# VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING April 10, 2012

A meeting of the Finance Committee of the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, A Michigan City was held on Tuesday April 10, 2012 in the Council Chambers of the Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Council Member Bisballe, Chair

Council Member Gesell Council Member Felt

Also Present: Interim City Manager Mark Wollenweber

Finance Officer Rhonda Ricketts
Public Works Director Brett Smith
Public Safety Director John Schulte

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

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MARCH 21, 2012

Motion by Council Member Gesell, Seconded by Council Member Felt, to approve the minutes from the March 21, 2012 Finance Committee Meeting. Unanimously Approved.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Proposals for legal services are to be opened on Friday, April 13, 2012.

Insurance proposals were opened today and will be summarized for the next Council meeting.

Proposals for engineering services have been sent out and there is a pre-meeting to answer any questions of potential vendors on April 25, 2012 with opening of the RFQ's on May 10, 2012 at 10:00am.

Under budget discussion the Finance Officer indicated the loss due to the property tax decline to be around \$450,000. Adjusting court fines as recommended by the Court Administrator would raise about \$40,000 and is recommended by the Committee. Some additional administrative costs to the Water Fund were also discussed along with using the savings from the insurance bids opened today. Due to the rebate it was thought that around \$50,000 would be available from the insurance bids. The Committee also suggested that the local share for the repaving of Lake Shore Road be charged to an increase in the operating millage for only the upcoming year. Staff was asked to contact the attorney about the HealthCare Trust Fund.

Staff was also asked to prepare a list of the largest water users.

The Committee reviewed requests from both DPW and Public Safety and hoped to be able to proceed with filling at least one Public Safety position currently held by an officer on

disability. Staff was asked to check the possible overtime savings by filling the budgeted position. It was hoped that year end numbers would be available for the next meeting and that funds not being used this fiscal year could be allocated to repairing the parking lot.

### NEW BUSINESS

Under new business it was mentioned that the Ambassador Committee is meeting on April 18, 2012 at 10:00am and that they hope to provide a listing of homes for sale at the Junior League Show House.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the audience commented on the dispatch services with Grosse Pointe Farms.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 19, 2012 at 6:00 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Mark Wollenweber Interim City Manager