

**MINUTES OF THE  
MEETING OF THE GROSSE POINTE SHORES CITY COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2014 - 7:15 P.M.**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER** - A monthly meeting of the City Council of Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, A Michigan City was held on Tuesday, June 17, 2014 in the Council Chambers of the Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Building, 795 Lake Shore Road. The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Mayor Kedzierski.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. ROLL CALL** – Clerk Bruce Nichols

Present: Mayor Thaddeus Kedzierski, Council Members Alexander Ajlouni, M.D., Robert H. Barrette, Jr., Bruce Bisballe, Kay Felt, Robert E. Gesell

Absent: Daniel T. Schulte (Excused on motion of Gesell, support by Ajlouni, 6-0)

Also present: City Clerk Bruce R. Nichols  
City Manager Mark Wollenweber  
City Attorney Brian Renaud  
Public Safety Director John Schulte  
Finance Officer/Treasurer Rhonda Ricketts  
Public Works Director Brett Smith

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

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MAY 20, 2014 REGULAR MEETING**

On Motion of Council Member Gesell, seconded by Council Member Ajlouni, the minutes of the May 20, 2014 regular meeting were approved by unanimous vote. (6-0).

**5. APPROVAL OF AMENDED MINUTES OF THE APRIL 15, 2014 REGULAR MEETING**

On Motion of Council Member Felt, seconded by Council Member Barrette, the minutes of the April 15, 2014 regular meeting were approved by unanimous vote. (6-0).

**6. RECEIVE AND FILE VARIOUS COMMITTEE & COMMISSION MINUTES**

Motion by Council Member Gesell to accept and receive the minutes of various municipal committees was offered and seconded by Council Member Ajlouni. Discussion followed and the motion carried unanimously. (6-0)

**7. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Mr. Geraghty thanked Council for consideration regarding his previous request concerning the April 2014 minutes and then commented regarding an ethics ordinance.

**8. REPORTS BY CHAIRPERSONS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS**

**A. Budget and Finance** – Finance Officer/Treasurer Rhonda Ricketts

1. Approval of Bills - The monthly bills were presented by Finance Officer Ricketts, reviewed, discussed and unanimously approved for immediate payment on motion by Council Member Gesell seconded by Council Member Felt. (6-0)
2. Review Financial Statements - Finance Officer Ricketts presented the current financial statements, including balance sheet, with revenue and expenditures for review by Council.
3. Finance Committee - Chairman Bisballe reported the Finance Committee met on June 16, 2014 to review the final 2013 -2014 budget amendments which are expected to provide a \$164,000 surplus.
4. Final FY 2013-2014 Budget Amendments - Variances in the annual budget were reviewed and explained to Council to obtain the Final Amended Budget amounts. On recommendation of the City Finance Officer, concurred by the City Manager, Council Member Felt, supported by Council Member Gesell, moved that the Final 2013-2014 Budget Amendments be approved as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. (6-0).

**B. Public Safety – Chief John Schulte**

Chief Schulte reported the new bike rack installed at Oxford and Lake Shore Road was stolen. The concrete foundations for the remaining bike racks are being fortified. The Chief also recommended approval of the Medicare clarified billing procedure, which is required by federal law. The Grosse Pointe Shores Department of Public Safety is developing a Facebook page to provide public safety information to the community.

**C. Public Works – Director Brett Smith**

Director of Public Works Brett Smith reminded residents that lawn and garden irrigation should only occur from 11 PM to 4 AM. Seasonal grounds restoration is completed. The irrigation in Osius Park was rebuilt due to winter damage and is now operating. On June 10, 2014 the Honeywell Project acceptance letter was signed. An extensive list of work completed under the Honeywell Project was itemized by Mr. Smith for City Council. The baby pool liner was destroyed by the harsh winter and has been repaired by the Department of Public Works.

**D. Parks and Harbor**

Council Member Barrette reported excellent marina occupancy with only 11 open wells, with the harbor being cleaned regularly.

**E. Legal Report – City Attorney Brian Renaud reported performing the following legal services during the month: Review and advise regarding the Boundary Act, dispatch and lockup matters, review and comment on the Metro Act application, review and comments regarding the water permit fee application refund from the State of Michigan, the sale of the municipal automobile, a matter pertaining to the Grosse Pointe Clinton Refuse Authority, a review of the DWSD contract, an inquiry concerning PAATS/SOC, and the review of an ordinance for medical treatment regarding prisoners.**

**F. Manager's Report – City Manager Mark Wollenweber reported the fire damaged residence at 981 Lake Shore is in the final stages of negotiation for insurance settlement, and that repairs shall be**

underway soon. The structure at 41 Colonial Rd. continues to be problematic. The property at 984 Lake Shore is on hold because the pool house rooftop is out of code compliance. IT Computer Services has been engaged with substantial savings to the city. Mr. Wollenweber reported the State of Michigan required discharge permits which were not needed and he is making efforts to obtain over \$7,000 back from the State of Michigan for the ersatz permits. A sample of the ceramic municipal tile was shown to Council.

On recommendation of City Manager Wollenweber, a motion was made by Council Member Ajlouni, seconded by Council Member Felt, that the city waive any conflict of interest that city attorney Brian Renaud may have regarding advising the Grosse Pointe Clinton Refuse Authority, of which the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores is a member. Mr. Wollenweber was authorized to sign such waiver of conflict of interest. Motion passed unanimously (6-0)

- A. DAAA FY-2015 Annual Implementation Plan** - On motion of Council Member Ajlouni, seconded by Council Member Felt, and carried unanimously (6-0) the proposed 2015 Annual Implementation Plan of the Detroit Area Agency on Aging (DAAA) was reviewed and accepted by City Council. The City Manager was authorized to sign the approval form requested by the agency.

## **9. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Concession Stand Update** - Mr. Wollenweber indicated the municipal park concession stand was stalled due to an issue with the Wayne County Health Department for issuance of a food permit. National Coney Island has not yet signed the contract for the concession stand.
- B. Ambassador Committee Update** - Council Member Felt reported that a proof of the municipal book will be out soon. She also commented regarding the municipal tile shown to Council Members.

## **10. NEW BUSINESS –**

- A. Metro Act Permit** - After the City Attorney having reviewed the application, and finding it being within state guidelines, upon recommendation of both the City Attorney and the City Manager, on motion of Council Member Bisballe, supported by Council Member Gesell, and carried unanimously (6-0), a resolution approving Fiber Technology Networks Metro Act Permit application was approved unanimously.
- B. Cost Recovery Ordinance Amendment** - After discussion with the City Attorney and having reviewed the proposed ordinance, with recommendation by the Director of Public Safety, and finding it in the best interest of the city, on motion of Council Member Felt, supported by Council Member Ajlouni, and carried unanimously (6-0), a resolution amending to the Cost Recovery Ordinance pertaining to liability for incarcerated patients requiring medical attention at a hospital facility was approved.

## **11. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Dr. Rahi expressed pleasure and appreciation with the completion of the splash pad, and success with the balancing of the municipal budget.

Mr. Geraghty commented on an ethics ordinance and the process for adoption of same.

Helen Bai indicated 10 gardens are still available for adoption.

**12. COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS**

Council Member Ajlouni commented on the success of the splash pad project.

Council Member Felt comment on the beauty of the municipal gardens, the good work of the city attorney, the financial status of the city and all the hard efforts exerted by the committees and staff.

Council Member Bisballe commented on the beauty of the gardens planted in front of the newly restored horse trough.

Council Member Gesell commented and expressed appreciation for the recent enhancements and improvements made to the city.

**13. MAYOR'S COMMENTS** – Mayor Kedzierski commented on the passing of Rose Garland Thornton, a 21 year elected official of the city, and indicated a tree will be dedicated in her memory. The first swim meet of the season will be tomorrow. The Fun Committee is meeting next Friday and is open to new ideas. The Mayor commended the municipal staff for their efforts in getting the park ready for the season.

**14. NOTE DATES OF FUTURE CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS (Tues, 7/15/14 & 8/19/14 - 7:00pm)**

**15. ADJOURNMENT** - On motion of Council Member Gesell, seconded by Council Member Barrette, and carried unanimously,(6-0), the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Bruce R. Nichols  
City Clerk