

**CITY OF GRAND HAVEN  
GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2022**

The Regular Meeting of the Grand Haven City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Catherine M. McNally in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 519 Washington Ave.

**Present:** Council Members Karen Lowe, Kevin McLaughlin, Mike Fritz, Mayor Pro-Tem Cummins and Mayor Catherine McNally.

**Absent:** None.

**Others Present:** Interim City Manager Ashley Latsch, Executive Assistant Mary Angel, City Attorney Ronald Bultje, Community Affairs Manager Char Seise, Public Works Director Derek Gajdos, Streets & Utilities Manager Matt Wade, Main Street DDA Director Jeremy Swiftney, and Public Safety Officer Andy Cannon.

**INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

In place of an invocation, Mayor McNally read the poem, "Dust of Snow" by Robert Frost and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance as led by Mayor McNally.

**APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**

**22-246** Moved by Council Member **Fritz**, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem **Cummins**, to appoint Ray Wiersema to the Harbor Board for a term ending June 30, 2027. This motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Council Member Fritz, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Cummins, to appoint Lynn Negen to the Main Street DDA for a term expiring June 30, 2026 and Ivy DeWitt to the Musical Fountain Committee for term expiring June 30, 2026.

After some discussion among all council members and concerns by Council Members McLaughlin, Cummins, and Lowe regarding the vacancy that Lynn Negen would be filling and the support for reappointment of Todd Anthes to the Main Street DDA, the following motion was made to separate the motion into two.

**22-247** Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem **Cummins**, seconded by Council Member **Lowe**, to separate the motion of nominees into two: 1.) appoint Lynn Negen to the Main Street DDA for a term expiring June 30, 2026, to fill the expired term of Todd Anthes and 2.) appoint Ivy DeWitt to the Musical Fountain Committee for term expiring June 30, 2026. This motion carried with a vote of three to two. In favor: Lowe, Cummins, McLaughlin. Opposed: Fritz and McNally.

**22-248** Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem **Cummins**, seconded by Council Member **Lowe**, to appoint Lynn Negen to the Main Street DDA, for a term expiring June 30, 2026, to fill the expired term of Todd Anthes. This motion failed with a vote of three to two. In favor: Fritz, McNally. Opposed: Cummins, McLaughlin, and Lowe.

**22-249** Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem **Cummins**, seconded by Council Member **Lowe**, to appoint Ivy DeWitt to the Musical Fountain Committee for a term expiring June 30, 2026. This motion carried unanimously.

### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDAS**

**22-250** Moved by Council Member **McLaughlin**, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem **Cummins**, to approve the consent and regular agendas, as amended, to add the following resolution under New Business, Item 13 D:

Approval of a private event at Grand Haven's City Beach for the University of Michigan Football Beach Day, to be held on Saturday, July 23, 2022, from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (with set-up starting at 8:30 a.m.).

This motion carried unanimously.

### **FIRST CALL TO AUDIENCE**

Mayor McNally made the first of two calls to the audience, allowing audience members to address Council on any issue.

- Jim Hagen, 400 Lake Avenue, spoke regarding the allegation that an improper subsidy was provided by the City to the BLP for many decades. He felt that Item 13 C, under new business, did not make sense and should be withdrawn from the agenda. He stated that former City Manager McGinnis wrote the memo just a day prior to him leaving his position, and he felt that this was untimely and improper. He suggested that it should have been turned over to Ms. Latsch for her consideration to bring forward. He referenced the vague terminology that was mentioned stating that "the attorney looked it over" rather than stating, in writing, specific questions that may have been asked. He brought up the term "transfer payment" described in the memo that is made to the City "in lieu of taxes" and that it is not stated that way in the City Charter; but, rather, it's simply a transfer to the City of five percent of the gross electrical proceeds.
- Doug Vanse, 100 Washington, came forward to talk about parking. He has 11 residents who live above the Copper Post, and two recent tenants have had their cars towed in spite of having purchased a \$120 parking pass from the City. He has been coming to Council for four months and was frustrated that nothing has been done yet. He felt that the City was injuring their own residents by burdening them with additional expense and inconvenience. He asked for fairness.

Mayor McNally commented that she didn't agree with Mr. Vance's premise and that free parking immediately in front of a building that is not owner-occupied is uncommon in most downtowns.

Council Member Lowe disagreed with Mayor McNally and felt that Council could come up with a solution and look into this further.

Mayor McNally explained the process of how it could be placed on an upcoming agenda.

- Josh Brugger, 626 Slayton Avenue, gave an update on behalf of the Ottawa County Brownfield and Economic Development Board, on which he has served since 2020. He reported on how EPA funds for brownfield grants and cleanups were used in Ottawa County and in the City. He noted that about \$50,000 in unused funds is still available, and he encouraged the City to think of other potential brownfield sites and projects that might have some contamination on them. He mentioned that there is a good possibility that the County will be applying for another round of grant funding; and, if the City has a plan for Harbor Island, he would love to be a part of approving that. In response to Mayor McNally, Mr. Brugger explained that the Sims plant was disqualified from grant funding because the BLP wanted to hold on to the property, which made the funds unavailable.
- Sam Rockford, Account Executive for Leverage Marketing, was present to ask Council for approval of the lease agreement on tonight's agenda and noted that she would be available to answer any questions when the item comes up. Ms. Rockford noted that she grew up and went to high school in Grand Haven. Leverage Marketing is a small but growing business and has been in Grand Haven for about 10 years, with many local agencies as clients. She felt that moving into the Community Center would allow them to get more involved in the community.
- Anne Minnema, 84 Indian Trails, commented regarding Council Member Lowe's residency eligibility brought forward by Mayor McNally at the June 20 meeting. She clarified that she was not one of the individuals who brought forward Council Member Lowe's eligibility in question nor has she had any prior association or communication with the mayor or with whomever brought this issue forward. She and her husband have owned property since 2002, and have lived in their cottage full-time, year round since 2014. Her home is directly up the hill from Council Member Lowe and sits directly above Council Member Lowe's parking spots. There are no garages in area and the only way to access Ms. Minnema's property is to directly drive passed Council Member Lowe's cottage. There is only one way in and one way out. Ms. Minnema passes by Council Member Lowe's property several times per day, most days of the week, year-round, and recognizes the vehicles that come in and out. Due to the uniqueness of the neighborhood, she felt that it is very apparent who is residing in the park on a regular basis. Her observations do not support Council Member Lowe's responses that she presented at the June 20 meeting nor in her letter under correspondence in tonight's agenda and feels that looking into this matter further is warranted.

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- Bob Monteza, 945 Washington Avenue, asked that Item 13 C regarding perceived subsidies of BLP operations by City tax payers be removed from the agenda. He felt that the support documents for this item do not reflect the interpretation of the City Charter. The lands on which the BLP facilities exists are owned in the name of the City and is not taxable land, and the BLP is a department of the City not a property tax paying entity. The control of electric rates and finances by BLP are spelled out in the charter. He disagreed with the suggestion that the BLP has gotten a free property tax ride by virtue of its status as a department of the City. Most of the land mentioned was owned by the City prior to the 1959 Charter adoption. He felt that ownership and disposal use of the lands, including Harbor Island, and any pre-existing facilities by the BLP, was clearly intended by the framers of the Charter. He added that the Charter does not suggest that the BLP owes the City anything for the use of that land. He acknowledged that the Charter allows for five percent of revenue to the general fund but doesn't call it a "payment in lieu of taxes." He suggested that Council place a Charter amendment before the voters if they wish to change the way revenues are controlled by the BLP.
- Cecil Bradshaw, 31 Sherman Avenue, stated that the citizens voted for change, and he saw an incredible depth of experience, knowledge and skill; but, over the last few weeks, he felt compelled to share some words with Council. He believed that this Council was a team elected and challenged to serve the citizens of Grand Haven. He talked about the strength and effectiveness of team work and the value of understanding each member's individual and unique talents. He asked members to start respecting one another in terms of how they operate and communicate with one another. He noted that the tone of the team is directed by the Mayor. He believed that if all five members worked in synergy, they could do phenomenal things for the City of Grand Haven.
- Mark Bancuk, 810 S Hopkins, had some safety concerns regarding social districts during the Coast Guard Festival. He also noted that Mike Smith requested the suspension of the social district during the festival, from July 29 to August 6.
- Jeff Miller, 1120 S Harbor, expressed his concerns about brownouts and tiered outages, and if the BLP has a plan for Grand Haven if ordered to shed some of its load. He believed the City should help decide who would bear the burden and for how long. He was concerned about contingencies placed for those who are most vulnerable to the loss of electricity, such as the medically dependent, the infirmed and the elderly. He questioned whether or not cooling stations are in place. He suggested that the City and BLP have a work session to discuss a plan. Secondly, he asked that, if the Council has any influence, he would like to see the BLP take roll call votes at the meetings for the purposes of transparency and accountability. He also thought that the salary of the BLP General Manager should be made public.
- Lynn Negen, 433 Slayton, wanted to tell Council a little bit about herself, since she was nominated for the Main Street Board and there was some discussion. She and her husband have been in Grand Haven and have been in business since 1986. Her husband was the president of Downtown Inc. and they have been involved in downtown for a long time. They own a building with apartments, a business and have employed hundreds of Grand Haven young people as

their staff. They go to church downtown and live a mile away, noting that she has institutional knowledge. She serves as a representative of the DDA, on the Recruitment and Retention Committee, so already feels involved. She is a merchant and feels that she could offer a merchant's voice. She told Council that she would like to leave her application open; she's interested and invested and hoped it could be worked out to be seated on the Main Street DDA board.

- Cara Galbavi, 128 Columbus, current Chair of the MSDDA, addressed Council by phone regarding the vacancies on the Main Street DDA Board. Ms. Galbavi recalled a timeline and communications with the mayor stating that Mayor McNally expressed her concerns and was not planning to reappoint Todd Anthes. Ms. Galbavi noted that she supports Mr. Anthes' appointment and noted that he is the board's immediate past-president and is an officer of the board. She shares concerns with newer board members who are still learning. The potential loss of Todd, after losing many other members, is really regarding institutional memory. She would love to have Lynn Negen fill the vacancy left by Sharon Behm, and she urged the mayor to reappoint Todd Anthes to another term.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

**22-251** Moved by Council Member **McLaughlin**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve the special work session meeting minutes and regular council meeting minutes of June 20, 2022, as amended. This motion carried unanimously.

**22-252** Moved by Council Member **McLaughlin**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve the bills memo in the amount of \$1,150,694.39 (Attachment A). This motion carried unanimously.

**22-253** Moved by Council Member **McLaughlin**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve the purchase of a 20' heavy equipment trailer in the not to exceed price totaling \$25,038 from Redi Haul Trailers, Inc., of Fairmont, MN, and authorize the mayor and interim city clerk to execute the necessary documents.

**22-254** Moved by Council Member **McLaughlin**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve the equipment purchase of two portable air compressors in the not to exceed amount of \$47,282.92 from Sawyer Compressor, of Hudsonville MI, and authorize the mayor and interim city clerk to execute the necessary documents.

**22-255** Moved by Council Member **McLaughlin**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve the engine repairs to truck #50-16 in the not to exceed price totaling \$28,121.02 from West Michigan International, of Wyoming, MI, and authorize the mayor and interim city clerk to execute the necessary documents.

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**22-256** Moved by Council Member **McLaughlin**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Abonmarche Consultants, in the amount of \$27,000, for lighthouse concrete restoration work to be reimbursed by the Grand Haven Lighthouse Conservancy and authorize the mayor and interim city clerk to execute the necessary documents.

**22-257** Moved by Council Member **McLaughlin**, seconded by Council Member **Fritz**, to approve the appointment of Maria Boersma to the City Clerk position (with a start date of July 18). This motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**22-258** Moved by Council Member **Fritz**, seconded by Council Member **McLaughlin**, to approve a five-year lease agreement with Leverage Marketing for the lower level of the Grand Haven Community Center and to authorize the mayor and clerk to execute the necessary documents. This motion carried unanimously

Before the roll call vote was called, Mayor McNally, initially, was not in favor of the lease; she felt that the rent was too low for the space that was being rented and was concerned about the lengthy term. She was also concerned about accepting part of the rent in payment of marketing services, as it was a different firm than the current one being contracted with for the rebranding plan.

Council Member Lowe, was in favor and felt that it was a creative agreement as the tenant will only utilize the office space. She also noted that this would be more of ongoing social media marketing after the rebranding project was completed.

Interim City Manager Latsch noted that the space hasn't been rented since MCC left in 2018. Leverage was one of the companies that responded to the City's RFP for the rebranding project and was thrilled about the potential of that space. Interim City Manager Latsch acknowledged that the space needs a lot of work, which is part of the intent behind the lower rental fee. After three years and some improvements were made, rent would increase to \$2,150. Staff felt that there was value in having a social media management position within the Community Center. Interim City Manager Latsch clarified that the rebrand project does not include ongoing services, and the City lacks the ability to fund that kind of service, once the marketing firm is lost. She sees it as complementary to the existing rebranding program – this one will pick up after the other one ends. McNally questioned if there was a zoning conflict. Interim City Manager Latsch did not believe that there was. Council member Fritz was in favor, noting the value of having the maintenance in the contract.

**22-259** Moved by Council Member **Fritz**, seconded by Council Member **McLaughlin**, to amend the FY 2022/23 Major Street Fund Construction Budget (line item 202-477-971.02) to \$391,252 to cover costs associated with 5th Street and Washington Avenue Traffic Signal

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Removal Project with the Michigan Department of Transportation. This motion carried unanimously.

Before the roll call vote was called, Derek Gajdos, DPW Director, explained the project's history, bidding process timeline and increase in costs. He noted that the City's cost is \$39,000. He explained that the project was expensive, because the foundations and infrastructure would be taken out. Council member Lowe questioned the cost to just leave it blinking, as is. Public Works Director Gajdos explained that it was a temporary fix and could fail at any time; there are no working pedestrian lights. The City would keep them blinking red as long as possible.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Cummins, seconded by Council Member Fritz, to direct staff to conduct an appraisal to determine the value of subsidies improperly provided to the electric utility and to establish a repayment schedule to allow rate payers to reimburse taxpayers with a report back to the City Council no later than September 1, 2022. After some discussion, the following motion was made to table this resolution.

**22-260** Moved by Council Member **Fritz**, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem **Cummins**, to table the motion to conduct an appraisal to determine the value of subsidies improperly provided to the electric utility and to establish a repayment schedule to allow rate payers to reimburse taxpayers with a report back to the City Council no later than September 1, 2022, for the purpose of scheduling a joint meeting, within 30 days, with the City Council and BLP to hold a discussion to work together on PFAS costs going forward. This motion carried unanimously.

Before the roll call vote was taken to table the motion, a lengthy discussion was had. Mayor Pro-Tem Cummins noted that the City was facing a tremendous amount of expenses on Harbor Island and that the diesel plant site has a number of contamination issues as well. He reviewed some history as far as the BLP taking responsibility for and agreeing to pay for the coal ash related items but that their board declined to pay for any portion of the PFAS issue on Harbor Island. He noted that the City attorney was asked a number of questions related to the environmental contamination issues. Mayor Pro-Tem Cummins disagreed that this was a last minute surprise. Council was well aware that Mr. McGinnis had been working on this. In a previous meeting, Mayor McNally, BLP Vice-Chair Mike Westbrook, BLP Chairman Larry Kieft and he met and discussed a number of issues related to the environmental contaminations, and a BLP offer of \$16.5 million dollars was discussed to wash their hands of everything. He noted that Council had previously met in a closed session to discuss a legal opinion on that offer and that he would protect that confidentiality, unless the Council chooses to waive that privilege. Mayor Pro-Tem Cummins suggested that the BLP contact the City attorney so that they can fully understand some of the legal concerns with accepting such an offer. Mayor Pro-Tem Cummins noted that the BLP has operations on land that they're not paying for and that this land has value, which the City cannot use right now because it's not cleaned up to the level that state regulators and the EPA would consider usable. He asked for a 50/50 split over the next year and to work together on future costs. The vice-chair didn't feel it was appropriate to bring back to the board, because they had already decided not to put anything toward PFAS. Mayor Pro-Tem Cummins felt that it was appropriate that the Council look at whether or not our taxpayers should be receiving some dollars for the land that has been used for

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free and is costing the City money. He asked the City attorney to touch on the legalities of this and why he believes the five percent is a separate Charter provision.

Attorney Bultje noted that because he gave Council a confidential opinion, he would preserve the City's confidentiality and answer questions the best that he could. He noted that it was Council's choice to waive that privilege if they desired. Before waiving that privilege, the mayor asked each council member to speak and then would ask for Attorney Bultje's counsel.

Council Member Lowe read from page 759 of the history book, *Grand Haven In the Path of Destiny*, by David H. Seibold, D.D.S. regarding the diesel plant. In 1930 she noted that citizens voted overwhelmingly to build a citizen-owned diesel plant as well as form an elected board. The value of the transferred assets from the City to the board was estimated at a market value of 1.2 billion, which in purchasing power today is about 21 million, excluding Harbor Island. In 1959 the City allowed the BLP to build, rent-free, for 63 years, a coal burning steam generation plant. Now, one of the things the City is looking into is the value of these subsidies. The BLP is concerned that the five percent of revenues was an improper transfer, so we looked at the value of those subsidies, which were perhaps improperly provided to the electrical utility. If that is the case, we need to determine a value and a repayment schedule to allow the rate payers to reimburse the citizens of Grand Haven.

Council members McLaughlin and Fritz stated that they were ready to listen to Attorney Bultje.

Attorney Bultje stated that, with regard to the Charter, there is a provision for 5 percent of gross sales payment by the BLP to the City. It is true the Charter doesn't specifically say this is a payment in lieu of taxation; but, even as far back as 1930, the BLP was in competition with consumers. Consumers is a private entity that pays real estate taxes, but the electric company is a department of the City and now the BLP does not pay property taxes. The obligation of the BLP to pay that five percent of gross retail sales is not subject to the City providing free land to the BLP. The BLP has the authority to purchase real estate in its own name, using its own dollars as a cost of doing business. The BLP has never had to do that, because it's had free land provided to it for the two properties in question (the diesel plant and Harbor Island) for their energy production. He doesn't believe that because the BLP is paying the five percent, the City doesn't have any right to expect any money for the land that we have allowed them to use for free. He doesn't think that's a fair argument. He clarified that the opinion he gave Council was addressing the equities for the offer by the BLP for a one-time payment and then the BLP walks away. It was not addressing the issue at hand, but the equities that he listed included the fact that the BLP has used a significant amount of City land without paying for anything, so he thinks it's a fair subject to consider. He added that he doesn't advocate hardening of positions or drawing lines and making the temperature between the City Council and BLP any hotter than it has to be. His concern is that, since the Council essentially said we want to be involved in the negotiations for the depositing of the environmental contaminations on Harbor Island, the BLP has essentially take the position that they're out of the game. He believed it was an unfortunate position, and he felt the best thing to do would be to make both bodies understand that there's leverage both ways here and neither party should take the position that it be done their way. He was disappointed that the BLP decided to not reconsider the

request by the City to be involved in payment for the time being of the PFAS clean-up. The reality is that the City dump had been properly closed under the laws at the time but for the termination of operations on Harbor Island by the BLP, we would not be having this discussion. He felt everyone needed to be involved in a resolution of this on a cooperative basis. He didn't feel that the language in the resolution reached a conclusion; it says to do a study of unlawful subsidies not that there have been unlawful subsidies.

Mayor McNally stated that she has reservations about trying to charge back rent for 50 years or more. She thought it was absolutely the wrong position to take with the BLP. She had less reservations at looking at where the BLP is using our property, currently, and whether there's a fair market value they should pay. She opposes this resolution and would vote accordingly.

Fritz, thought that this item should be postponed and that members of Council and the BLP should meet as a group and make it work. It would be an opportunity for everyone to ask questions.

Council Member Lowe agreed and added that Council has not met with the BLP since January. She was in favor of postponing until a joint meeting with the BLP and City Council could be scheduled to discuss cost-sharing of PFAS.

Mayor Pro-Tem Cummins was in favor of postponing and hoped that both parties could mutually agree upon something. He added that Council has a responsibility to City tax payers to find ways to pay for these issues.

Moved by Council Member McLaughlin, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Cummins, to approve a private event at Grand Haven's City Beach for the University of Michigan Football Beach Day, to be held on Saturday, July 23, 2022, from 11:30 a.m. -5:00 p.m., with set-up starting at 8:30 a.m. This motion was amended to add the text, "dependent upon Parks & Recreation Board approval."

Before the roll call vote was taken, a discussion took place. Council Member McLaughlin explained that the City had been approached by the University of Michigan football team. They would be doing a tour of Michigan with their families and coaches and selected Grand Haven to stop for the day. They were asking to reserve a portion of the City Beach south of Noto's for a gathering. He thought it would be great publicity for the City, and he was in support of the event as long as city staff and public safety could all work together.

Council Member Fritz questioned if any other events were to be held. Community Affairs Manager Seise confirmed that there were no conflicts for that day at the City Beach.

Council Member Lowe was in support of the event.

Cummins was supportive. It was clarified that the private event request was for exclusive use of the beach and that it was not a meet and greet type event.

Mayor McNally was not in support of exclusive use during a peak summer day.

Fritz was not in support of the event because of the request for exclusive use and because it had not yet gone before the Parks & Recreation Board. He felt that it should go through the process prior to coming to Council for a vote at the last minute.

**22-261** Moved by Council Member **Fritz**, seconded by Mayor **McNally**, to amend the resolution by adding the text, “dependent upon Parks and Recreation Board approval” to the consideration of a private event at Grand Haven’s City Beach for the University of Michigan Football Beach Day, to be held on Saturday, July 23, 2022, from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with set-up starting at 8:30 a.m. This motion carried at a vote of four to one. In favor: Cummins, McLaughlin, Fritz, Lowe. Opposed: McNally.

**22-262** Moved by Council Member **Fritz**, seconded by Mayor **McNally**, to approve a private event at Grand Haven’s City Beach for the University of Michigan Football Beach Day, to be held on Saturday, July 23, 2022, from 11:30 a.m. -5:00 p.m., with set-up starting at 8:30 a.m. dependent upon parks board approval. This motion carried at a vote of four to one. In favor: Cummins, McLaughlin, Fritz, Lowe. Opposed: McNally.

#### REPORT BY CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Fritz commented that he went to the Rotary D’Vine event. The charity this year was “Coats for Grand Haven Area Public Schools.” It was a great turnout, the restrooms were very clean; staff is doing a great job down at the waterfront. He attended the Music on the Grand event, which was unbelievably good. Phil Vaser is coming up, and he is a really great country artist. We are fortunate to have some of these top-notch artists coming to Grand Haven. He noted that the East End Celebration and tour of the wastewater treatment plant is coming up on July 14. He thanked the Grounds crew for the flowers in the parks and noted that they are all looking good.

McLaughlin thanked Ashley for all of her work and coordination with Public Safety on the fireworks show. He was very appreciative to have that event go on after two years of not having it, due to Covid.

Mayor Pro-Tem Cummins, seconded McLaughlin’s comments on the fireworks and thanked all of staff for a great weekend. He appreciated having the food trucks down at Chinook Pier and noticed that the downtown and waterfront looked great. He expressed his appreciation to GHDPS for all of the work they do. Overall, it was a very good weekend in Grand Haven. He addressed Attorney Ron Bultje for confirmation that the Charter had been followed as it relates to the diesel plant buy sell agreement. Attorney Bultje affirmed that the procedures were done correctly and without any violations of City Charter during the process.

Council member Lowe echoed her thanks to Interim City Manager Latsch and all City staff, especially GHDPS. It was a terrific weekend and she thanked everyone for making it uniquely Grand Haven.

Mayor McNally stated that the fireworks show was spectacular and the timing of it was impeccable. She appreciated and recognized the work from Interim City Manager Latsch, Public Works, Public Safety, and all staff for the fireworks and handling problems at the beach and coming to the aid of the State park.

### **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

Interim City Manager Latsch recapped the Fourth of July Fireworks Show and revealed that staff was also grateful to be able to pull it off in the tight time frame between storms. She credited several agencies and City departments and noted that they had spent a lot of time watching the radar. In addition, she noted the surrounding police forces that joined the City including nine different agencies representing firefighters on the hill. The public works department makes it look like none of it ever happened the next day. Our department of public safety put forth an incredible effort among all and everyone is so appreciative after all they had to deal with throughout the day to execute a show of that capacity in the evening. She also credited Ryan Strayhorn, a long-time volunteer for the Musical Fountain Committee, and is truly the genius and choreographer behind the show. She thanked the fireworks company and all the agencies on the hill as well.

Interim City Manager Latsch also clarified that, from a Public Safety perspective, the State Park events and other various calls from downtown that evening were not related to the social districts or sales of alcohol.

She also asked Council for feedback related to the list of names that the executive search firm could survey to build the community profile. The firm requested 25 but she received input from Council for a total of 35 names. Mayor McNally thought that more would be preferred, if the firm allowed for that many.

Mayor McNally noted that Attorney Ron Bultje would be in attendance at all Council Meetings until a permanent City Manager is appointed.

### **CALL TO AUDIENCE—SECOND OPPORTUNITY**

Mayor McNally made the second of two calls to the audience, allowing audience members to address Council on any issue.

- Doug Vanse, 100 Washington, Copper Post, suggested bidding out the redevelopment of Harbor Island to a private contractor and removing the City and BLP. Eventually, the City would reap the reward from the tax revenue.
- Jeffrey Miller, 1120 S Harbor, asked for an opportunity for additional public comment when items were added to the agenda. In regard to the addition of agenda item 13D, he believed that state law allowed for a 10' easement for beach goers to be able to walk shoreline.

- Jim Hagen, 400 Lake, encouraged Council to bring in a facilitator and have HDR present at the meeting with the BLP. People have a lot of different opinions in regard to technical issues that are not correct. He agreed with Mr. Miller's request about allowing public comment when an item is added to the agenda at the last minute. He was not in support of how this item was handled and that it was added at the last minute.

#### ADJOURNMENT

After hearing no further business, Mayor McNally adjourned the meeting at 9:56 p.m.

Catherine M. McNally  
Catherine M. McNally, Mayor

Mary A. Angel  
Mary A. Angel, Executive Assistant  
Acting Clerk for July 5 Regular Meeting

ATTACHMENT A

To: Ashley Latsch, Interim City Manager  
 From: Emily Greene, Finance Director  
 CM Date: 07.05.22  
 RE: Bills From Payables Warrant

FUND NUMBER	FUND NAME	WARRANT 06.22.22	WARRANT 06.29.22	ACH WARRANT 06.29.22	TOTALS
101	General Fund	\$44,291.49	\$87,642.90	\$62,986.14	\$194,920.53
202	Major Street Fund	\$83,367.38	\$1,748.11	\$243.94	\$85,359.43
203	Local Street Fund	\$316,720.91	\$750.21	\$0.00	\$317,471.12
225	Land Acquisition Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
236	Main St Dist. Dev	\$5,651.88	\$9,058.38	\$0.00	\$14,710.26
251	Econ. Dev. Corp. Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
252	Brownfield Redevelopment Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
252	BRA Peerless Flats EGLLE Loan	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
253	Brfd LSRRF TIF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
254	Downtown TIF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
255	GLTIF Spec Rev Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
256	UTGO Inf Spec Rev Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
257	LTGO Bond Rev Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
258	2015 UTGO Bond Rev	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
275	Housing Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
276	LightHouse Maintenance Fund	\$0.00	\$108.05	\$77.85	\$185.90
278	Community Land Trust	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00
310	Assessment Bond Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
351	Operating Debt Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
352	Brownfield TIF Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
353	Downtown TIF Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
355	GLTIF Debt Serv Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
356	UTGO Inf Debt Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
357	LTGO Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
358	2015 UTGO Bond Debt Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
360	2020 LTGO Bond - Warber Drain	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
369	Building Auth Debt Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
401	Public Improvements Fund	\$17,994.80	\$2,996.50	\$35.86	\$21,027.16
402	Fire Truck Replacement Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
403	Brownfield TIF Const	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
404	Downtown TIF Const.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
455	G/L TIF Construction Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
456	UTGO Inf Construction Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
457	LTGO Bond Construction Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
458	2015 UTGO Bond Inf Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
469	Building Auth. Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
508	North Ottawa Rec Authority	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
581	Airpark Fund	\$89.66	\$46,877.06	\$65.90	\$47,032.64
582	Chinook Pier Rental Fund	\$0.00	\$11,390.74	\$1,794.51	\$13,185.25
590	City Sewer Fund	\$1,155.14	\$84,904.19	\$1,080.72	\$87,140.05
591	City Water Fund	\$831.69	\$2,271.24	\$20,026.40	\$23,128.33
594	City Marina Fund	\$226.56	\$8,445.42	\$597.44	\$9,269.42
597	City Boat Launch Fund	\$15.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15.00
661	Motorpool Fund	\$1,319.20	\$4,371.31	\$719.53	\$6,410.04
677	Self Insurance Fund	\$0.00	\$1,076.25	\$0.00	\$1,076.25
678	Retirement Health Fund	\$0.00	\$145.40	\$0.00	\$145.40
679	Health Benefit Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
701	Trust & Agency Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
703	Tax Collection Fund	\$11.76	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11.76
711	Cemetery Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
750	Payroll Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
800	Sewer Authority Operations	\$141,354.53	\$26,786.54	\$28,594.06	\$196,735.13
800	Sewer Authority SL Force Mn	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
800	Sewer Authority Plant Mod	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
800	GH/SL SA-2013 Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
800	GH/SL SA-SLPS/Force Main Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
800	GH/SL SA-Local Lift Station Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
800	GH/SL SA-2018 Plant Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
810	NOWS Operating	\$191.00	\$53,107.36	\$75,572.36	\$128,870.72
810	NOWS Plant Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
810	NOWS Replacement	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
		\$615,221.00	\$343,679.68	\$191,793.71	\$1,150,694.39

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

\$1,150,694.39 Total Approved Bills  
 \$1,233.41 Minus eligible bills for release without prior approval: i.e.  
 \$1,149,460.98 Retirement, Insurance, Health Benefit, and Tax Collec