

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE  
POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023, 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: Gafa, Granger, McConaghy, Vaughn  
ABSENT: Brown, Koester

Also Present: City Administrator Schulte  
Treasurer/Comptroller Murphy  
City Attorney Walling  
City Clerk Antolin  
Assistant City Administrator Como  
Director of Public Services Kowalski  
Recreation Supervisor Gerhart  
City Planner Littman

Motion by McConaghy, seconded by Granger, that Councilmember Brown be excused from tonight's meeting.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

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

The following Commission member was in attendance:

- Catherine Dumke, Senior Citizens' Commission
- John Vitale, Planning Commission

**Motion** by Granger, seconded by Gafa, that all items on the **Consent Agenda be approved as presented.**

**A. Approval of Minutes**

1. Council 08/07/23
2. Committee-of-the-Whole 08/07/23 with recommendations

**B. Monthly Financial Report**

1. July 2023

**C. Bids/Proposals/Contracts**

1. 2023 Sidewalk Cutting Program - AEW Proj. No. 0160-0471
  - a. Memo 08/04/23 - Director of Public Services
  - b. Letter 08/02/23 - City Engineer Lockwood
  - c. Proposal Letter 07/12/23 - Precision Concrete Cutting (PCC)
2. Dog Park at City Hall
  - a. Memo 07/12/23 - Director of Public Services with attachments
  - b. Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes excerpts 08/07/23
3. Lake Front Park Splash Pad Improvement Project
  - a. Memo 07/12/23 - City Administrator with Vortex Quote
  - b. AEW 07/28/23 Estimate
  - c. Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes Excerpt 08/07/23

**D. Proclamation**

1. Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance
2. Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

**E. Resolution**

1. Alternate July/December board of Review Dates
  - a. Memo 08/10/23 - City Assessor
  - b. Proposed Resolution

**F. Claims and Accounts**

1. Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. (AEW) - City Engineers
  - a. Hampton Rd. Water Main & Resurfacing Project (Mack to Marter) - Proj. No. 0160-0456 - Pay Estimate No. 3 - Pamar Enterprises, Inc. - 08/08/23 - \$451,079.42.
  - b. 2022 Sidewalk Repair Program - Proj. No. 0160-0452 - Pay Estimate No. 4 - JB Contractors, Inc. - 08/09/23 - \$17,138.00.
2. Hallahan & Associates, P.C. - Professional Services - Invoice No. 20780 - July 2023 - 08/03/23 - \$1,236.29

3. Keller Thoma - Legal Services - Invoice No. 124473 - July 2023 - 08/01/23 - \$393.75.
4. Rosati, Schultz, Joppich & Amtsbuechler, P.C. - Legal Services - Invoice No. 1079966 - July 2023 - 08/09/23 - \$5,813.90.
5. WCA Assessing - Assessing Services - Invoice No. 0810823 - September 2023 - 08/10/23 - \$6,833.50.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor read aloud the proclamations regarding Prostate Cancer Awareness Month and Patriot Day/National Day of Service and Remembrance.

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

Motion by Gafa, Seconded by McConaghy, that the City Council recess the Council meeting and convene as a Zoning Board of Appeals.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The City Council recessed the Regular City Council Meeting and convened as a Zoning Board of Appeals at 7:12 p.m. Upon conclusion of the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting, the City Council reconvened at 7:33 p.m.

Motion by Vaughn, Seconded by Granger, that Councilmember Koester be excused from tonight's meeting.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Under New Business, the following individual was heard:

- City Administrator Schulte provided an update regarding the Chene-Trombley Park Project. The project is proceeding well, however, the playground equipment contractor, Penchura, will be unable to install the equipment until November. Mr. Schulte stated that the Department of Public Works will install the playground equipment with the assistance of AEW and possibly a representative of Penchura.

Under Public Comment, the following individual was heard:

- Peter Ahee, Ahee Jewelers – Commended and thanked the Administration for being wonderful to work with.

**Motion** by Granger, seconded by Vaughn, to **adjourn tonight's meeting** at 7:38 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

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Paul P. Antolin  
City Clerk

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Arthur W. Bryant  
Mayor