

MEETING MINUTES

GRAND RAPIDS COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION



Held: June 25, 2018

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The Council of The Village of Grand Rapids convened in regular session from 7:00 P.M. to 7:57 P.M. in the Grand Rapids Town Hall. Mayor John Berry called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Bill Steck - Present Mark Sarkan – Present Rachel Smith – Present Jody Donsbach – Present

Bob Krabill – Present

Jeremy Treen - Absent

EMPLOYEES: Chad Hoffman and Kristel Beyer

VISITORS: Diana Votava and Rita Foos

MINUTES: Sarkan stated he made a comment at the last meeting, the reason he made the comment was to be put in the minutes. The comment was asking the Administrator if the additional hours for the Lift Station Project was still saving us money, he would like this added to the minutes. Mayor asked the Fiscal Officer if that could be done, she said yes. Krabill made a motion, seconded by Smith to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 11, 2018 as written.

BILLS: Mayor asked about the Toledo Elevator bill for the Town Hall elevator lift how much was for the repair and how much was the safety test. Administrator said that was the quote they gave us for the safety test and repair without parts, since it didn't need any parts the invoice was the same amount as the quote. Administrator said they cleaned the brushes on the dc motor, they also suggested to shut the main breaker off so there is no power to it when it is not in use. Sarkan asked about moisture being the cause, Administrator said he mentioned that but they didn't really say. Krabill asked who knows how to use the elevator lift, Administrator said anyone that would need to use it should know how. Krabill suggested reaching out to people that utilize the building and lift so they could be a phone call away to help out if needed.

Donsbach made a motion, seconded by Smith to approve the bills dated June 9 – June 22, 2018.

Votes were:

Smith – yes

Steck – yes

Donsbach – yes

Sarkan – yes

Krabill – yes

MOTION APPROVED

Mayor Berry stated approval of bills have passed.

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INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL:

Diana Votava from the Grand Rapids Arts Council came to discuss the Application for the Jazz and Art Fest. There is also a liquor permit on the application, Administrator stated once Council approves the Application then he will sign the Permit. Smith asked for no parking signs on both sides of Mill Street. Administrator told Diana to check with the Historical Society, they have a lot of those signs they could let you use. Administrator asked if Blue Bell Island will still be barricaded off. Rita said yes. Administrator asked Rita how many years this event has been going on, she thinks this is the 12th year.

Smith made a motion seconded by Donsbach to approve the application from the Grand Rapids Arts Council for the Sunset Jazz and Arts Fest on August 19, 2018.

Votes were: Steck – yes

Donsbach – yes

Sarkan – yes

Krabill – yes

Smith - yes

MOTION APPROVED

SHERIFF'S REPORT: None MAYOR'S REPORT: None

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Gave his report it will be attached to the Official Minutes.

Lift Station Project:

Donsbach questioned the transducer did we receive a lemon or were we over promised? Administrator stated we were over promised. Krabill asked how much a new one would cost and if the \$20,000 retainage would cover all of it, Administrator thinks that will cover the cost. Krabill asked if we descussed this with Mr. Marsh, Administrator stated he knows about it.

Utility Rates:

Krabill asked if this would just cover the BG inflation, Administrator said yes. Administrator asked Council if they want him to put together a rate ordinance to cover these five years. This will cover our actual cost and the inflation increase. Council agreed.

Since we reduced the size of our master meter from a ten inch to a 4 inch meter our capacity charge went down significantly. The 4 inch capacity charge is going up \$750 a year.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT: None

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS: None

COMMITTEES: None

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

Fiscal Officer gave the second reading to Ordinance 2018-2: An Ordinance to Request Auditor to Assess Lots and Lands of the Village of Grand Rapids for the Lighting of Streets, Alleys, Ways, and other Public Places.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

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NEW BUSINESS: Sarkan has been walking around the Village and through the parks and noticed we have a lot of clover, do we ever hit them with weed and feed? Administrator stated we have not in many years, he will get a cost to treat and get a price on burning it off and starting over. Mayor stated the old elementary park mulch is turning to mud in a lot of areas, possibly adding more mulch would help. Administrator stated it's because there is not any drainage there. Mayor asked if they Recycling dumpsters at the Water Plant have been delivered, Administrator stated yes. Mayor asked if people from out of town can use them, Administrator said yes. The Administrator received notice from the County that the Cub Scouts will not be taking care of the recycling. The new list of things the Scouts would have to do include; checking the area several times a week, take out any garbage or bags they find, and breakdown cardboard boxes. The County would supply them with gloves, bags, vests and grabbers. Donsbach asked if the Scouts would be interested in doing the first Saturday of the month if we decide to pull out the containers. Krabill stated they discontinued that program in lieu of this new program. Steck asked about the trailer parked on Front Street? Mayor stated he went down and told them they couldn't be there. Krabill suggested notifying businesses to report this happening. Administrator said the businesses is how the Mayor found out about the trailer selling items on Front Street. Steck stated where he came from they had a Green River Ordinance, Administrator said that requires a permit to solicit and we have that. Administrator stated Mr. Marsh has said no ordinance is required if it's in the right of way. It's simple if you don't own it, don't use it. Steck asked about the alley way on Wapakoneta. Mayor stopped there on Father's Day to discuss and she immediately told him to get off her property, which he was in the Village alley not her property. Mayor was trying to explain to her to save her items before the company comes in to fix the pavement.

COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Votes were: Donsbach – yes

Sarkan – yes

Krabill- yes

ohn Berry, Mayor

Smith –yes

Steck - yes

MOTION APPROVED

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is July 9, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at the Grand Rapids Town Hall.

Kristel Beyer, Fiscal Officer

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.