



# MEETING MINUTES

## GRAND RAPIDS COUNCIL

### REGULAR SESSION



Held: January 8, 2018

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The Council of The Village of Grand Rapids convened in regular session from 7:00 P.M. to 7:45 P.M. in the Grand Rapids Town Hall. Mayor John Berry called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Mayor Berry gave the Oath of Office to Jody Donsbach, Robert Krabill, and Mark Sarkan.

#### Council Drew Seats

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| 1. Treen    | Rachel Smith – Present  | Bob Krabill – Present |
| 2. Donsbach | Jody Donsbach – Present | Mark Sarkan – Present |
| 3. Sarkan   | Jeremy Treen – Present  |                       |
| 4. Krabill  |                         |                       |
| 5. Smith    |                         |                       |
| 6. Vacant   |                         |                       |

Mayor told Council that a President of Council needs to be appointed. Donsbach nominated Jeremy Treen for President of Council, Smith Seconded. No other nominations.

Votes were: Donsbach – yes      Krabill – yes      Sarkan – yes  
 Smith – yes      Treen – yes

**MOTION APPROVED**

2018 President of Council is Mr. Jeremy Treen.

**EMPLOYEES:** Chad Hoffman and Kristel Beyer

**VISITORS:** Erica Stoner– Downtown Christmas Lighting

#### **MINUTES:**

Krabill made a motion, seconded by Smith to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 11, 2017.

#### **BILLS:**

Smith made a motion, seconded by Donsbach to approve the paid from the December Meeting to January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Votes were: Smith – yes      Sarkan – yes      Krabill - yes  
 Treen – yes      Donsbach – yes

**MOTION APPROVED**

Mayor Berry stated approval of bills have passed.

**INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL:**

Erica Stoner introduced herself as one of the owners of a business downtown. She is in charge of the decorating committee for downtown Christmas Lighting, and is here to request a donation from the Village totaling \$471. Administrator stated we would like to know of this before the Christmas season so we can have a purchase order open to carry over into the next year. Erica stated that she believes that they haven't done this before because of extra charges added on at the end of the decorating season. Treen asked Kristel if this would be an issue to pay. Kristel stated whatever Council decides would require a motion for the dollar amount to be paid to the company for the Christmas decorating. After Council discussion.

Treen made a motion seconded by Krabill to pay G&S Swimming Pool Services the amount of \$471 for the Christmas Decorating.

Votes were:	Donsbach – yes	Smith – yes	Sarkan – yes
	Treen – yes	Krabill – yes	

**MOTION APPROVED**

**SHERIFF'S REPORT:** Arrived at 7:18 pm. Gave Mayor monthly report. Mayor asked how he liked the speed sign. Deputy thinks it's in a good spot. Administrator stated on the Sheriff's report, the stops in that area have gone down and we will be moving the speed sign to Second Street.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor assigned Council Committes and asked Kristel to bring copies for Council next meeting. Administrator told Mayor, Mike Fatzingers seat on the Planning Commission expired 12/31/17. Need to fill the vacancy.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Administrator read his report; it will be attached to the Official Minutes.

The delay on the Lift Station Project is because of one stainless steel electrical panel. Possible project start date is the end of February or the first of March. Krabill asked the timeline of the project once it gets started. Administrator stated 1 week per station. Krabill asked about funding. Administrator stated funding is all approved, it's a reimbursing grant through OPWC. Sarkan asked the locations of the stations. Administrator stated one at Mill Street and Front and one at Bridge Street and Rte. 65.

**FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT:** None

**READING OF COMMUNICATIONS:** Mayor told Council of a phone call he received from a resident that lives across the river that is very interested in getting Village water over to them. He had explained to her it would probably be very expenses, possibly going to their township trustees or get a petition started. The Mayor received a petition in the mail, Mayor wondered what Council would want to do, he thinks we should at least look into it to

give them an answer. After Council discussion. Administrator stated he would get some numbers on how much it would cost to get Village water to cross the river.

**COMMITTEES:** None

**ORDINANCES:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**COMMENTS:** Administrator asked Council to think of projects they want to do this year to be included in the upcoming permanent appropriations.

Treen asked about the itemized list of project ideas from Administrator.

Mayor reminded Council they have 30 days to fill the vacant seat or the Mayor will appoint someone after. Mayor also reminded Council of some projects discussed in 2016 and 2017 such as Walking Path, Sidewalks, another Speed Sign, Sewer Project in February or March, talked about cleaning up Council Chambers. Mayor expressed we don't always follow Roberts Rules but we do try to maintain order, be respectful to one another and hopes we continue to do so. Let's see what we can accomplish this year for the best of our Community.


**ADJOURNMENT:**

Donsbach made a motion, seconded by Smith, to adjourn.

Votes were:	Krabill – yes	Sarkan – yes	Smith – yes
	Donsbach –yes	Treen - yes	

**MOTION APPROVED**

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is January 22, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at the Grand Rapids Town Hall.

  
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 Kristel Beyer, Fiscal Officer

  
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 John Berry, Mayor

All formal actions of the Council of The Village of Grand Rapids concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.