

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2021, IN THE COUNCIL-COURT ROOM OF THE ROBERT E. NOVITKE MUNICIPAL CENTER, 20025 MACK PLAZA, 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, Vaughn  
ABSENT: None

Also Present: Acting City Administrator/Director of Public Services Schulte  
City Attorney Anderson  
Treasurer/Comptroller Murphy  
City Clerk Hathaway

Also in attendance were Deputy Director of Public Services Kowalski and City Engineer Lockwood.

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

No Commission Members were in attendance.

Motion by Granger, seconded by McConaghy, that all items on tonight's agenda be received, placed on file, and taken in order of appearance with Item 11B being moved up for a presentation.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor read the Letter of Recognition and the Director of Public Services presented 2021 Flood Recognition Awards to the following Department of Public Works Crew Chiefs after saying a few words:

1. Edwin Hall
2. Matthew Crook

The **Proclamation regarding Donnie Cook** was read and presented in recognition of him receiving the 2020 Community Service Award by mParks-Michigan Recreation and Park Association, which declared Wednesday, October 20, 2021, as Donnie Cook Day in the City of Grosse Pointe Woods.

The Mayor appointed the following individuals to the Senior Citizens Commission:

1. Catherine J. Dumke with a term to expire December 31, 2022;
2. Karen Everham with a term to expire December 31, 2021.

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Gafa, that the City Council appoint the following individuals to the Southeastern Council of Governments (SEMCOG):

1. Tom Vaughn – Delegate;
2. Vicki Granger – Alternate.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Gafa, seconded by Brown, that the following minutes be approved as submitted:

1. City Council Minutes dated September 20, 2021.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Granger, seconded by Koester, regarding **Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce Santa Parade – A Frosty Magical Christmas**, that the City Council authorize an expenditure in the amount of \$1,000.00 to participate in the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade as a Blizzard Sponsor, funds to be taken from Council Community Relations Account No. 101-101-880.000.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Gafa, seconded by Granger, regarding **Contract: Repairs to Anita and Lochmoor Parking Lot Brick Walls**, that the City Council approve the contract with DSA Contractors to repair the brick walls at the Anita and Lochmoor parking lots at a cost of \$11,420.00, to include a contingency in an amount not to exceed \$3,000.00 for a total project cost not to exceed \$14,420.00, and authorize the City Administrator to sign the contract with funds to be taken from Parking Contractual Services Account No. 585-561-818.000.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The **Proclamation regarding National Breast Cancer Awareness Month** naming October 2021 as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Grosse Pointe Woods was issued and read.

Motion by Vaughn, seconded by Granger, regarding **Second Reading: An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 8-Building and Building Regulations, to Add A New Article XVII, Floodplain Management, To Affirm an Enforcing Agency To Discharge the Responsibility of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Located in Wayne County, and To Designate Flood Hazard Areas Under the Provisions of the State Construction Code Act, Being Act 230 of the Public Acts of 1972, As Amended**, that the City Council approve this proposed ordinance as presented and make it effective 10 days after its enactment.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Motion by Koester, seconded by McConaghy, regarding **claims and accounts**, that the City Council approve payment of the following:

- A. AT&T Cell Tower Renewal
  - 1. Kitch Drutchas Wagner Valitutti & Sherbrook Invoice No. 510432 09/16/21 - \$60.00; Account No. 101-210-812.000.

Under discussion, the City Attorney provided an update regarding the tower Agreement.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Hearing no objections, the following items were heard under New Business:

- Council Member Brown requested an update regarding Chene Trombley Park on behalf of the Recreation Commission. Director Schulte reported plans are in the process of being finalized. Council Member Brown requested the Recreation Commission be included in the Grand Opening of the park.
- Council Member Vaughn gave kudos to the Department of Public Safety for the exemplary job on the Fire Safety Open House.
- The Mayor gave kudos regarding the street light flower pots and other beautification efforts on Mack Avenue including flowers and benches, as well as the scarecrows/hay bales that were installed in the pots after flowers were removed.

Nobody wished to be heard under Public Comment.

Motion by Granger, seconded by Koester, to adjourn tonight's meeting at 7:30 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lisa Kay Hathaway  
City Clerk

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Arthur W. Bryant  
Mayor