



MEETING MINUTES

GRAND RAPIDS COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION



Held: January 13, 2020

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The Council of The Village of Grand Rapids convened in regular session from 7:00 P.M. to 7:41 P.M. in the Grand Rapids Town Hall. Mayor John Berry called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Council Drew Seats:

1. Krabill
2. Sarkan
3. Steck
4. Tolles
5. Donsbach
6. Smith

Carol Steck – Present	Rachel Smith – Present
Mark Sarkan – Present	Jody Donsbach – Present
Bob Krabill – Present	Rick Tolles – Present

Prior to the meeting, the Administrator gave the Oath of Office to Mayor John Berry. Then Mayor John Berry gave the Oath of Office to Rachel Smith and Rick Tolles.

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

Votes were:	Sarkan –yes	Krabill – yes	Donsbach – yes
	Tolles – yes	Steck – yes	

MOTION APPROVED

2020 President of Council is Rachel Smith.

EMPLOYEES: Chad Hoffman and Kristel Beyer

VISITORS: None

MINUTES:

Krabill made a motion, seconded by Donsbach to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 9, 2019 as submitted. Krabill made a motion, seconded by Steck to approve the minutes of the special meeting held on December 30, 2019 as submitted.

BILLS:

Donsbach made a motion, seconded by Smith to approve the bills from January 1 – January 10, 2020 and the bills paid from December 7 – December 31, 2019.

Votes were:	Smith - yes	Krabill - yes	Donsbach – yes
	Tolles - yes	Steck – yes	Sarkan – yes

MOTION APPROVED

Mayor Berry stated approval of bills have passed.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL: None

SHERIFF'S REPORT: Sheriff gave Mayor monthly report. Sheriff asked if Council had any questions. Mayor said just the individual that drove through the park. Donsbach asked about the December break-ins. The Sheriff said they have some suspects in mind.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor gave an apology to Council for not informing them of the flood threat when he was contacted by the weather bureau. He did go to all the stores and inform them but he should have also sent an email to Council. Administrator stated the Village got a load of sand in preparation for flooding, this will be available for use if needed this Spring. Krabill asked about CodeRed, this could have been utilized for the flood warning. Administrator thought the County should of sent out a message. Sarkan asked about the water level gauge on the bridge, has that ever been reinstalled. Mayor was told the governor has a new program called H2O Ohio, this program has money in the fund for items such as an automated reader. The lady the Mayor talks to at the weather bureau put in a request for one for the Village. She still hasn't heard anything.

Mayor stated he thinks Council has done a great job last year and wants to continue this. We don't follow Roberts Rules entirely but he feels they do a great job to get things done. We are curious and good to each other and the people that come in.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

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

Mayor asked about the St Rt 65 sewer extension project. Administrator has not got the final number; this was supposed to be bid out soon to start in the Spring. He will contact Poggemeyer.

Administrator said we received a thank you letter from the Church that we donated to in Mr. Marsh's mothers honor. Also received a letter from the Sheriff's Department, they will be receiving a 3% raise.

Krabill asked about the location of the bike repair stand and number for Town Hall. Do you want us to bring ideas to next meeting? Administrator stated we have time on the bike repair stand because we still have to order it but the number for the Town Hall, yes.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT: None

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS: Mayor received invitation from Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce for the annual legislative breakfast on Friday Feb. 14th at 7:30 am at the University of Toledo. Mayor received an invitation from the Wood County Board of Developmental Disabilities they are celebrating Developmental Disabilities Awareness during the month of March. They are having a CommUNITY Basketball game featuring their Special Olympics athletes who will be playing against a team of local Celebrities on Tuesday March 10, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Dolores Black gymnasium in the BG Community Center. Mayor said the Township contacted him and they would like to possibly have two meetings a year together. Council agreed it was a good idea.

COMMITTEES: None

ORDINANCES: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Administrator said the Otsego Superintendent and Treasurer will be having community coffee talks. One is at the Library in Grand Rapids on January 23, 2020 at 8 am. Mayor said there were some projects in the past we have been thinking about. One was painting this room and cleaning it up, idea of frisbee golf, lights down main street and always have trees to plant. Something to think about.

NEW BUSINESS: Administrator asked Council to think about projects that they would like to do before we do our permanent appropriations this March. Steck asked if there was anything that could be a potential emergency project we should prepare for. Administrator said there is three potential areas, one at beaver creek, near Nazareth Hall and at the old Vollmar's Park area. Administrator will get some numbers. Mayor gave Council the new Committee Assignments. Mayor asked Council if there is anything they would like to add to the Village Brochure or the Spring Notes, let Kristel know.

COMMENTS: None

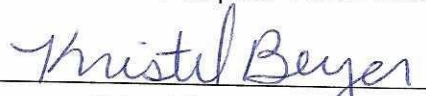
ADJOURNMENT:

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

Votes were:	Krabill – yes	Donsbach –yes	Tolles – yes
	Steck – yes	Sarkan – yes	Smith – yes

MOTION APPROVED

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is January 27, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. at the Grand Rapids Town Hall.



Kristel Beyer, Fiscal Officer



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.