

**CITY OF GRAND HAVEN
GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2010**

The Regular Meeting of the Grand Haven City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Roger A. Bergman in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

Present: Council Members Bob Monetza, Edward Nieuwenhuis, Dennis Scott, Mike Fritz, and Mayor Roger A. Bergman.

Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Patrick McGinnis, City Clerk Linda L. Niotis, City Attorney Ken Lane, Finance Director James Bonamy, Neighborhood Development Coordinator Char Ocasio-Seise, Management Intern Sam Janson, Community Affairs Manager Sandy Katt, Acting Public Works Director Julie Beaton, City Engineer Brian Vilmont, and Public Safety Sergeant Mike Ercole.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was given by Pastor Gary Reiss, Church of the Nazarene, Grand Haven, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance as led by Mayor Bergman.

PRESENTATION

A. Coast Guard Festival Board

Mayor Bergman presented a Foundation Award to the Coast Guard Festival Board.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDAS

10-011 Moved by Council Member **Fritz**, seconded by Council Member **Nieuwenhuis**, to adopt the Consent and Regular Agendas, as presented. This motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL BUSINESS/CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mayor Bergman made a call to the audience, allowing audience members to address Council on any issue.

Mr. David Rehm, 15360 Oak Point Drive, Spring Lake Township, introduced himself as a candidate for Ottawa County Circuit Court judge this year.

Mr. Joe Finnigan, 11 S. 1st Street, expressed his concern regarding the condition of the Chinook Pier Miniature Golf Course. He requested that repair and updating of the course be included in the remodeling of Chinook Pier.

CONSENT AGENDA

10-012 Moved by Council Member **Nieuwenhuis**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve special work session and regular meeting minutes of January 4, 2010. This motion carried unanimously.

10-013 Moved by Council Member **Nieuwenhuis**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve the bills for the period, totaling \$1,578,692.53. This motion carried unanimously. (Attachment A)

Council Member Fritz noted that the high total was due to tax distribution.

10-014 Moved by Council Member **Nieuwenhuis**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve the special event request from the Crime Victim Foundation to host the Katty Shack 5K and 1 Mile Walk/Run event on April 24, 2010 from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This motion carried unanimously.

Per Council request, City Manager McGinnis would research and report the City costs incurred for these events. An economic impact statement should be available by the next council meeting.

10-015 Moved by Council Member **Nieuwenhuis**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve Amendment #2 to the Home Purchase Rehab Grant to expand the service area to include Grant Street. This motion carried unanimously.

The current boundaries were Madison, Beacon Boulevard, Slayton Street, and Beechtree Street. The proposed expansion would move the southern boundary.

10-016 Moved by Council Member **Nieuwenhuis**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to accept the Michigan State Housing Development Authority Technical Assistance Grant and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents. This motion carried unanimously.

Neighborhood Development Coordinator Char Ocasio-Seise reported that this grant would enable her to acquire assistance in marketing the home purchase rehabilitation program. It had been difficult to get the word out that funds were available. Realtors and the banking industry needed to be better understand how the program worked. So far, the program had received about thirty applicants with one project completed and two more in process. Two more projects could be completed with this grant. Through this program, she was able to offer down payment assistance and rehabilitation funds.

10-017 Moved by Council Member **Nieuwenhuis**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to accept unclaimed found currency in the amount of \$90.70 and authorize this currency to be turned over to the City Treasurer for deposit into the General Fund in accordance with Section 28-12 of the Grand Haven Code of Ordinances. This motion carried unanimously.

10-018 Moved by Council Member **Nieuwenhuis**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve the Rotary International Proclamation proclaiming February 23, 2010, as Rotary Day in the City of Grand Haven. This motion carried unanimously. (Attachment B)

10-019 Moved by Council Member **Nieuwenhuis**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve the Organization Endowment Fund Agreement with the Grand Haven Area Community Foundation to receive and invest monies for the future maintenance of the Grand Haven Central Park Fountain and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute this agreement. This motion carried unanimously.

10-020 Moved by Council Member **Nieuwenhuis**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve the Community Service Fund Letter Agreement with the Grand Haven Community Foundation and the Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Grand Haven Central Park Fountain to facilitate fundraising for the restoration of the Central Park Fountain in 2010 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute this agreement. This motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Nieuwenhuis commented that he was proud to be part of the City and be able to see positive things happening such as special events such as the Katty Shack event which helped the City's tourism industry; a very active organization working on restoring the Central Park Fountain; and available housing assistance for local area residents.

NEW BUSINESS

10-021 Moved by Council Member **Monetza**, seconded by Council Member **Nieuwenhuis**, to approve special event request from the Chamber of Commerce/Grand Haven Arts Council to hold a Sunday Art Market in the Farmers Market parking lot from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. beginning June 6 – September 23, 2010. This motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Sean Sterzer, local artist and organizer, explained that this market was modeled after a very successful one in Grand Rapids on Fulton Street held for the past ten years. It was expected that there would be some anchor vendors and new vendors each week. This market would provide local artists a consistent, affordable venue and would enhance the area for other downtown businesses.

City Manager McGinnis anticipated that there would not be a parking issue since the market would be held on Sunday. The City had not received any complaints about not enough parking on Sundays and many of the shops in that area did not open until later in the day.

10-022 Moved by Council Member **Fritz**, seconded by Council Member **Nieuwenhuis**, to authorize the seeking of bids for the Chinook Pier Façade Renovation project and approve the list of qualified bidders recommended by the architect. This motion carried unanimously.

City Manager McGinnis noted that the City was able to receive a \$200,000 façade improvement grant. Plans should be ready to go out for bid on January 25 or 26. Due to the strict standards of this grant, a list of qualified bidders who were bonded and had experience with federal grants was necessary. The U.S. Housing and Urban Development grant required that the money provided would have to benefit a low to moderate income community. The work would have to be made available to local business owners and employees. One of the conditions in the bid documents was that local sub-contractors would be utilized.

10-023 Moved by Council Member **Nieuwenhuis**, seconded by Council Member **Scott**, to approve the Brownfield Redevelopment Grant Contract with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality to secure \$200,000 for the clean up and restoration of the property at 327 N. Beacon Boulevard and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the grant agreement. This motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS BY CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Fritz referred to an article published in the *Muskegon Chronicle* regarding Asian carp. The City needed to be involved since the waterfront was the mainstay and livelihood of the community. He asked people to write their Congressmen and the President and urge that the canals in Chicago be shut down to prevent these fish from entering the Great Lakes.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER

The Council Chambers had recently been re-painted and the lighting changed to new 7-watt fluorescent bulbs. Mayor's Exchange this year would be with Alpena. Alpena would be visiting

Grand Haven on May 12 and 13, 2010. Dates for the City to visit Alpena still needed to be confirmed.

REPORT BY CITY ATTORNEY

None

REPORT BY CITY ENGINEER

A. East Side Sewer

Scenarios had been revised and costs went down a little from the last report (in order of total costs):

- Original 2004 Costs - \$2,268,300
- Scenario 1 - \$2,947,600 (2004 Study plus the relining of remaining sewers)
- Scenario 4 - \$4,469,600 (2004 Study plus lower and reroute Griffin, lower pump station, and reline remaining sewers)
- Scenario 2 - \$6,015,750 (2004 Study plus lower and reroute Griffin and rebuild remaining sewers)
- Scenario 3 - \$6,616,538 (2004 Study plus lower and reroute Griffin, lower pump station, and rebuild remaining sewers)

The project area included Woodlawn and side streets sewers that drained into Griffin. The cost of relining sewers gained significant life increase with less cost than rebuilding the lines.

GENERAL BUSINESS/CALL TO AUDIENCE


Mayor Bergman made a call to the audience, allowing audience members to address Council on any issue. There was no response.

ADJOURNMENT

After hearing no further business, Mayor Bergman adjourned the meeting at 8:24 p.m.



Roger A. Bergman, Mayor

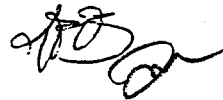


Linda L. Niotis, City Clerk

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Attachment A

To: Patrick McGinnis, City Manager
 From: James Bonamy, Finance Director
 Date: January 14, 2010
 RE: Bills From Payables Warrant



FUND	01/07/10 WARRANT	01/14/10 WARRANT	VOIDS	TOTALS
General Fund	\$49,314.16	\$21,958.48	\$0.00	\$71,272.64
Major Street Fund	\$4,033.03	\$6,898.27	\$0.00	\$10,929.30
Local Street Fund	\$0.00	\$6,327.77	\$0.00	\$6,327.77
Land Acquisition Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Main St Dist Dev	\$352.00	\$5,890.05	\$0.00	\$6,242.05
Econ. Dev. Corp. Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Brownfield Redevelopment Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Hokins Boat Storage TIF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Downtown TIF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
GLTIF Spec Rev Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
UTGO Inf Spec Rev Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Housing Fund	\$0.00	\$987.07	\$0.00	\$987.07
Assessment Bond Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Operating Debt Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Brownfield TIF Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Downtown TIF Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
GLTIF Debt Serv Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
UTGO Inf Debt Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Building Auth Debt Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Public Improvements Fund	\$0.00	\$4,200.80	\$0.00	\$4,200.80
Fire Truck Replacement Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Brownfield TIF Const	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Downtown TIF Const	\$0.00	\$47,364.15	\$0.00	\$47,364.15
G/L TIF Construction Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
UTGO Inf Construction Fund	\$0.00	\$18,087.00	\$0.00	\$18,087.00
Building Auth. Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Airpark Fund	\$2,456.10	\$598.75	\$0.00	\$3,054.85
Chinook Pier Rental Fund	\$0.00	\$5,916.75	\$0.00	\$5,916.75
Harbor Transit Fund	\$11,547.71	\$28,639.31	\$0.00	\$40,187.02
City Sewer Fund	\$1,915.13	\$2,882.17	\$0.00	\$4,797.30
City Water Fund	\$4,486.43	\$371.86	\$77.06	\$4,781.23
City Marina Fund	\$1,626.95	\$108.49	\$0.00	\$1,735.44
Motorpool Fund	\$748.00	\$64,970.52	\$0.00	\$65,718.52
Self Insurance Fund	\$0.00	\$462.81	\$0.00	\$462.81
Health Benefit Fund	\$0.00	\$5,212.61	\$0.00	\$5,212.61
Trust & Agency Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tax Collection Fund	\$51,403.67	\$1,023,196.70	\$0.00	\$1,074,600.37
Cemetery Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Retirement Health Fund	\$30,464.44	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$30,464.44
Payroll Fund	\$0.00	\$103,524.66	\$0.00	\$103,524.66
Sewer Authority Operations	\$32,649.33	\$11,420.30	\$0.00	\$44,069.63
Sewer Authority Debt A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
S. Auth. Plant Modification	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
S. Auth Eagle Ottawa	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
N.O. Water Plant Fund	\$13,726.18	\$5,511.04	\$0.00	\$19,237.22
Water Plant Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Water Replacement	\$0.00	\$9,518.90	\$0.00	\$9,518.90
	\$204,723.13	\$1,374,046.46	\$77.06	\$1,578,692.53

Tonight, City Council will be approving, subject to audit, bills for this period, totaling as follows:

\$1,578,692.53 Total Approved Bills
 \$1,214,264.89 Minus eligible bills for release without prior approval: Payroll,
 Retirement, Insurance, Health Benefit, and Tax Collection Funds
 \$364,427.64 Net Bills

Attachment B

City of Grand Haven
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PROCLAMATION
"ROTARY DAY IN GRAND HAVEN"
FEBRUARY 23, 2010

WHEREAS, Rotary International, founded on February 23, 1905 in Chicago, Illinois USA, is the world's first and one of the largest non-profit service organizations; and

WHEREAS, there are over 1.2 million Rotary club members comprised of professional and business leaders in over 33,000 clubs in 200 countries and geographic areas; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary motto "Service Above Self" inspires members to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards, and promote good will and peace in the world; and

WHEREAS, Rotary funds club projects and sponsors volunteers with community expertise to provide medical supplies, health care, clean water, food production, job training, and education to millions in need, particularly in developing countries; and

WHEREAS, Rotary in 1985 launched PolioPlus and spearheaded efforts with the World Health Organization, U.S Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and UNICEF to immunize the children of the world against polio; and

WHEREAS, polio cases have dropped by 99 percent since 1988 and the world stands on the threshold of eradicating the disease; and

WHEREAS, to date, Rotary has contributed nearly \$850 million and countless volunteer hours to the protection of more than two billion children in 122 countries; and

WHEREAS, Rotary has raised \$100 million towards a \$200 million challenge grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for a total \$355 million; and

WHEREAS, these efforts are providing much needed operational support, medical personnel, laboratory equipment and educational materials for health workers and parents; and

WHEREAS, in addition, Rotary has played a major role in decisions by donor governments to contribute over \$4 billion to the effort; and

WHEREAS, Rotary is the world's largest privately-funded source of international scholarships and promotes international understanding through scholarships, exchange programs and humanitarian grants; and

WHEREAS, about 40,000 students from 130 countries have studied abroad since 1947 as Rotary Ambassadorial Scholars; and

WHEREAS, Rotary's Group Study Exchange program has helped more than 67,000 young professionals explore their career fields in other countries; and

WHEREAS, 7,000 secondary-school students each year experience life in another country through Rotary's Youth Exchange program; and

WHEREAS, there are over 265 clubs throughout Michigan sponsoring service projects to address such critical issues as poverty, health, hunger, illiteracy, and the environment in their local communities, and abroad.

Therefore, I, Roger A. Bergman, Mayor of the City of Grand Haven, do hereby proclaim February 23, 2010 as Rotary Day in Grand Haven, and encourage all citizens to join me in recognizing Rotary International for its more than 105 years of service to improving the human condition in local communities around the world.




Roger A. Bergman, Mayor