



CITY OF
GRAND RAPIDS
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CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, March 13, 2023
5:00 PM

Mayor Christy called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

PRESENT: Mayor Dale Christy, Councilor Dale Adams, Councilor Tasha Connelly, Councilor Molly MacGregor, Councilor Tom Sutherland

STAFF: Tom Pagel, Chad Sterle, Andy Morgan, Travis Cole, Barb Baird, Will Richter, Tasha Connelly, Chery Pierzina

PUBLIC FORUM:

No one from the public wished to speak.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Approve Council minutes for Monday, February 27, 2023 Worksession & Regular meeting and Closed Meeting summary.

Motion made by Councilor Connelly, Second by Councilor Sutherland to approve Council minutes as presented. Voting Yea: Mayor Christy, Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor, Councilor Sutherland

VERIFIED CLAIMS:

2. Approve the verified claims for the period February 22, 2023 to March 6, 2023 in the total amount of \$2,102,205.82.

Motion made by Councilor Adams, Second by Councilor Connelly to approve the verified claims as presented. Voting Yea: Mayor Christy, Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor, Councilor Sutherland

CONSENT AGENDA:

3. Consider an agreement with Blandin Foundation for GR Riverfest
4. Consider terminating employees at the IRA Civic Center.
5. Consider authorizing the Police Department to enter into Congratulate and Educate Tobacco Compliance Check annual plan agreement / contract with Minnesota Department of Human Services.

6. Consider authorizing the Police Department to sell five (5) forfeited vehicles through Mid State Auto online auction.
7. Consider purchasing an 84" snow blade from ASV
8. Consider the purchase of and payment to Northland Lawn and Sport for one John Deere X354 Mower for \$5,504.42 for the Itasca Calvary Cemetery.
9. Consider approval of MOU's with labor union, amending the official city calendar, and personnel policy manual to reflect the State's adoption of Juneteenth as an official holiday.
10. Consider Use Agreements with ISD 318, GRAHA, and SNFC related to the IRA Civic Center

Adopted Resolutions 23-16, 23-17 and 23-18

11. Consider Cart Storage Agreement
12. Consider Termination of Employee
13. Consider entering into an Agreement for Consulting Services for GASB 67 & 68 Actuarial Valuation with USI Consulting Group, Incorporated. (Formerly Hildi, Inc.)
14. Consider donating retired Library IT equipment to the Arrowhead Library System.
15. Consider a Memorandum of Understand (MOU) with the Patrol Union related to length of service credit for new hires.
16. Consider adopting a resolution approving an operating transfer from the Capital Projects fund-Permanent Improvement Revolving Fund (PIR) to the Capital Projects Fund-Grand Rapids Arts & Culture Projects.

Adopted Resolution 23-19

Motion made by Councilor Connelly, Second by Councilor MacGregor to approve the consent agenda as presented. Voting Yea: Mayor Christy, Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor, Councilor Sutherland

SET REGULAR AGENDA:

Motion made by Councilor Adams, Second by Councilor Connelly to approve the regular agenda as presented. Voting Yea: Mayor Christy, Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor, Councilor Sutherland

ADMINISTRATION:

17. Consider hiring Jamey Serich as IT Network Technician

Motion made by Councilor Adams, Second by Councilor Connelly to hire Jeremy Serich as presented. Voting Yea: Mayor Christy, Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor

MacGregor, Councilor Sutherland

18. Consider appointing Andy Morgan to the position of Chief of Police

Motion made by Councilor Sutherland, Second by Councilor Adams to appoint Captain Andrew Morgan as Chief of Police as presented. Voting Yea: Mayor Christy, Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor, Councilor Sutherland

19. Consider hiring Amanda Mitchell as Administrative Assistant

Motion made by Councilor Connelly, Second by Councilor MacGregor appointing Amanda Mitchell to the position of Administrative Assistant for the Grand Rapids Police Department. Voting Yea: Mayor Christy, Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor, Councilor Sutherland

CITY COUNCIL:

20. Consider appointing members to the Civic Center Advisory Board

Motion made by Councilor MacGregor, Second by Councilor Adams to appoint the following members to the Civic Center Advisory Board:

Jeremy Carlson - At Large, Andrew Haarklau - GRAHA, Shannon Wourms - SNSC and Mark Schroeder - ISD 318.

Voting Yea: Mayor Christy, Councilor Adams, Councilor Connelly, Councilor MacGregor, Councilor Sutherland

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Gibeau, City Clerk