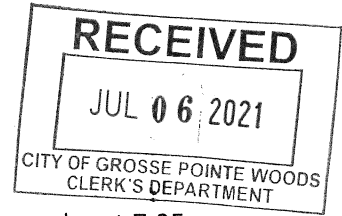


*Commission Approved*  
*7/8/21*

**City of Grosse Pointe Woods  
Historical Commission Minutes  
20025 Mack Plaza Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236  
Zoom Meeting with Introduction and Facilitated by Gretchen Miotto  
June 10, 2021**



**1. Call to Order**

The regular meeting of the Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission was called to order at 7:35 pm by Vice Chair Shirley Hartert.

**2. Roll Call**

**Present:** Del Harkenrider, Shirley Hartert, Suzanne Kent, Lynne Millies, Jim Motschall, Giles Wilborn and Mary Kaye Ferry

**Excused:** Stephanie Listman, Sean Patrick Murphy, Frank Romano, Becky Veitengruber

**Also Present:** Guest, Catherine Dumke, and Council Representative, Kenn Gafa

**3. Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion** by Motschall, seconded by Millies to approve the May 13, 2021. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

**4. Items:**

**A. Report of Treasurer**

Motschall reported the balance of the Commission \$1,810.00 and the balance of Cook School \$30,553.11. Motion by Harkenrider, seconded by Ferry to accept the minutes as submitted.

Ayes: all. Motion carried.

**5. Old Business**

**A. Memorial Day**

**1. Memorial Day Video:**

Ferry reported the 1997 Memorial Day Video on the GPW Web Site received 148 views, 102 were unique views. The video is available on YouTube. Kent delivered a copy of the video to Mayor Novitke's family.

Giles reported that there are 40 videos in our files that should be reviewed to determine if we want to have them converted to preserve them for the future. Kent will review them for content and quality.

**B. Cook School:**

Millies reported that she and Ferry visited Cook School to deliver several items and to check on the condition of the school. Janet Benson donated seven McGuffey Readers, one spelling book, a slate and a Victorian Doll with porcelain head, Millies donated two corn cob dolls and a porcelain faced doll. Millies suggested that we should have a complete list of our open house items. She will compile the list and Kent will type and email the list to our members. We also need another sturdy plastic storage box. Kent will check on availability and prices. We should have a stamp made reading 'Property of Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission'. It was clarified that only the covers of the Sears Catalog are to be laminated Motschall will check cost.

**Motion:** by Millies, seconded by Giles to have a 'Property of Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission' rubber stamp made and a plastic storage box be purchased, the cost not to exceed \$50.00. Account #101-1-5-880.300. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

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**C. Basement Dehumidifier at Cook School:**

The area at the bottom of the stairs is very musty. The dehumidifier is not running in the main room. There is no outlet close by to accommodate a hose to the drain so an extension cord has been used which runs across the doorway.

**Motion:** by Harkenrider, seconded by Kent to request the DPW to install an electrical outlet for the dehumidifier in the basement off Cook School. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

**Motion** by Ferry, seconded by Motschall to address the following items at Cook School for repair:

Front Porch—Scrape & Paint brick sides

Front Door—Scrape & Paint

Cupola— Replace rotting decorative wood and paint

Roof— Check for missing shingles. Check to see if there are shingles for replacing any missing shingles

Back Porch—Supports rotting at base. Repair or replace

Exterior—Scrape and paint as needed

Ayes all: Motion carried.

**D. Lakefront Park Framed Pictures:**

Jim Kowalski will meet Commission Members on Monday, June 28, at 1:00 pm to hang the eight pictures in the Activities Center.

**6. New Business:**

**Covid Year Happenings:**

Ferry was contacted by John Parthum. He was wondering what we were doing to record the happenings in Grosse Pointe Woods during the Covid Year since the Update has been temporarily discontinued. Kent commented that the Chronology will be updated and those items could be included.

**7. Public and Commissioner Comments:**

A. Council Representative Gafa updated the Commission on city matters.

**8. Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kaye Ferry, Secretary

**The next meeting of the Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission will take place by Zoom on July 8, 2021 at 7:30pm.**