

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE  
POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 17, 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, Motschall  
ABSENT: McConaghy

Also Present: City Administrator Schulte  
Assistant City Administrator Como  
City Attorney Walling  
City Treasurer/Comptroller Schmidt  
City Clerk Antolin

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

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

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

The following Commission members were in attendance:

- Catherine Dumke, Senior Citizens' Commission
- Doug Hamborsky, Planning Commission

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

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

**A. Appointment**

1. Beautification Advisory Commission (Mayor)
  - a) Biographical Sketch - Mary Goerke - Term to expire: 12/31/26

**B. Approval of Minutes**

1. Council 03/03/25

**C. Commission/Committee Minutes Received and Placed on File**

1. Community Events Committee 03/04/25 with three (3) recommendations\*

*\*Recommendation approving the proposed 2025 Budget and transfer the sum of \$8,295.03 from the Community Events Committee Account No. 213-803-880.130 to the city's General Fund to cover overtime wages incurred from employees working the 2023 and 2024 events.*

*\*Recommendation to enter agreements with the following bands:*

- *Entourage Dance Band (June 27 – Music on the Lawn)*
- *Mainstream Drive (July 25 – Music on the Lawn)*
- *The Good Stuff (August 22 – Music on the Lawn)*
- *Sonic Freeway (October 4 – Fall Fest)*

*\*Recommendation to approve Community Event Committee funds to cover food expenses for the July 25 Music on the Lawn/75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Summer Celebration event in the amount of \$4,800.00 and the October 4 Fall Fest event in the amount of \$4,000.00.*

2. Senior Citizens' Commission 09/18/24\*

*\*Please note the recommendations within these minutes have been presented at the 11/18/24 Council meeting.*

**D. Monthly Financial Report**

1. February 2025

**E. Bids/Proposals/Contracts**

1. Lake Front Park Old Concession Stand Building Renovation
  - a) Memo 03/11/25 - Director of Public Services Kowalski
  - b) BID Sheet 02/12/25
  - c) Letter 03/11/25 - Robert A. Chapman, President of In-Line Construction
  - d) Scope of Work Description
2. Ghesquiere Park Restroom Renovation
  - a) Memo 03/11/25 - Director of Public Services Kowalski
  - b) Estimate 03/11/25 - Rely-On Construction
  - c) Estimate 02/27/25 - Capizzo Construction
3. Ghesquiere Park Handicap Accessible Friendship Swing
  - a) Memo 03/11/25 - Director of Public Services Kowalski
  - b) Proposal 12/13/24 - Penchura, LLC

**F. Proclamation**

1. Vietnam Veterans' Day (March 29)

**G. Claims and Accounts**

1. Hallahan & Associates, P.C. - Professional Services - Invoice No. 22406 - February 2025 - 03/03/25 - \$2,193.30.
2. Keller Thoma - Legal Services - Invoice No. 127317 - February 2025 - 03/01/25 - \$437.50.
3. Rosati, Schultz, Joppich & Amtsbuechler, P.C. - Legal Services - Invoice No. 1083047 - February 2025 - 03/11/25 - \$3,026.82
4. York, Dolan & Tomlinson, P.C. - Legal Services - Invoice No. 274 - February 2025 - 03/03/25 - \$3,146.50.
5. Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. (AEW) - City Engineers
  - a) Roslyn Rd. Water Main & Resurface (Mack/Marter) - Invoice No. 156160 - Proj. No. 0160-0464 - 02/19/25 - \$816.00.
  - b) 2024 Sewer Rehab By Full Length CIPP LIN - Invoice No. 156161 - Proj. No. 0160-0475 - 02/19/25 - \$616.75.
  - c) 2024 Miscellaneous Concrete Program - Invoice No. 156162 - Proj. No. 0160-0477 - 02/19/25 - \$707.75.
  - d) 2024-2025 General Engineering - Invoice No. 156163 - Proj. No. 0160-0484 - 02/19/25 - \$2,747.40.

- e) 2024-2025 GIS Maintenance - Invoice No. 156164 - Proj. No. 0160-0485 - 02/19/25 - \$3,733.30.
- f) Vernier & Mack Ave. Intersection Improvement - Invoice No. 156167 - Proj. No. 0160-0455 - 02/19/25 - \$3,771.44.
- g) Ghesquiere & Lakefront Park Bldg Renovation - Invoice No. 156172 - Proj. No. 0160-0479 - 02/20/25 - \$3,250.00.
- h) 2024 Water Reliability Study & AMP - Invoice No. 156312 - Proj. No. 0160-0490 - 02/24/25 - \$17,200.00.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

The mayor and members of the city council read aloud the Vietnam Veterans' Day Proclamation.

Mayor Bryant accepted the resignation of Brianne Josefiak from the Beautification Advisory Commission with regret, and direct that appropriate thanks and recognition be sent to Ms. Josefiak.

Under New Business, no one wished to be heard.

Under Public Comment, the following individual was heard:

- Anonymous Resident (Requested) – Addressed obscene signage at a residence near Monteith Elementary School.

**Motion** by Motschall, seconded by Koester, to **adjourn tonight's meeting** at 7:12 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

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Paul P. Antolin  
City Clerk

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Arthur W. Bryant  
Mayor