



MEETING MINUTES

GRAND RAPIDS COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION



Held: February 24, 2020

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The Council of The Village of Grand Rapids convened in regular session from 7:00 P.M. to 7:42 P.M. in the Grand Rapids Town Hall. Mayor John Berry called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Carol Steck - Present
Mark Sarkan - Present
Bob Krabill - Present

Rachel Smith - Present
Jody Donsbach - Present
Rick Tolles - Present

EMPLOYEES: Chad Hoffman and Kristel Beyer

VISITORS: Joe Long

MINUTES:

Donsbach made a motion, seconded by Smith to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 10, 2020.

BILLS:

Smith made a motion, seconded by Donsbach to approve the bills dated February 8 – February 21, 2020.

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

MOTION APPROVED

Krabill asked about the road salt purchased. Administrator said that amount is 20 tons. We have the odot contract to purchase 40 tons this year.

Mayor Berry stated approval of bills have passed.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL:

Joe Long said in November we lost a good friend upstairs here. It raised concern that there is not an address posted in the Town Hall building upstairs or outside. When they called dispatch for an emergency squad they wanted to know an address and there wasn't one posted. He stated some of the Village Parks have addresses and some don't, he feels it would be beneficial for Council to post the addresses on their properties. Mayor said Council has discussed the address on the outside of the Town Hall building and we have one coming. Joe asked if he can post an address upstairs by the stairway. Council approved.

SHERIFF'S REPORT: None

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor said everyone received the letter from the Arts Council about a memorial for Julie Pontash. He stated he thinks that someone should attend a meeting and let us know what, where and the size of the item. Sarkan said he can give some information on that. The Arts Council wants to install a mosiac in the gable of the Wright Pavillion facing east. His only question is if its appropriate to commerate someone at a location that was put up to commerate someone else. Steck stated possibly asking the Wright family if it would be okay to do.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

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

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT: Fiscal Officer told Council that the Ordinance on the Agenda is the final reading and could be passed tonight.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS: Mayor stated we received a thank you letter from Ruth Gahler from Edward Jones Financial that attended our last meeting. He also received a letter from Ohio Treasurer Robert Sprague thanked us for having a good council and to contact them at anytime they are here to help us. Steck asked the rest of Council if they received an email concerning prostate cancer, most of Council received the same email. Administrator received information from Grand Rapids Township about them applying for a sign grant through odot and since the Village is within the Township the Village could also get new road signs. Administrator will review the packet he received. Mayor stated the Prostate Cancer email was to help support this issue with a proclamation.

COMMITTEES: Smith stated the Finance Committee met and we reviewed the Credit Card Policy and approved it the way it was written. We also reviewed the annual Appropriation Ordinance, we decided to have another meeting to discuss potential projects. We had this meeting prior and Smith requested a Sidewalk Meeting to be held before approval of Appropriations.

ORDINANCES: The Mayor gave the third reading of Ordinance 2020-1: Ordinance Authorizing the Transfer of Certain Village Property to Habitat for Humanity of Wood County, Ohio.

Smith made a motion seconded by Krabill for passage of Ordinance 2020-1.

Votes were: Donsbach – yes
Smith – yes

Tolles – yes
Krabill – yes

Sarkan – yes
Steck – yes

MOTION APPROVED

Mayor stated Ordinance 2020-1 passes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Tolles stated there is a state salt truck with lights flashing that sits across from the house on the corner of Monroe and Rt 65. Administrator said he would contact odot to get this issue resolved.

COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

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

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

MOTION APPROVED

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is March 9, 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.