

Grosse Pointe Shores
Parks and Harbor Committee
Minutes
January 24, 2017

A Grosse Pointe Shores Parks and Harbor Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 in the Council Chambers of the Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Building, 795 Lake Shore Rd. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Barrette.

Roll Call

Present: Committee Members: Burnie Pemberton, Bruce Vollmer, Kathy Mermiges, Joe Cipriano, Doug Kucyk, John Seago, Tom Mellos, Bruce Kopf, Bob Barrette-Chairman

Absent: Frank Tenkel

Also Present: Tom Krolczyk, Harbor Master, Mark Wollenweber City Manager, John Schulte Public Safety Director, Robert Gesell Mayor Pro-Tem

All correspondence and reports relating to this meeting are either attached or placed on file.

Approval of Minutes

A motion by Vollmer and supported by Cipriano to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2016 Regular meeting; unanimously approved.

Old Business:

- Tennis Court Relocation –Barrette explained the bid process which will include re-construct in current location, re-construct in new location, re-construct in new location with additional parking and that the electrical would be bid separately. A booth would be purchased for gate staff. Kopf expressed his concerns that there were no bids yet for the north parking lot expansion at City Hall which was asked for by the Parks & Harbor Committee previously. Committee members supported his concerns. Kopf also stated that bids need to be brought to the Committee before any bids re awarded.
- Facility Use Policy-Barrette asked Commissioners to review the facility use policy. Kopf returned his recommended amendments, with mostly typos.

Barrette noted that residency changes were made to the Eastside Soccer Association, formerly known as Grosse Pointe Soccer Association.

Park & Harbor Rules- Commissioners Kopf and Barrette responded to Commissioner Seago's email concerns regarding boats extending into the fairway, non-resident availability and other harbor concerns. Commissioners also discussed the cost of water and electrical usage charged to boat owners. Mellos requested getting a price to install more electric meters. Kopf stated that currently 45 foot boats and larger are metered. Krolczyk stated that the water usage in the harbor for the summer season was approximately \$800 to \$1,000. Commissioners asked if it was possible to post any empty wells in the monthly newsletter, website and facebook page.

New Business:

- 2017 Well Rates- Krolczyk stated that GPF rates were increasing by 3% this year and every year after until their bond is paid off. Further discussion by Commissioners to increase rates for this year would be too late for this 2017 Season as the renewals are currently being mailed and didn't want the increase to be on the balance-end of the deposit. Krolczyk to get well pricing from the other Grosse Pointes prior to the next meeting. Well rates for 2018 will be looked at in November prior to renewals going out. Motion by Kopf to keep well rates the same for 2017 and increase them by 3% for 2018. Seconded by Mellos. Unanimous; Barrette abstained.
- Marina Decking Repairs-Krolczyk reported that decking repairs have stalled because of lack of ice in the harbor but are working with contractors to make the repairs off the docks this coming season.

Committee Member Comments: Mermiges stated that she needs to train a replacement to head up Swim Team Registration and activities for herself and Alissa McMann. She is reaching out to Commissioner and swim team parents but have not yet received any responses. Kopf suggested that the Mayor send letters to the swim team asking for volunteers and asked why we don't have a full-time Park Director as all the other Grosse Pointes do. Schulte expressed that a full-time Park Director is defiantly needed to handle the day to day responsibilities of the park.

Public Comment: None

Next Meeting Date

The next Parks and Harbor Committee regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. in the Grosse Pointe Shores Council Chambers, 795 Lake Shore Rd.

Adjournment

The Grosse Pointe Shores Parks and Harbor Committee meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m. on motion by Mellos and supported by Cipriano; unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tom Krolczyk
Harbor Master

