



MEETING MINUTES

GRAND RAPIDS COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION



Held: August 9, 2021

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The Council of The Village of Grand Rapids convened in regular session from 7:00 P.M. to 8:01 P.M. in the Old Fire Hall. Mayor John Berry called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

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| Bob Krabill – Present | Rick Tolles – Present |
| Mark Sarkan – Present | Jody Donsbach – Present |
| Carol Steck – Present | Rachel Smith – 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 July 26, 2021.

Smith made a motion, seconded by Donsbach to approve the public hearing meeting minutes held on July 9, 2021.

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

MOTION APPROVED

BILLS:

Krabill made a motion, seconded by Steck to approve the bills dated July 23 – August 5, 2021.

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

MOTION APPROVED

Donsbach asked how long the PSI utility bills purchase last for. Kristel stated over a year.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL: None

SHERIFF'S REPORT: Arrived at 7:15 pm. Sarkan asked about the motor cycle issue. Deputy stated he didn't find anything in the Ohio Revised Code and they do not have a decimal meter to be able to enforce it.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor informed Council that a former Fiscal Officer Don Estep passed away last week. He worked for the Village for quite a while and did a great job.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Administrator stated the Sheriff Department will be at the bike parade. The Arts Council may want people at the intersections. We received our mosquito spray finally and then our mosquito sprayer broke down. We will try using some old gears

to fix the pump in it. The unit is 40 years old and no repair parts are available. A new sprayer will cost \$11,500. We also have a sludge actuator that doesn't work. We are getting a quote for this repair. Administrator is hoping to have information by next meeting. We received a quote from a contractor for sidewalks. \$10.75 sq. ft. this included out to the street with ADA sections, includes topsoil and seeding. The quote is extremely higher than we expected. Section 1 total was \$53,060, Section 13 \$36,480 and Section 3 \$53,940. He will be receiving another quote from K & K. Administrator stated Kristel asked him today about the Applebutter Festival passes, will we still be mailing the passes out to the people that have requested. Council stated yes. Administrator asked Kristel how many people requested so far, Kristel said 6. Vance Weaver will be attending our next meeting for a signature from the Mayor for his Eagle Scout Project. Asked Council to go take a look at it. Administrators only question is the cannon color is not an army green color, does Council want him to fix this before he gets a signature. Administrator requests an executive session at the end of this meeting to discuss employees review. Smith asked what Contactor gave the concrete quote, McVicker Concrete. Sarkan asked who put the sidewalks in where Don Entenmann lived. Administrator stated he didn't know. Sarkan noticed those sidewalks shifted so much and wondered who it was so we don't hire them.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT: Gave Council the July 2021 Bank Reconciliation with accompanying Bank Statements. Gave Finance Committee Appropriation Status, Revenue Status and Fund Listing. Explained to Council we have a first reading of an Ordinance tonight and then we have the Resolution to amend our appropriations to include the American Rescue Plan funding and since this is for finances it will just need a motion for approval. Also, in your packet is the application from the Grand Rapids Little League for the Applebutter Festival.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS: Mayor received a letter from the Ovarian Cancer Connection and they would like to turn our town teal again. He will be sending the letter back to allow this. Mayor stated we had an Applebutter Fest meeting on Aug. 5th and now Council needs to schedule a Safety Meeting to discuss the Applebutter Fest. Mayor received a message from Tow Path radio about sending messages out on the radio to relay messages for Council. Mayor stated he thought that was nice of him to communicate this for Council.

COMMITTEES: None

ORDINANCES:

Mayor gave the first reading to Ordinance 2021-8: Ordinance Vacating Alley between inlots 48 and 49 in the Village of Grand Rapids.

Mayor Berry gave the first reading to Resolution 2021-08: Resolution Amending Appropriation Ordinance 2021-3.

Smith made a motion seconded by Donsbach for passage of Resolution 2021-08: Resolution Amending Appropriation Ordinance 2021-3.

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

MOTION APPROVED

Mayor stated Resolution 2021-08 has passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Donsbach asked the Administrator on the status of the car parked out front of the Downeys property. Administrator will contact him tomorrow.

Mayor stated we have the application for use of public property for the Applebutter Fest from the Grand Rapids Little League.

Krabill made a motion, seconded by Steck to approve the application for use of public property from the Grand Rapids Little League for the 2021 Applebutter Festival from October 8th to October 10, 2021.

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

MOTION APPROVED

NEW BUSINESS: Krabill made a motion, seconded by Smith to purchase a new mosquito sprayer at a cost of \$11,500 if unable to repair the old one.

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Administrator stated if and when we receive the pickup truck we ordered a few months ago he suggested using the old truck for mosquito spraying only. The new mosquito unit has GPS and satellite imagery and we will be able to do everything from the cab to the unit. The unit will regulate the amount of spray on the mph of the truck. This unit logs everything while your spraying. The department of agricultural comes in to check on our spraying, this would be a great way to keep records. Steck asked if we would be able to get this unit or will it be back ordered like everything else. Administrator stated they had 6 in stock currently. Mayor asked if it downloads to printable paper, Administrator is unsure on that. Mayor said Don Estep's family is requesting to put a park bench at the pool or Labino Park in remembrance of Don. Steck asked if Administrator received a phone call from a gentleman from Williamsburg about wanting water. Administrator stated yes.

COMMENTS: Donsbach said the stained glass is installed and looks very nice in remembrance of Julie Pontash, the dedication is Aug. 29th. Mayor stated a new store called Buchuvida is having a grand opening on Wednesday at 5 pm.

Donsbach made a motion, seconded by Smith to go into executive session to include the Mayor, Council, Fiscal Officer, Village Administrator and Village employee Chad Beyer to discuss employee review.

