

MEETING MINUTES

GRAND RAPIDS COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION



Held: August 10, 2020

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The Council of The Village of Grand Rapids convened in regular session from 7:00 P.M. to 7:27 P.M. in the Old Fire Hall. Mayor John Berry called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Bob Krabill – Present Mark Sarkan - Present

Carol Steck - Present

Rachel Smith - Present

Jody Donsbach - Present

Rick Tolles - Present

EMPLOYEES: Chad Hoffman and Kristel Beyer

VISITORS: None

MINUTES:

Krabill made a motion, seconded by Smith to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 27, 2020.

BILLS:

Donsbach made a motion, seconded by Smith to approve the bills dated July 24 – August 6, 2020.

Votes were:

Steck – yes

Tolles - yes

Sarkan – ves

Donsbach - yes

Krabill –yes

Smith - yes

MOTION APPROVED

Krabill asked about the sewer UV lights are they a result of the testing. Administrator said these are extra bulbs for the unit. It takes care of the water that leaves the wastewater plant by killing the bugs in it. Krabill asked how often they get changed out, Administrator stated many years ago the unit was installed and this is the first time we had to purchase replacement bulbs. These bulbs get changed when necessary.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL: None

SHERIFF'S REPORT: None

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor stated the town has been very busy during this time. This is a good thing for the merchants. He hopes the business's are thriving because of it.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

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

ODOT: We will be applying for another grant to cover the remaining costs of the Wapakoneta Road project. Mayor said we asked ODOT to widen the area of Wapakoneta Road and State Route 65, this would give more room for semi's and farm equipment to get through.

Sewer Project: Sarkan asked about the individual that wanted to get out of the project. Administrator stated they are still in the project and they never said anything to him when Administrator met with him.

Employees: Administrator will get an interim employee from an agency while we find someone permanent.

Administrator stated we will be getting a new pipe locator from Precision Laser. Steck asked how long Adam was employed here. Administrator stated 3 years, he has been going back through the prior applicants. Steck asked how we advertise. Administrator stated we will put it online on different sites and in the paper. Smith said it's too bad we have to lose him; he was a good hard worker.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Gave Council the July 2020 Bank Reconciliation with accompanying Bank Statements. Gave Finance Committee Appropriation Status, Revenue Status and Fund Listing. Also, Rita called the office to get the word out about the Township testing the siren Wednesday at noon on Mill Street.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS: Mayor got a hold of the guy with the new product replacing sand bags for flooding. The guy would like to do a demonstration in Grand Rapids. He will be in contact with the Mayor. Mayor stated the town will be turned teal in September.

Administrator asked Sarkan about the mural the Arts Council is doing, is that progressing. Sarkan stated his wife is a member of the Arts Council and doesn't know many specifics. Carol contacted Becky Sheppard, who did all the work in Laroe's, because she knows the town and community. Then other people invited others to apply but right now he doesn't know where its at. Mayor stated the location of the mural is the wall located next to the bike shop.

COMMITTEES: None ORDINANCES: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Mayor asked if anyone thought of where to install the bicycle repair stand. Smith would like to see the size of the unit before deciding. Sarkan agreed. Smith likes the area East of the Marathon in the stone parking lot. Smith asked where we are at with the address signs for the Town Hall and parks. Administrator said he doesn't know what type of sign Council wants. Mayor suggested a plague on the building, Home Depot sells them.

NEW BUSINESS: Sarkan asked if there is a curfew in town for adolescents. Smith said yes, 11 pm. Sarkan asked about the morning time. He seen a few young people walking down the alley at 5:30 am. Smith was unsure about the morning time.

COMMENTS: Smith suggested posting the position on the Ohio Municipal League website. Administrator said yes.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Votes were:

Tolles - yes

Sarkan – yes

Donsbach - yes

Krabill – yes

Smith - yes

Steck - yes

MOTION APPROVED

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is August 24, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. at the

Old Fire 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.