

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON WEDNESDAY MARCH 7, 2023 AT THE GROSSE POINTE WOODS – CONFERENCE ROOM, 20025 MACK, and GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

Members Present: Chair Mayor Arthur Bryant, Chris Fenton, Todd McConaghy, Frank Schulte, Bruce Smith,

Members Absent: Jenny Boettcher, Al Fincham, Vicki Granger

Also in attendance: Susan Como (Recording Secretary)
Heidi Korte, Communications Coordinator
Rita O'Farrell, Recreation & Event Programmer

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:46 p.m.

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Smith, to excuse members Fincham, Granger and Boettcher from tonight's meeting.

Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Fenton, McConaghy, Smith, Schulte
No: None
Absent: Boettcher, Fincham, Granger

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

Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Fenton, McConaghy, Smith, Schulte
No: None
Absent: Boettcher, Fincham, Granger

The first item discussed was the **2023 Ending Balance Sheet.**

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Smith, to receive and place on file the 2023 Ending Balance Sheet as presented.

Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Fenton, McConaghy, Smith, Schulte
No: None
Absent: Boettcher, Fincham, Granger

Next item discussed was the **2024 Proposed Budget**.

There was consensus of the committee to accept the 2024 Proposed Budget as presented and recommend to city council to transfer the sum of \$4,201.13 from the community events committee account #213-803-880.130 to the city's general fund to cover the overtime wages incurred from employees working the 2023 events.



Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Fenton, McConaghy, Smith, Schulte

No: None

Absent: Boettcher, Fincham, Granger

The next item discussed was the **Sponsors**.

Committee member Granger arrived at 5:55 p.m.

The following 2023 sponsors would be contacted for 2024 sponsorship:

COMPANY NAME	
A.H. Peters Funeral Home	Granger
Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc.	Smith
Ascension/St. John Hospital	Como
Christin Canter, Direct Financial	McConaghy
Edmund t. Ahee Jewelry Company	Granger
GFL Environmental	Schulte
Grosse Pointe Woods Foundation	Bryant
Pam Mowatt State Farm	McConaghy
Kitty's Doctor	McConaghy
Pointe Alarm & Detroit Fire Co.	Schulte
Marshall Landscape	Fenton
Mr. C's Car Wash	Granger
Nickel & Saph Inc.	Schulte
Rosati, Schultz, Joppich & Amtsbuechler, P.C.	Schulte
VDG Mack Ave LLC (Verus Dvlp)	Schulte
Wayne County Community College District	Granger
York, Dolan & Tomlinson, P.C.	Schulte

Additional companies to be contacted for sponsorship:

COMPANY NAME	CONTACT
Avenue in the Woods	Bryant
Bob Maxey Lincoln	Granger
Bucharest Grill	Schulte

Comerica	Schulte
Corewell Health	Schulte
Crispelli's Bakery & Pizzeria	Schulte
Fairway Packing	Bryant
Kitch Drutchas Wagner Valitutti & Sherbrook	Granger
Licavoli's Market	Granger
Marshall Landscape Inc.	Fenton
Starbucks	Schulte
Someday Brewing	Granger
Sunrise Grosse of Pointe Woods	Granger
Zestia Greek Street Food	Schulte

There was consensus of the committee that no exclusive sponsor letters would be sent out.

Next item discussed was **Entertainment** at the events.

Motion by Fenton, seconded by McConaghy to recommend to city council to enter into agreements with the following bands: Sonic Freeway (June 28 Music on the Lawn); Blue Water Kings (July 26 Music on the Lawn); Vavoom (August 23 Music on the Lawn) and Mainstream Drive (October 5 Fall Fest).

Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Fenton, Granger, McConaghy, Smith, Schulte
 No: None
 Absent: Boettcher, Fincham

Food Vendors were discussed next. Recording Secretary Como advised the committee members that National Coney Island has committed to being vendor at the July 26 Music on the Lawn event. Recreation & Event Programmer O'Farrell was asked to contact Katrina's Italian Kitchen about vending at the June and August events.

Discussion was held regarding the purchase of three **Tents** that do not require being staked in the ground and can be utilized for other city events.

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Fenton to make a recommendation to city council to purchase one 20 x 20 tent with sides at a cost of \$3,000, two 20 x 30 tents with sides at a total cost of \$7,800 (\$3,900 each), and pay the freight fee of \$1,600 in a total amount not to exceed \$12,400.



Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Fenton, Granger, McConaghy, Smith, Schulte
 No: None
 Absent: Boettcher, Fincham

Motion by McConaghy, Seconded by Granger, to immediately certify the minutes of the March 7, 2024 Community Events Committee.

Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes: Bryant, Fenton, Granger, McConaghy, Smith, Schulte
- No: None
- Absent: Boettcher, Fincham

Motion by Granger, seconded by Smith, to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Passed Unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Como
Recording Secretary