
Granger	Absent
Ketels	Yes

The meeting reconvened in regular session at 8:42 p.m.

The next item discussed was regarding **fiscal forecasting**. The Treasurer/Comptroller provided fiscal forecasting projections figuring a Headlee override proposed at various mills; 3.8, 2.7, 2.2, and 1.9. Discussion, questions and answers ensued. The Mayor stated he is not in favor of a Headlee override at this time but possibly that it be revisited in two years.

Motion by Koester, seconded by Shetler, that the Committee-of-the-Whole recommend that City Council consider going out for a Headlee override at 2.3 mills.

Additional discussion ensued regarding presenting the proposal on the 2016 August Primary ballot and whether a sunset would be established.

Koester withdrew his motion.

Following discussion, there was a consensus of the Committee to postpone further consideration of this item to the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting on February 29, 2016, and that the Treasurer/Comptroller provide forecasting including Headlee at 2.3 mills, numbers for OPEB and pension, with consideration given to five years, ten years, and perpetuity.

Hearing no objections, the following item was discussed under New Business:

- Council Member Koester discussed the pending item concerning purchasing a memorial tree in memory of George Malley, past member of the Tree Commission. Following a brief discussion, there was a consensus of the Committee to place this item on the Committee-of-the-Whole agenda for February 29, 2016.

Motion by Koester, seconded by Shetler, that the meeting of the Committee-of-the-Whole be adjourned at 10:08 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kay Hathaway
City Clerk