

**VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY  
MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021**

A meeting of the Finance Committee of the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, A Michigan City was held on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 virtually via ZOOM. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am, by Chairman Sandra Cavataio.

Present: Chairman Sandra Cavataio  
Council Member Barrette  
Committee Member Chuck Ruifrok

Absent: Council Member Kucyk

Also Present: City Manager, Steve Poloni  
Assistant City Manager, Tom Krolczyk  
DPW Mike Way, DPS Ken Werenski

All items pertinent to this meeting are either attached or placed on file.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – FEBRUARY 9, 2021

Motion by Council Member Barrette to approve, seconded by Ruifrok, passed unanimously.

ITEM 4 OLD BUSINESS:

ITEM 5 NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **City Manager General Finance Overview**- Poloni discussed the Finance Officer position and will be making a final determination shortly. He also stated it may require training from The Woodhill Group and is looking to fill the position long-term. A \$70,000 salary to start until training is completed. \$140,000 is currently budgeted. The Woodhill Group will overlook all software to make sure it is utilized to its fullest extent. Poloni stated that Rhonda Ricketts did a great job during her tenure at Grosse Pointe Shores. Cavataio stated that she will be meeting with Gehlert to discuss a fundraiser for purchasing a firetruck. Poloni stated that Grosse Pointe Park leased their firetruck at \$70,000 a year and the Public Safety mil rate was increased to pay it off. Poloni stated that there is a need for a Capital Improvement Fund for future purchases. Poloni went over budget numbers with committee members stating expenditures are down as much as 61/2 percent and

legal fees were up 40 percent. He also gave an equipment overview for replacements of the firetruck, garbage truck and others. Approximately 1 million dollars under a master lease agreement. Way stated the current street sweeper is held together currently with old street signs and should be considered to be replaced as well. Werenski stated that his police cars on three-year rotations for replacement. Ruifrok stated that there are very good fixed interest rates right now. Poloni responded yes on a an 8 to 10 year lease with a AAA Bond Rating will help also.

#### ITEM 6 OTHER

#### ITEM 7 PUBLIC COMMENT

#### ITEM 8 NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Finance Meeting date is scheduled for Tuesday, April 13, 2021, 10:00 a.m. via ZOOM.

Adjournment: Motion by Cavataio, seconded by Barrette, adjourned at 10:55 am.

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Tom Krolczyk  
Assistant City Manager