

**VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY
MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 10, 2013**

A meeting of the Finance Committee of the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, A Michigan City was held on Wednesday, April 10, 2013 in the Council Chambers of the Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m, by Chairman Bisballe.

Present: Council Member Bruce Bisballe, Chair
Council Member Kay Felt
Council Member Robert Gesell

Excused: None

Also Present: City Manager Mark Wollenweber
Public Works Director, Brett Smith
Finance Officer, Rhonda Ricketts

All items pertinent to this meeting are either attached or placed on file.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MARCH 20, 2013

Motion by Council Member Felt, Seconded by Council Member Gesell, to approve the minutes from the March 20, 2013 Finance Committee Meeting. Unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Staff mentioned that the S-2 grant application was submitted to the state and that a new program with less strings may also be available. Staff will provide additional information as it becomes available.

Finance Officer, Rhonda Ricketts passed out revised budget information that included the changes suggested last time by the Finance Committee. The changes included are \$70,000 in costs to the Water and Sewer Fund and an additional \$4,500 increase to the pension fund. The Committee discussed presenting an optional millage increase to the Council and public to cover the costs of adding staff to the building after normal business hours. It was suggested that staff present to the Farms changes in the existing contract while all three cities look at moving to GP Woods who has already upgraded their dispatch area and is in the process of upgrading their prisoner storage area. It was suggested that staff be prepared to present a progress report to Council at the next meeting. Rhonda then went through the budget detail. DPW was asked to include the street tree trimming program in the current year as it is the intent to restore that program. She also pointed out that the projected 2013-14 budget does not include

making a contribution to the retiree health care fund. It was suggested for the public hearing that a summary letter be prepared citing the same level of services including tree trimming, the Honeywell program to address outdated building equipment and lighting as well as capital equipment. It was also stated that the next Monday meeting of the Finance Committee for all of Council would be for members to provide their input into the proposed budget.

NEW BUSINESS

The Manager and the DPW Director discussed the road repair bids that were opened last week and mentioned that they are not recommending to Council to proceed with both the alternate on Willow Tree and were going to hold in reserve if monies were available for the repair for Oxford in order to include replacement of all of the streetlights and the underground wiring.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

NEXT MEETING

The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled at 7:00 pm on Monday, April 15, 2013 to further discuss the proposed budget with all members of Council.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Mark Wollenweber
City Manager