

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE  
POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2025, IN THE COUNCIL-COURTROOM OF  
THE ROBERT E. NOVITKE MUNICIPAL CENTER, 20025 MACK PLAZA DR., GROSSE  
POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Bryant.

PRESENT: Mayor Bryant  
Council Members: Brown, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, Motschall  
ABSENT: None

Also Present: City Administrator Schulte  
Assistant City Administrator Como  
City Attorney Walling  
City Attorney Tomlinson  
City Treasurer/Comptroller Schmidt  
City Clerk Antolin  
City Planner Jankowski  
Director of Public Safety Kosanke  
McKenna Representative Jackson

Council, Administration, and the audience Pledged Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.

The following Commission members were in attendance:

- Catherine Dumke, Senior Citizens' Commission
- Mike Fuller, Planning Commission
- James McNelis, Planning Commission
- John Vitale, Planning Commission
- Donna O'Keefe, Planning Commission
- Dave Bryk, Historical Commission
- Christina Pitts, Tree Commission

**Motion** by McConaghy, seconded by Gafa, 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: Brown, Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, Motschall  
No: None  
Absent: None

**Motion** by Granger, seconded by Koester, that all items (6A-6G) on the consent agenda be approved as presented.

**A. Approval of Minutes**

1. Council 06/02/25

**B. Commission Minutes Received and Placed on File**

1. Election Commission 10/14/24\*

\*Recommendations have been addressed at the 10/21/24 Council Meeting.

2. Historical Commission 03/13/25, 04/10/25

**C. Monthly Financial Report**

1. May 2025

**D. Bids/Proposals/Contracts**

1. Trucking Services - Recommendation

- a) Memo 05/30/25 - Director of Public Services Kowalski
- b) Proposed Agreement
- c) Quote 03/25/25 - Grosso Trucking & Supply Co.
- d) Certificate of Insurance

2. Tree Removal Contract for 2025/2026 - Recommendation

- a) Memo 05/30/25 - Director of Public Services Kowalski
- b) Proposed Contract
- c) Quote 05/25/25 - James Bonahoom, Arbor Pro Tree Service, Inc.
- d) Certificate of Insurance

3. Landscape Services - Recommendation

- a) Memo 05/30/25 - Director of Public Services Kowalski
- b) Proposed Contract
- c) Quote 03/28/25 - Marshall Landscape Inc.
- d) Certificate of Insurance

4. Road Salt 2025/2026 Season - Recommendation

- a) Memo 05/30/25 - Director of Public Services Kowalski
- b) Proposed Contract: Addendum Notice No. 1 for Contract No. FH-22-23-2388
- c) Email 04/17/25 with Year 3 Pricing - Michelle Aranowski

5. Vendors with Expenses Over \$20,000

- a) Memo 06/05/25 - Treasurer/Comptroller Schmidt
- b) Listing of Open Purchase Orders over \$20,000 for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

6. Fiscal Year End 2024-2025 Budget Amendments
  - a) Memo 06/10/25 - Treasurer/Comptroller Schmidt - City Administrator Schulte
  - b) List of Accounts for FYE 2024-2025 Budget Amendments
7. Unpaid Invoices
  - a) Memo 06/16/25 - Treasurer/Comptroller Schmidt
  - b) Landscaping & Cross Connection Invoices - Summer 2025 Tax Roll
8. Revised 2025 Tax Rate Request - Form L-4029
  - a) Proposed Revised 2025 Tax Rate Request Form L-4029
9. Janitorial Services for Municipal Buildings
  - a) Memo 06/03/25 - Director of Public Services Kowalski
  - b) BID Opening Documents
  - c) Proposed Janitorial Services Contract - Zeppelin Cleaning Services
  - d) Certificate of Insurance
  - e) Janitorial Service Bond
10. Water Meter Reader Replacement
  - a) Memo 06/05/25 - Director of Public Services Kowalski
11. Commit Fund Balance for Construction Projects and Equipment Purchases
  - a) Memo 06/16/25 - Treasurer/Comptroller Schmidt
  - b) FYE 2024-2025 Fund Balance Commitments
12. Lucas Device - Anonymous Donation
  - a) Memo 06/11/25 - Director of Public Safety Kosanke
13. SMART Municipal and Community Credits Transfer to Pointe Area Assisted Transportation Services (PAATS)
  - a) Memo 06/12/25 – Assistant City Administrator Como

**E. Proclamation**

1. Juneteenth (June 19)

**F. Resolution**

1. Resolution Assigning Polling Site Locations for Newly Consolidated Precincts\*
  - a) Proposed Resolution
  - b) Proposed Facility Use Agreement – St. Michael’s Episcopal Church

\*Adoption of this resolution is contingent upon the approval of the second reading of the ordinance amendment regarding the precinct consolidation for Item 8A.

**G. Claims and Accounts**

1. Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. (AEW) - City Engineers
  - a) Lake Front Park Boat Launch Parking Lot & Wedgewood Resurfacing  
- Proj. No. 0160-0480 - Payment Invoice 02 - Al's Asphalt Paving Co.  
- 06/03/25 - \$232,903.23.
  - b) Ghesquiere Park Walking Path - Proj. No. 0160-0482 – Payment  
Invoice 02 - Warren Contractors & Development Inc. - 06/03/25 -  
\$161,467.95.
2. McKenna - Building/Planning Services
  - a) Invoice No. 21849-109 - Building Services - April 2025 - 05/23/25 -  
\$59,859.22.
  - b) Invoice No. 22-064-41 - Planning Services - April 2025 - 05/15/25 -  
\$4,002.50.
3. Rosati, Schultz, Joppich & Amtsbuechler, P.C. – Legal Services – Invoice  
No. 1083615 – May 2025 – 06/11/25 - \$5,802.70.
4. York, Dolan & Tomlinson, P.C. - Legal Services - Invoice No. 300 - May  
2025 - 06/02/25 - \$2,991.50.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:	Brown, Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, Motschall
No:	None
Absent:	None

The Mayor and members of City Council read aloud the proclamation regarding Juneteenth (June 19).

Mayor Bryant accepted the resignation of Mollie Mackinnon from the Planning Commission with regret, and directed appropriate thanks and recognition be sent to Ms. Mackinnon.

**Motion** by Koester, seconded by McConaghy, regarding **Second Reading - Ordinance Amendment: To Consolidate Six (6) Voting Precincts Into Three (3) Voting Precincts**, that the City Council approve this ordinance amendment as presented and make it effective 10 days after its enactment.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:	Brown, Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, Motschall
No:	None
Absent:	None

Under New Business, the following individual was heard:

1. City Clerk Antolin stated that the 05/19/25 Council minutes had an error that needed to be corrected. The recommended correction was to replace the word “receivings” with “proceedings” on a motion made at the bottom of page 6 of the minutes.

**Motion** by McConaghy, seconded by Gafa, that the City Council approve the May 19, 2025 minutes as amended by replacing the word “receivings” with “proceedings” on the motion to table and refer back to the Planning Commission the rezoning of 20160 Mack Avenue.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Brown, Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, Motschall  
No: None  
Absent: None

Under Public Comment, the following individuals were heard:

1. Jon Dougherty, 1665 S. Renaud Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
2. Joyce Janowski, 1070 N. Oxford Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
3. Joanne Platt-Shenstone, 1692 N. Renaud Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
4. Gary Herbertson, 1640 Ford Ct., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
5. Helen Taylor, 1430 Oxford Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
6. Christina Pitts, 1501 Oxford Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
7. Monica Piggott, 1500 Oxford Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
8. Patricia Dougherty, 1665 S. Renaud Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
9. Jane Frahm, 1350 N. Oxford Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
10. Lynn Aldrich, 1501 Oxford Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
11. John McLellan, 1617 S. Renaud Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
12. Harry Gaggos, 1490 Oxford Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
13. Irene Gaggos, 1490 Oxford Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
14. Enriqueta Kozakowski, 1595 S. Renaud Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
15. Gary Felts, 1680 Oxford Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
16. Bethann Bayus, 1615 Ford Ct., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
17. John McAtee, 1621 Oxford Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.

Mayor Bryant recessed the meeting at 8:01 p.m. and reconvened at 8:09 p.m.

18. Elizabeth Baergen, 1600 Ford Ct., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
19. Robert Musial, 806 N. Renaud Rd., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.
20. Tambre Tedesco, 1665 Ford Ct., opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.

21. Pat Casey, Business Owner (20095/20099 Mack Ave.), opposed to rezoning of 20160 Mack Ave.

**Motion** by Motschall, seconded by Koester, to **adjourn tonight's meeting** at 8:22 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

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Paul P. Antolin  
City Clerk

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Arthur W. Bryant  
Mayor