



MEETING MINUTES

GRAND RAPIDS COUNCIL

SPECIAL SESSION



Held: July 18, 2026

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The Council of The Village of Grand Rapids convened in special session from 9:30 A.M. to 9:50 A.M. in the Grand Rapids Town Hall. Mayor John Berry called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Rachel Smith – Present
Rick Tolles – Present
Jody Donsbach – Present

Doug Grey - Present
Sean Thiebaut – Present
Louise Estep – Present

Mayor stated he called this meeting to discuss ODOT Legislation and the Street Levy. Fiscal Officer stated we received the requested ODOT Legislation on Tuesday after our meeting and they requested it back promptly to start pursuing project details on repairs to the bridge due to the washout. Administrator stated that the project was to start the day after the Applebutter Fest. Mayor stated there will be no cost to the Village for this project.

Mayor gave first reading of Ordinance 2026-9: Consent Legislation

Smith made a motion seconded by Grey to suspend the reading to Ordinance 2026-9: Consent Legislation due to time constraints on moving forward with the project with fixing the washout at the bridge.

Votes were: Donsbach – yes
Tolles -yes

Grey – yes
Smith – yes

Estep – yes
Thiebaut – yes

MOTION APPROVED

Grey made a motion seconded by Thiebaut to approve Ordinance 2026-9.

Votes were: Grey – yes
Smith – yes

Estep – yes
Thiebaut – yes

Tolles – yes
Donsbach – yes

MOTION APPROVED

Mayor stated Ordinance 2026-9 has passed.

Mayor stated we also have the Street Levy that needs to be sent into the Board of Elections by August 5th.

Smith made a motion seconded by Donsbach to suspend the readings to Resolution 2026-10: Village Of Grand Rapids Wood County, Ohio Resolution To Proceed With A Ballot Issue Submitting The Question Of A Tax Levy Renewal To The Voters Of The Village Of Grand Rapids, Ohio, And Declaring An Emergency.

Votes were: Estep – yes
Thiebaut – yes

Tolles – yes
Donsbach – yes

Smith – yes
Grey – yes

MOTION APPROVED

Donsbach made a motion seconded by Smith for passage of Resolution 2026-10.

Votes were: Tolles – yes
Donsbach – yes

Smith – yes
Grey – yes

Thiebaut – yes
Estep – yes

MOTION APPROVED

Mayor stated Resolution 2026-10 has passed.

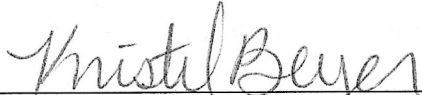
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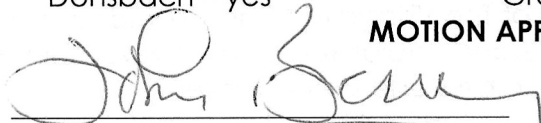
Donsbach made a motion seconded by Smith to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is July 27, 2026 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Hall.

Votes were: Estep – yes
Thiebaut – yes

Tolles - yes
Donsbach – yes

Smith – yes
Grey – yes

MOTION APPROVED

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.