

**VILLAGE OF GRAND BEACH
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 16, 2005**

President Jim Bracewell called the regular scheduled meeting of the Grand Beach Village Council to order at 7:30 PM EST. Present in addition to Bracewell were Pete Carroll, Debbie Lindley, John Boden Jr. and Bob Grim.

J. Boden/D. Lindley moved to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of February 16, 2005. Passed 4-0 with P. Carroll, D. Lindley, J. Bracewell and J. Boden voting in favor and B. Grim abstaining as he was not in attendance on February 16th.

P. Carroll/J. Boden moved to approve the minutes of the ZBA-Trainor Hearing of February 16, 2005. Passed 4-0 with P. Carroll, D. Lindley, J. Bracewell and J. Boden voting in favor and B. Grim abstaining as he was not in attendance on February 16th.

Committee reports:

Building: J. Boden reported that village attorney Lou Desenberg would like to make all changes to the zoning ordinance at one time, rather than piece by piece. B. Owens added that he will present the council with a written list of proposed changes prior to the April meeting. J. Bracewell added that he had received numerous calls concerning a fence to be located around a swimming pool on Lakeview Avenue. Residents are concerned that the location of the 6' high fence may block their view of the sunset.

Pro-Shop & Golf Course: J. Bracewell reported that we continue to have problems with the 70 year old water system that is used to water the golf course. There are problems with the electricity and rusting pipes in the pump house. He thanked John Boden for his help in interviewing candidates for the pro-shop manager and employee positions. They have chosen Bill Dohner as the replacement for the pro-shop manager.

Police, Water, Streets, Parks and Beaches: Nothing to report.

J. Bracewell welcomed council member B. Grim back after being gone due to health problems. B. Grim thanked everyone for their support and said that he is happy to be back.

Clay Putnam of ServiScape reported that they are in the process of receiving bids for the replacement of a valve and electrical work in the pump house. They have added a back-up sump pump to the pump house, as the sump pump that is currently in use has failed several times over the last couple of weeks. He reported that he would have three employees working on the golf course beginning Monday.

The village superintendent, police chief and building inspector had nothing to add to their written reports.

A motion by B. Grim/J. Boden was approved unanimously 5-0 to approve a request for a payment to Pagel & Frey in the amount of \$32,374.00.

Bills to be paid with written additions were approved unanimously 5-0 on a motion by J. Boden/D. Lindley.

J. Boden/J. Bracewell moved to approve Pagel & Frey change order #11 in the amount of \$156.00 for removal of light ballasts. Approved unanimously 5-0.

J. Bracewell/P. Carroll moved to accept a transfer of funds in the capital projects fund to pay for the hall renovation as presented by the treasurer. Approved unanimously 5-0. The funds to be transferred were funds that were left in accounts after purchases were made. The total amount of \$21,898.72 was transferred to the hall renovation fund to help to pay for the renovation.

J. Bracewell/J. Boden moved to approve the purchase of a boat, motor and trailer in the amount of \$1500.00. Approved unanimously 5-0.

J. Bracewell/J. Boden moved to transfer \$700 from the general fund to the capital projects fund as budgeted for 04/05 for the purchase of the boat. Approved unanimously 5-0.

J. Bracewell/J. Boden moved to hire Bill Dohner as the new pro-shop manager to replace Bob Jackson who has resigned. Unanimous 5-0.

J. Bracewell/J. Boden moved to accept the amended golf budget for 04/05 as presented. Approved unanimously 5-0.

J. Bracewell stated that there is a new green fees schedule. The changes will make it less expensive for residents to play golf than non-residents. There will now be a golf punch card in place of the golf book that was previously used. The card will include a free round of golf after 10 punches. Also included would be a \$20.00 weekly golf cart registration fee for people who rent their cart for a week. He also said there will be four rental carts available this season for golfers to rent daily.

J. Bracewell/J. Boden moved to approve the green fees schedule and temporary golf cart stickers at \$20.00 per week as presented. Approved unanimously 5-0.

The council discussed the need to paint the posts that are along the roads again this year. They were painted two years ago and this was basically a primer coat. The posts might need to be painted every other year with an estimated cost of \$1000 for the paint plus the cost of labor.

J. Bracewell/J. Boden moved for approval for Pete Carroll to attend a Michigan Municipal League meeting at a cost of \$45.00 plus travel expenses. Approved unanimously 5-0.

B. Grim/J. Boden moved to approve the request for Family Fest to be held on Saturday, July 2nd. Approved unanimously 5-0. This approval will allow for a parade, participation of a village police car in the parade, the use of electricity, pony rides and the use of the village grounds.

The council received an invitation to a Village Association meeting, but decided that they are not interested in attending the meeting.

The council received a letter from the Michigan Historic Preservation Network requesting a meeting with the council or village residents to discuss historic preservation.

J. Boden said that he would be glad to meet with a woman from the group for a tour of the village. J. Bracewell directed the clerk to forward this letter to the social club president, as he felt that the residents might be interested in this.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. EST.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary J. Robertson
Clerk/Treasurer