

**VILLAGE OF GRAND BEACH
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING (HELD ELECTRONICALLY)
NOVEMBER 18, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER

Village Clerk-Treasurer Mary Robertson called the electronic (virtual) regular council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. EST.

Robertson read the following information regarding the remote meeting:

This meeting is being held remotely due to the COVID-19 pandemic under Senate Bill 1108 which was recently passed. All Council members should identify themselves prior to speaking so that everyone is aware of who is speaking. The President of the Council will read all of the agenda items as we go along for those that can't see the agenda.

There will be two times when the public can speak.

- The first time will be during "comments on agenda items".
- The second time is "audience recognition" where you can speak about any concerns.
- All audience members will be muted until it is time for them to speak.
- Please identify yourself before speaking.

ROLL CALL – IN ATTENDANCE

James Bracewell – Arrived to the meeting at 7:36 PM EST. Attending remotely from Grand Beach, Michigan

Paul Leonard – Attending remotely from Grand Beach, Michigan

Deborah Lindley – Attending remotely from Parker, Colorado

Blake O'Halloran - Attending remotely from Grand Beach, Michigan

Steve Slater - Attending remotely from Chandler, Arizona

ADOPT AGENDA

Slater moved, seconded by Leonard to adopt the November 18, 2020 agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Paul Leonard	Aye
Deborah Lindley	Aye
Blake O'Halloran	Aye
Steve Slater	Aye
James Bracewell	Not in attendance for this roll call vote.

Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS

Robertson announced that the Certification of Election Results has been received from the Board of Canvassers showing the following results:

Village Council Member Four-Year Term (2 winners)

James Bracewell	107
Blake O'Halloran	149
Harry Walder	105

Robertson congratulated Bracewell and O'Halloran for being reelected to the Council.

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ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve Village Council Minutes:
 - Regular Council Meeting, September 16, 2020
 - Regular Council Meeting, October 21, 2020
- b. Pay Bills with Written Additions

Leonard moved, seconded by Lindley to adopt the consent agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Deborah Lindley	Aye
Blake O'Halloran	Aye
Steve Slater	Aye
James Bracewell	Aye
Paul Leonard	Aye

Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITION

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

a. President of Council

Bracewell moved, seconded by Leonard to nominate Lindley as president. With no other nominations, Deborah Lindley was named president unanimously by a roll call vote.

Roll Call Vote

Blake O'Halloran	Aye
Steve Slater	Aye
James Bracewell	Aye
Paul Leonard	Aye
Deborah Lindley	Aye

b. President Pro Tem

Bracewell moved, seconded by Slater to nominate O'Halloran as president pro tem. With no other nominations, Blake O'Halloran was named president pro tem unanimously by a roll call vote.

Roll Call Vote

Steve Slater	Aye
James Bracewell	Aye
Paul Leonard	Aye

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Deborah Lindley Aye
Blake O'Halloran Aye

Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS

Lindley moved, seconded by O'Halloran to appoint the following officials:

Mary Robertson – Clerk-Treasurer
James Bracewell - Building & Zoning Commissioner
Steve Slater - Parks Commissioner and Beach Commissioner
Paul Leonard - Street Commissioner and Water Commissioner
Debbie Lindley - Police Commissioner
Blake O'Halloran - Golf and Pro Shop Commissioner

Roll Call Vote

James Bracewell Aye
Paul Leonard Aye
Deborah Lindley Aye
Blake O'Halloran Aye
Steve Slater Aye

Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

COMMISSION REPORTS

PARKS & BEACHES: Slater said the Village is working on a drainage project in Fifteen Acres and owns two parcels of land designated as park areas on Anna Livia Way. He received a petition from a resident suggesting putting a gazebo, benches and landscaping in the park area. He doesn't know what the results were from the petition, and is waiting to hear from the resident. He said we'll give it some thought and see if the parcels are dry in the spring.

STREETS & WATER: Leonard said that contractors doing revetment work in the Eiffel Towers area continue to damage Lake Park and Robin Lane, and he continues to monitor it. He said that there was damage done recently by a piece of equipment that uses tracks rather than tires. He said Superintendent Bob Dabbs and maybe Police Chief Ryan Layman will have to talk to the contractor about road repairs.

Leonard told Council members that he has prepared a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) which was sent out to Council members earlier in regards to water lines located on private property on Ely Avenue. He would like to discuss the MOU at the December meeting. Attorney Sara Bell will review the document before it is presented to the property owner.

POLICE: Lindley said that if anyone is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms and need emergency help, they should call 9-1-1 and our police officer will direct the ambulance to their location for medical assistance. She said we recently had an officer who came into contact with a homeowner with COVID-19, and then had to quarantine for 14 days. She said the Village has limited officers, so we need them to remain healthy so that they are available to protect the Village.

PRO SHOP & GOLF COURSE: O'Halloran said that with the COVID pandemic, golf play across the country has increased.

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He said Grand Beach had the best year ever with an increase of more than 4,000 rounds compared to 2019 which was a good year. He expects more people to play golf in the future as new golfers became interested in the game during the pandemic.

SERVISCAPE REPORT

Clay Putnam said that the fairways have been aerified, and they are finishing up leaf clean-up. They repaired four irrigation leaks over the last month. They came in almost \$29,500 under budget for the year, less fuel use for October.

PERSONNEL REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT: In addition to his written report, Superintendent Bob Dabbs said that they continue to pick up leaves. He said the drainage project is about a week behind schedule due to COVID issues with the contractor’s help. He said he is always in contact with contractors doing the revetment work and continuously reminds them that they will have to pay for repair to the streets that they have damaged.

POLICE CHIEF: In addition to his written report, Police Chief Ryan Layman said they had 49 complaints in October and November is shaping up to be an even busier month. He has been working with Lexipol on the policy and procedures and was surprised to find out just how involved it is. Lexipol told him it normally takes about six months to get everything completed and ready for use.

BUILDING INSPECTOR: Building Inspector Bill Lambert was not in attendance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

ADDITIONAL APPRAISAL - 42 ACRES

Lindley explained the procedure regarding the appraisals for the 42 Acres and grant award, stating that she has been working with the state to increase the approved grant award of \$1,200,000. She recently sent them a comparable sale of a parcel which is a little over an acre on Marquette Drive that sold for \$1,250,000. She said comparable sales can help increase the grant award if the state agrees to it.

The Council discussed the four appraisals that have been done ranging in value from \$1,250,000 to an appraisal that the seller had done that appraised at \$3,200,000. After much discussion, it was decided that the Council didn’t feel a need to spend any more money on additional appraisals. Lindley said she will contact Sid Mathias of Grand Beach Land Development to let him know that if they want to pay for an additional survey and can find additional comparable properties, they can do so, but the Village is not willing to pay for any part of the survey.

RESOLUTION TO OPT OUT OF PA 152 OF 2011

Lindley moved, seconded by Bracewell to adopt resolution #2020-07 to opt out of PA 152 of 2011.

Roll Call Vote

Deborah Lindley	Aye
Blake O’Halloran	Aye
Steve Slater	Aye
James Bracewell	Aye
Paul Leonard	Aye

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Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

ANNUAL SALARY ADJUSTMENTS

O’Halloran said that based on the golf season that we had and the fact that pro shop employees went out of their way to make sure we didn’t have any incidences with COVID-19, he would like to recognize them with an end of year salary adjustment. Lindley moved, seconded by O’Halloran to approve the annual salary adjustments as presented for all employees.

Roll Call Vote

Blake O’Halloran	Aye
Steve Slater	Aye
James Bracewell	Aye
Paul Leonard	Aye
Deborah Lindley	Aye

Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE – LAID-OFF AND DISABILITY

Lindley explained that with the new health insurance provider, the Council needs to decide how long the Village will cover health insurance costs for employees that are laid off or disabled in the future. She said it is important to be consistent.

Slater moved, seconded by O’Halloran to continue to pay employee’s health insurance costs for 90 days if they are laid off or on disability.

Roll Call Vote

Steve Slater	Aye
James Bracewell	Aye
Paul Leonard	Aye
Deborah Lindley	Aye
Blake O’Halloran	Aye

Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

2021 MEETING SCHEDULE

Lindley moved, seconded by Leonard to approve the 2021 meeting schedule as presented with meetings being held on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. EST.

Roll Call Vote

James Bracewell	Aye
Paul Leonard	Aye
Deborah Lindley	Aye
Blake O’Halloran	Aye
Steve Slater	Aye

Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

REVISED COVID-19 PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE PLAN

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Lindley said that Village Clerk-Treasurer Mary Robertson has updated the COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan. She said things are changing daily and weekly and all we can do is remain compliant with OSHA and the state. She said the old plan required two negative test results in order to return to work, and the state has changed this and no longer requires negative tests.

The plan requires the Council to determine the job risk exposure for the different departments. The following risk exposure was determined:

- Higher risk – Law enforcement
- Medium risk – Golf and Pro Shop employees
- Lower Risk – Office and Maintenance employees

Lindley moved, seconded by Leonard to accept the changes and approve the COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan.

Roll Call Vote

Paul Leonard	Aye
Deborah Lindley	Aye
Blake O’Halloran	Aye
Steve Slater	Aye
James Bracewell	Aye

Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

AUDIENCE RECOGNITION

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ADJOURNMENT

Lindley moved, seconded by O’Halloran to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call Vote

James Bracewell	Aye
Paul Leonard	Aye
Deborah Lindley	Aye
Blake O’Halloran	Aye
Steve Slater	Aye

Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. EST.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary J. Robertson
Clerk-Treasurer