



MEETING MINUTES

GRAND RAPIDS COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION



Held: June 14, 2021

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The Council of The Village of Grand Rapids convened in regular session from 7:00 P.M. to 7:37 P.M. in the Old Fire Hall. Mayor John Berry called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Rick Tolles – Present

Carol Steck – Present

Rachel Smith – Present

Mark Sarkan - Present

Bob Krabill – Present

Jody Donsbach – Absent

EMPLOYEES: Chad Hoffman and Kristel Beyer

VISITORS: David Fowler, Steve Kryder

MINUTES:

Krabill made a motion, seconded Steck to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 24, 2021.

BILLS:

Smith made a motion, seconded by Tolles to approve the bills dated May 21 – June 10, 2021.

Votes were:

Tolles – yes

Steck – yes

Sarkan – yes

Krabill – yes

Smith – yes

MOTION APPROVED

Steck asked about the water testing. Administrator stated that is routine testing that is required and we take to Jones and Henry. Steck asked where that was, Administrator stated Walbridge. Other testing is through Masi Labs and they will come once a week to pick up.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL:

Steve Kryder gave Council a copy of the request for the Historical Society Applebutter Fest. Steve added an addendum per the Mayor's request that includes items that were discussed at our meeting with the Health Department. The society will work with complying with all the protocols that the Health Department put forth. They will be putting signage at entrances and parking areas that suggest social distancing and masks. The Health Dept talked about providing this type of signage. We will have more wash and sanitize stations. We will have spacing with craft and food booths. Steve stated currently there is a requirement for public transportation and wearing masks. So, they will have mask requirement posted on the buses from parking spaces. Sarkan asked if the Health Department suggested how many sanitizing stations there should be, Steve stated they have not. Steve stated once we have things in place, he is sure the health department would suggest where to have them and how many. Krabill asked if they will be supplying masks on the buses. Steve stated that they will have a sign stating something like "mask required and if you don't have one, we would provide one". Steve is hoping the application is sufficient for Council and thanked them for reviewing it. Steve

wanted to thank Carol Steck for her husband's project on the downtown flags, it looks terrific. Steve also thanked the Village employees for installing them.

David Fowler was here to discuss movie night. He forgot to ask for a rain date since this Friday is forecasted with evening thunder storms. He would like the rain dates to be the following Friday from the original planned date. Also, he had a resident offer to fog the park before the movie, would this be allowed. Administrator stated it would be best for the Village to do it since we are licensed. Council agreed to the rain dates for the movie nights. Mayor stated himself and Mr. Fowler went through the Town Hall and the restrooms are in horrible shape. Administrator stated that has been taken care of. David Fowler asked about the power, Mayor stated that will be taken care of.

SHERIFF'S REPORT: Gave Mayor monthly report. Deputy asked Council if they had any concerns. Mayor stated there was some activity up on Bridge Street with putting off fireworks, asked the deputy to keep an eye out.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Administrator stated Ohio Carriage rides have requested permission to provide rides within the village. There was also a lady that stated she will be driving through town with a horse and buggy. Administrator stated he asked Mr. Marsh and they have to obide by the ORC, by having lights on the back and a sign. They do have to take care of the animals waste. The Ohio Carriage rides have to be set up on private property. Administrator stated you can see on the bills tonight that we are paying \$1200 a month for restroom cleaning, do we still want to continue this. Krabill stated this would fall back on the guys to clean. Administrator stated yes. Smith stated she thinks we need to continue using the cleaning service. Council decided to continue the public restroom cleaning service. Administrator keeps calling the concrete companys for village sidewalk quotes but still hasn't heard anything back. He will keep working on it. We received our drafft NPDES Permit. There will be additional testing and a lot more paperwork which seems to duplicate our asset management plan. Administrator stated we are fortunate they are not requiring us to test for phosforus. Krabill thanked the Administrator for installing the bike repair station.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT: Gave Council the May 2021 Bank Reconciliation with accompanying Bank Statements. Gave Finance Committee Appropriation Status, Revenue Status and Fund Listing. We have a first reading on an Ordinance tonight and 3 second readings on an Ordinance and Resolutions. Also gave Council a copy of the Cub Scout Applebutter Application and the Chambers Light the Night and Christmas Open House Applications. Krabill asked about the acceptance of a letter from the Auditor. Kristel stated yes, to be able to place a levy on the ballot we had to approve a Resolution of Necessity, then accept the certificate from the county auditor and finally approve the Resolution to proceed.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS: None

COMMITTEES: None

ORDINANCES:

Mayor gave the first reading to Ordinance 2021-6: Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a real estate agreement and execute a deed and all other documents necessary to complete the sale of Village parcel number E19-509-070000036001.

Mayor gave the second reading to Ordinance 2021-5: 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.

Mayor gave the second reading to Resolution 2021-05: A Resolution to proceed to submit to the electors of the Village of Grand Rapids the Question of a renewal of a tax in excess of the 10-mill limitation for the purpose of providing 2.0 mills for the general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, and repairs of streets & bridges in the Village of Grand Rapids.

Mayor gave the second reading to Resolution 2021-06: A Resolution authorizing the Village Administrator to prepare and submit a 2022 application to participate in the wood county park grant program(s) and to execute contracts as required.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Smith made a motion seconded by Krabill to approve the Historical Society's application for the 43rd Annual Applebutter Fest as presented.

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

MOTION APPROVED

Krabill made a motion seconded by Smith for acceptance of the certificate of estimated property tax revenue.

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

MOTION APPROVED

Mayor asked Council if they would like the Scouts and the Chamber to attend the next meeting for their applications. Council stated yes.

NEW BUSINESS: Tolles asked if we heard anything about the Julie Pontash Memorial. Mayor hasn't heard anything and he asked Steve Kryder. Steve doesn't know anything about it, you would have to ask the Arts Council. Mayor stated there is a motor home stored in the right of way on Y Street. A deputy went to let him know it needed moved. The gentleman went to the Mayor's home after and the Mayor told him it is not supposed to be there and that he doesn't own the right of way. He thought he was going to attend tonight's meeting. There is also some down this way that we need to address as well. We are advocates for everyone in town so we need to monitor these items.

COMMENTS: Steve Kryder stated the Historical Society is doing another project. It is a walking tour of the Village. We will be putting brochures in the information cabin and throughout town. It will have QR system to be able to walk up to a building

and listen to the description. We are in the process of getting all this together.

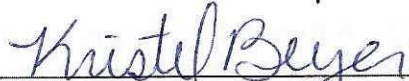
ADJOURNMENT:

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


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

MOTION APPROVED

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is June 28, 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.