

COUNCIL MEETING – APRIL 11, 2016

7:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the City of Grosse Pointe Park was held on Monday, April 11, 2016, and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The following were present: Councilmembers Arora, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, Grano, and Mayor Denner.

Also present: Dale Krajniak, City Manager, Stephen Poloni, Director of Public Safety, Dennis Levasseur, City Attorney, and Holly Piche, Secretary.

Excused Absences: Councilmember Clark and Jane M. Blahut, Finance Director/Clerk.

MINUTES – MARCH 14, 2016

Mayor Denner presented to Council for consideration the minutes of the March 14, 2016 meeting for approval as presented.

Motion by Councilmember Arora, supported by Councilmember Robson, to approve the March 14, 2016 minutes, for approval as presented.

AYES: Councilmembers Arora, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, Grano, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

Excused absence: Councilmember Clark

COMMITTEE RE-APPOINTMENT

Mayor Denner presented to Council for consideration the re-appointment of James Odell and Patrick Mann to the Tax Increment Finance Authority (T.I.F.A.) for a four year term. He noted both Mr. Odell and Mr. Mann have been on the T.I.F.A. for several years and recommended their re-appointment.

Councilmember Arora inquired how residents could obtain applications to the various committees' and if the term expirations were posted any place.

City Manager stated applications are available on the website along with the commission's term information.

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Robson, to re-appoint James Odell and Patrick Mann to the T.I.F.A. for a four year term.

AYES: Councilmembers Arora, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, Grano, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

Excused Absence: Councilmember Clark

PUBLIC SAFETY ANNUAL REPORT & COMMENDATIONS

Director Poloni presented several officers with department awards for actions during 2015. Department Commendations were given to: Lieutenant Edward Arnold, Sergeant Anthony Blain, PSO Michael Miller, and PSO Aristides Reyes for their outstanding services in a specific task and/or for the performance of general duties during 2015.

Director Poloni also recognized Mr. Russell Stringfellow and another resident who wished to remain anonymous with the Civilian Award – Certificate of Appreciation for their contributions to the Public Safety Department.

Mayor Denner congratulated the officers on their awards.

Director Poloni then presented the 2015 Annual Report which reflects an overall 12% reduction in crime from the prior year. He also recognized the Retirement of Director Hiller and his years of service. He also credited the work of the Department as a reflection of the positive report.

Mayor Denner commended the department for the overall safety of our community.

Councilmember Grano congratulated Director Poloni on the annual report and expressed gratitude to have the department awards given in the Council Chambers as it is important as a Council to recognize them.

Councilmember Robson also congratulated Director Poloni on being able to recognize the officers in a public forum and also noted auto theft had a 50% decrease from last year and he should be commended.

Councilmember Arora thanked the department for keeping our city safe for people to enjoy.

Director Poloni also informed Mayor and Members of Council of the placement of a drop off box for expired drugs/needles in the link at City Hall.

Councilmember Robson requested the information be placed on the city website as well as the Facebook page.

Director Poloni stated he would do the same.

2016 SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Mayor Denner presented a brief overview of the sidewalk replacement program.

City Manager presented bids received for consideration as the following:

	<u>4 Inch Concrete</u>	<u>6 Inch Concrete</u>
Major Cement	\$6.85/sq. ft.	\$7.85/sq. ft.
Cipparrone	\$6.95/sq. ft.	\$7.95/sq. ft.
Phil Pitters, Inc.	\$5.99/sq. ft	\$6.99/sq. ft.

City Manager recommended the low bid by Phil Pitters, Inc. He stated sidewalks are marked for replacement; owners are then notified and have the option to use the contractor but are not required to do so.

Councilmember Arora inquired how long owners have to respond to our notification before the City would have the contractor do the work.

City Manager stated they have approximately 60 days to decide if they want the contractor to handle the replacement or they would like to have the work done by another contractor.

Mr. Olds inquired if it was possible to have the contract or do additional work for owners such as driveways and approaches as has been done in the past as several areas are in need of repairs.

City Manager indicated that is at the option of each homeowner.

Councilmember Grano encouraged the program area be increased as the City has several areas where the sidewalks are in bad shape.

Councilmember Robson inquired when the program would start.

City Manager stated program would start right away.

Councilmember Chouinard inquired if the cost included curb work and what type of oversight or inspection of the work being done.

City Manager stated Pat Thomas, Supervisor of Public Works inspects and oversees the work being done.

Motion by Councilmember Grano, supported by Councilmember Arora, to award the bid for the 2016 sidewalk replacement program to the low bidder Phil Pitters, Inc.

AYES: Councilmembers Arora, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, Grano, and Mayor Denner.

NAYS: None

Excused Absence: Councilmember Clark

POOL MARCITING

Mayor Denner presented to Council for consideration bids received for marciting of the pool at Windmill Pointe Park.

City Manager stated the Windmill Pointe Pool should be re-marcedited every 7 years and the last job was done 8 years ago. He also stated only a limited number of companies in Michigan are qualified to do this type of work. Bids were received from two of the three companies solicited and were as follows:

Son Seeker	\$105,596
Clearwater Pools	70,000 (includes pool opening)

City Manager stated city has used Clearwater Pools in the past and, as the City will be hosting the swim team finals this year, it would be better to have the work done prior to that event. He also noted shallow end of the pool would be done in the Spring and the deep end would then be done in the Fall. It was recommended the bid be awarded to the low bidder Clearwater Pools in the amount of \$70,000.

City Manager noted the cost to the budget for this Fiscal Year would be \$39,000 and the remaining \$31,000 would come out of next year's Fiscal Year budget.

Motion by Councilmember Detwiler, supported by Councilmember Arora, to award the bid for the pool marcediting at Windmill Pointe Pool to, Clearwater Pools, in the amount of \$70,000, \$39,000 from this year's budget and \$31,000 from next year's budget.

AYES: Councilmembers Arora, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, Grano, and Mayor Denner.

NAYS: None.

Excused Absence: Councilmember Clark.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Denner stated that there had not been any committee meetings and therefore nothing to update at this time.

FINANCE REPORT

Councilmember for Finance Detwiler presented to Mayor and Council for consideration the invoices exceeding \$5,000 for the month of March, 2016, for approval as presented.

March 2016 Invoices over \$5,000 for Review & Acceptance

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Payment</u>
Rizzo Service	February refuse service	\$25,139
Rizzo Service	February recycling	\$11,298
PMI Inspections	February Inspections	\$13,445

Bodman, PLC	Legal and prosecuting attorney fees	\$13,437
Great Lakes Water Authority	Waste water-January & February	\$248,800
Great Lakes Water Authority	Water service for January	\$95,447
Grosse Pointe Clinton Refuse	December & January 2016 refuse disposal	\$15,991
Four Seasons Roofing	Partial replacement roof @ Tompkins Center	\$12,000
Park Foundation	City's share-Theatre	\$255,651

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Chouinard, to approve the Finance Report and invoices exceeding \$5,000, for approval as presented in accordance with Section 2.249 of the charter.

AYES: Councilmembers Arora, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, Grano, and Mayor Denner

NAYS: None

Excused Absence: Councilmember Clark

CLOSED DOOR SESSION

Mayor Denner requested that a closed door session be held immediately following the regular meeting to discuss litigation and contracts.

Motion by Mayor Denner, supported by Councilmember Grano, that a closed door session be held immediately following the regular meeting to discuss litigation and contracts.

AYES: Councilmembers Arora, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, Grano, and Mayor Denner.

NAYS: None.

Excused Absence: Councilmember Clark

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

MARYLAND/LAKEPOINTE LOTS:

Mr. Clayton Guensch, Jr. presented to Mayor and Council a revised proposal for the sale of approximately 1.5 acres of land for consideration.

City Manager stated would refer the proposal to the Real Estate Development Committee for review.

LEAD WATER LINES

Councilmember Grano stated that he has been speaking with several residents on Nottingham who are concerned with the lead water lines going into their homes and would like to replace them at their own cost. He stated the matter be referred to the Public Service Commission for further review and discussion and report back to Council at that time.

With no further business, the meeting recessed to closed door session.

The meeting reconvened to open door session.

LITIGATION & CONTRACTS

Motion by Councilmember Grano, supported by councilmember Chouinard, to proceed with actions as directed in closed door session regarding litigation and contract.

AYES: Councilmembers Arora, Chouinard, Robson, Detwiler, Grano, and Mayor Denner.

NAYS: None

Excused Absence: Councilmember Clark

With no further business, meeting adjourned.