



# MEETING MINUTES

## GRAND RAPIDS COUNCIL

### REGULAR SESSION



Held: February 14, 2022

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The Council of The Village of Grand Rapids convened in regular session from 7:00 P.M. to 7:45 P.M. in the Old Fire Hall. Mayor John Berry called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Mayor Berry gave the Oath of Office to Bob Krobill prior to the Council Meeting.

Rachel Smith – Present      Martha Frantz - Present  
Lynn Sylvain – Present      Rick Tolles – Present  
Jody Donsbach – Present      Bob Krabill - Present

**EMPLOYEES:** Chad Beyer

**VISITORS:** Angie Miller, Jeff Gensler

**MINUTES:** Donsbach made a motion, seconded by Smith to approve the minutes of the regular meetings held on December 13, 2021 and January 10, 2022.

Votes were:      Smith – yes      Frantz – yes      Sylvain – no  
                         Tolles – yes      Donsbach – yes      Krabill – yes

**MOTION APPROVED**

**BILLS:**

Smith made a motion, seconded by Donsbach to approve the bills from January 7, 2022 – January 20, 2022 and January 21, 2022 – February 10, 2022.

Votes were:      Smith – yes      Tolles – yes      Frantz – yes  
                         Donsbach – yes      Krabill - yes      Sylvain – no

**MOTION APPROVED**

Mayor Berry stated approval of bills have passed.

**INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL:**

Angie Miller gave Council a flyer on a Simplicity App which would be helpful to getting information out to residents like the cancelation of the last Council meeting. She will gather more information and get back to Council.

**SHERIFF'S REPORT:** None

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** None

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Chad stated the limitorque actuator has been ordered for the clarifier, cost is \$4,712. It will take 6 weeks to get. I had Aqualine come and inspect a waterleak in Village Lane but they didn't find anything. The phone's at the Administration Building have been going out, Frontier is looking into replacing the pole and pedestal. They will be getting us a price. There was a water leak out at 20 Back Bay Road. I had Panning Excavating come out and dig up the problem area. We got the leak fixed. While digging up the leak we hit an invisible fence line which will be fixed at the Village's expense, we also hit an irregation line which we can fix when it gets warmer. The road will need repaired there. Panning Excavating bill is \$1,530. The Village's Ohio Plan Renewal is \$14,135. I ordered smart phones, our old plan was \$34.50 per phone new plan \$39.99 per phone for unlimited. We fixed a water leak out at Village Lane but still have another issue there, keeping an eye on it. I had backflow preventer checked and certified on 1-19-

22 by Gearhart. The handheld was ordered January 11<sup>th</sup> and was received today. Grant from Core & Main will be here February 17<sup>th</sup> to setup. We needed new tires for the backhoe ordered from Howards Friendly Service and were put on the 11<sup>th</sup> at a cost of \$2,028.10. I did get two other quotes both were higher.

**FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT:** None

**READING OF COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**COMMITTEES:** None

**ORDINANCES:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Mayor stated Lynn Long had scheduled a meeting to discuss the Town Hall usage on Saturday February 19, 2022 at 10 am.

Mayor stated a Council President needs to be chosen. Donsbach nominated Rachel Smith for Council President. Sylvain nominated Martha Frantz for Council President.

Mayor stated we will go to a written paper ballot vote. Votes were:

Rachel Smith – 5 votes, Martha Frantz – 1 vote. Mayor stated the Council President is Rachel Smith and congratulated her.

Syvain would like to discuss Chad Hoffman's information on the \$70,000. Sylvain motioned to discuss Chad Hoffman's \$70,000 seconded by Tolles.

Votes were: Sylvain – yes                      Krabill – no                      Tolles – yes  
Frantz – no                                      Donsbach – no                      Smith – no

**MOTION FAILS**

**NEW BUSINESS:** Sylvain discussed maternity leave and referenced page 23 of the employee policy and procedure manual. Sylvain made a recommendation for it to be revised. Council agreed. Sylvain asked for the schedule on the Council's Vision meeting and believes the Council Rules & Regulations are out of date and need an update. Sylvain mentioned welcoming visitors and Frantz suggested making a poster. Sylvain asked what is a reasonable amount of time for a records request.

Sylvain would like to discuss and reevaluate the 2009 Council Rules & Regulations and Employee Handbook, seconded by Frantz.

Votes were: Smith – yes                      Donsbach – yes                      Frantz – yes  
Tolles – yes                                      Krabill – yes                      Sylvain – yes

**MOTION APPROVED**

Jeff Gensler submitted a public records request.

**COMMENTS:** None

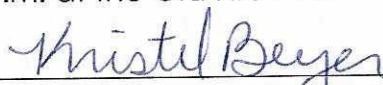
**ADJOURNMENT:**

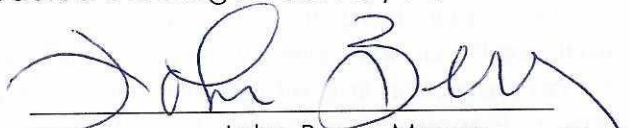
Donsbach made a motion, seconded by Smith, to adjourn.

Votes were: Donsbach – yes                      Sylvain – yes                      Smith – yes  
Tolles – yes                                      Frantz – yes                      Krabill - yes

**MOTION APPROVED**

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is February 28, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. at the Old Fire Hall.

  
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Kristel Beyer, Fiscal Officer

  
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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.