

**VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY
MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
DECEMBER 9, 2014**

A meeting of the Finance Committee of the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, A Michigan City was held on Tuesday, December 9, 2014 in the Council Chambers of the Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am, by Chairman Bisballe.

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

Also Present: City Manager Mark Wollenweber
Finance Officer, Rhonda Ricketts
Brett Smith, Public Works Director
John Schulte, Public Safety Director
Tom Biehl, HRC
Nicole Selais, HRC
Chuck Ruifrok, Pension Board Member

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – NOVEMBER 11, 2014

Motion by Council Member Gesell, seconded by Council Member Felt to approve.
Passed 3-0

Item 5A, PROPOSED DWSD CONTRACT REVISIONS was moved up

Tom Biehl and Nicole Selais from Hubble Roth & Clark went over the three handouts concerning the contract revisions with Detroit. Tom mentioned that while we can no longer seek water service from Grosse Pointe Farms, we could still build storage or become a customer of Grosse Pointe Woods. The factors upon which DWSD bases our rates were negotiated to stay the same except for a reduction in the estimated annual volume which has been reduced from 20,000 mcf to 18,000 mcf and the Max Day factor stays the same at 1.43 and the Peak Hour factor also stays the same at 2.67. After a brief discussion, the Finance Committee concurred with the Engineers that the changes be recommended to City Council.

OLD BUSINESS

The Committee received copies of the Final Audit and indicated that besides the financial controls being in place, their positive comments for Finance Officer, Rhonda Ricketts and her great job on the budget.

The Committee reviewed the Pension history that was included in the packet that will be sent on to MERS. They also discussed combining pension investments under Azimuth Capital Management.

NEW BUSINESS

For the next meeting in January, it was suggested that staff look at some of the capital needs for the upcoming budget. Brett Smith mentioned the \$50,000 grant for utility vehicles he obtained. John Schulte gave an update on the camera project. Staff was asked to check the street lighting on Lake Shore Rd. south of Vernier Rd. Rhonda passed out a handout from Fund Balance on utility billing which should be installed soon.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, January 13, 2015 at 10:00 am.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:05 am.

Mark Wollenweber
City Manager