



MEETING MINUTES

GRAND RAPIDS COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION



Held: March 8, 2021

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The Council of The Village of Grand Rapids convened in regular session from 7:00 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. in the Old Fire 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: None

MINUTES:

Donsbach made a motion, seconded by Smith to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 22, 2021.

BILLS:

Smith made a motion, seconded by Donsbach to approve the bills dated February 19 – March 4, 2021.

Votes were:

Krabill – yes
Tolles – yes

Smith – yes
Sarkan – yes

Steck – yes
Donsbach – yes

MOTION APPROVED

Krabill asked if the Road Salt was the contractual obligation. Administrator stated yes that is half of it. Mayor asked about the Casa Bella Cleaning is it just for two weeks. Yes. Mayor Berry stated approval of bills have passed.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL: None

SHERIFF'S REPORT: None

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor asked if we still need to schedule the sidewalk committee meeting. Administrator stated yes, so we can get a plan made up. Administrator stated there is a company that wants to do a demo of leveling sidewalks, he sent Council an email on it.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Gave his report it will be attached to the Official Minutes. Steck asked why the income tax was down. Administrator stated its mostly withholdings and individuals. Steck asked about the lawn maintenance for Bluebell and Howard why were those areas treated. Administrator stated they were full of clover. Steck asked if we should be worried about runoff. Administrator stated he would contact the company to

find out, he is sure we had asked this question originally. Steck asked about the Town Hall elevator problems is it because there is no heat. Administrator stated its mostly because of lack of use and moisture. Steck stated it seems like we fix it all the time. Smith suggested possibly replacing it with something more up to date and would be able to deal with the moisture versus putting money into the old elevator. Administrator stated he would check on other devices that may be better than what we got. Mayor stated it would be nice to see what we spend on it from the last 10 years. Steck asked if it was madatory to have, Administrator stated no. Donsbach stated if we want to be in compliance with ADA. Administrator said the reason it was put in was because the Arts Council was going to apply for Grants to enhance the entire building for their program. They had to be ADA compliant to be able to qualify for the grants, this was why it was put in. The Arts Council ended up not pursueing the grants. Steck asked if we can ask the Arts Council to pursue today. Administrator said there are grants for the arts. Krabill stated to look into the covid relief as well. Administrator said we can look into workers comp. Krabill asked if the projected forecast of - 9.1% income tax was from 2020 or 2019 number. Administrator said the 2019 number.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT: Gave Council the February 2021 Bank Reconciliation with accompanying Bank Statements. Gave Finance Committee Appropriation Status, Revenue Status and Fund Listing. We need to schedule a finance committee meeting to discuss the permanent appropriations. Gave Council a copy of the tax payer assistance form, CCA will not be coming to assist taxpayers this year. This is a way for residents to send in their Village income taxes and CCA will prepare at no charge.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS: None

COMMITTEES: None

ORDINANCES: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Smith scheduled a Finace, Wages & Audit Committee Meeting on March 22, 2021 at 6:30 pm to discuss Appropriations.

Tolles scheduled a Streets and Sidewalk Committee meeting for April 12, 2021 at 6pm to discuss Sidewalks.

NEW BUSINESS: Donsbach was told that when the bank parking lot was plowed, the pylons got pushed into the sidewalk, the curb by the drive thru broke off and is also in the walkway. Administrator will contact the bank. Donsbach said the clock downtown one side works and the other side doesn't. Krabill asked if Steck wanted an answer on run off before approval of applications. Krabill would like to go forward with it but it would be nice to hear what they have to say.

COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

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

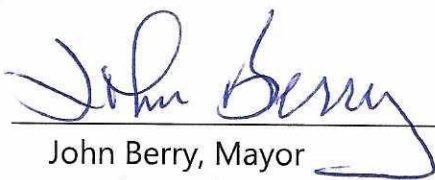
Votes were: Smith – yes Steck – yes Tolles – yes
 Sarkan – yes Donsbach – yes Krabill – yes

MOTION APPROVED

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is March 22, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. at the Grand Rapids 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.