

GRAND HAVEN COMMUNITY CENTER

A/K/A Central Park Place Minutes

April 27, 2026

Present: Doug VanOss, Meghan Allison, Martha Alexander

Absent: Dawn Wolfe

Others Present: Katy Gilbert – CPP Supervisor, Dana Kollwehr – Assistant City Manager, Ashley Latsch – City Manager (arrived halfway through)

1. Meeting called to order

Assistant City Manager, Dana Kollwehr called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. General Business/ Call to Audience

- Shannon McMaster of C3 Church introduced himself and expressed interest in attending on behalf of his organization.
- Michael Cansfield of Momentum Center introduced himself, shared his professional background, and expressed a desire to learn more about the Board and its future direction.

3. Approval of January 26, 2026 and February 23, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Alexander, seconded by Allison, to approve the meeting minutes.
Motion carried 3-0.

4. New Business

Board Chair Election – Kollwehr noted that with the passing of the previous Board Chair, a new Chair was needed and called for nominations. After some discussion, no one present was able to commit to the role. All agreed to postpone the decision until all members could be present. There is now a vacancy on the Board. If anyone knows someone interested in serving, encourage them to apply through the City Clerk's office.

5. Central Park Place Updates

Staff Updates – The new CPP Events and Facilities Supervisor, Katy Gilbert, was introduced to the Board. Katy shared more about her background and expressed that she was looking forward to working with everyone.

Children's Museum Update – Kollwehr shared that City staff met with Museum representatives and confirmed there wasn't sufficient support to move forward with their proposal to use any of the existing first-floor space. Staff noted there may be support for making an equivalent amount of square footage available through greater use of the lower level or further building expansion. No timeframe was set for when the City may receive a revised proposal from the Museum. Updates will be shared as they become available.

6. Committee Reports

Marketing - Meghan Allison

Meghan will meet with Gilbert to share her observations and feedback on possible changes to the CPP website.

Arts - Martha Alexander

- Martha shared information about upcoming art shows.
- The group discussed the possibility of speaking with an interior designer about changes to the Suite and Woodbine to make them more appealing for wedding rentals.

Organizations - Dawn Wolfe

Not present

Community – Currently vacant

Finance - Doug VanOss

Doug presented the year-to-date budget through March 2026. Overall spending is down, but this is due to staffing changes and decisions during this transitional period, with marketing and some expenses delayed until operations and staff return to normal.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: March 18, 2026