



**CITY OF GRAND HAVEN
GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN**

**MINUTES FOR
MUSICAL FOUNTAIN
COMMITTEE MEETING**

**CITY HALL
519 WASHINGTON AVE**

**WEDNESDAY, August 12, 2026
6:00 PM**

Committee members unable to attend are requested to contact Brian Jarosz, City Liaison, at
bjarosz@grandhaven.org or 616-847-3493

- 1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 6pm**
- 2. ROLL CALL Brad, Brandon, Dennis, Don, Nicki and Jane present; Jerry was absent**
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA Motion made by Brandon N. Seconded by Don L.**
- 4. CALL TO AUDIENCE No audience tonight.**

At this time, members of the audience may address Committee on any item, whether on the agenda or not. Those addressing Committee are asked to provide their name and address and will be limited to three minutes of speaking time. Committee will hear all comments for future consideration but will not have a response at this time.

- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF JULY 8, 2026 Motion by Jane R; 2nd by Dennis N.**

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. MAINTENANCE ITEMS

- Thursday Crew continues to work almost every week
Items included Dove repair; Pump seals; work on Pump 2; new seal custom ring for peacock
- CGF Fireworks went great – no debris cleanup needed! Fireworks were amazing; drone show “disappointing” and new vendor search will begin.
- Related discussion that Purple Commemoration was well received
- New Lighting installation
 - New light fixtures continue to run flawlessly! Noted that they were perfectly aimed as well
 - Thursday Crew will anchor Dove stanchions when pond is drained after season end

- City Items still open
 - Crack seal the asphalt – Fall?
 - Replace the Anchor House roof – completed? Done
 - Replace the Anchor pole boot – completed? Not yet
 - Paint flagpole – Summer next summer?

B. TASK FORCE ITEMS

C. PRODUCTION ITEMS

- Choreography and Playback software updates
 New Computer with vertical monitor gathering data; 18k per show
 Preventative maintenance to be scheduled via AI also check to see which fountain songs are “hard on the fountain” and the true speed for each valve opening

 Also noted that the old CTL software timing was “close enough” compared to new “perfectly timed” software. Noted some old songs will not be able to have timing “fixed”
- 2026 Song/Show Updates
 Happily noted that the skill and color use is amazing. Suggestion also made to invite all choreographers to October meeting
- Song Testing Plans going forward and as songs are completed; testing follows quickly.
 Go Nicki!
- Opportunity for light (laser) show during Christmas shopping season (Black Friday to Christmas Eve) Goal to raise money for New Years’ Eve event. Logical choice of “Grand Haven Committee to suggest this show” is Fountain Committee
 MOTION MADE to vote on Fountain Committee to take on Christmas Laser Show by Nicki; 2nd by Brandon–Motion Passed.
 Also noted an appropriate and creative name needs to be found for this endeavor.

D. MARKETING ITEMS

- Social Media update Plans are to have newest member, Carol Wextaff, to work on Instagram updates.
- Website update–Great traffic during Coast Guard Festival
- Bright Future Fundraiser–Donations slowing–\$7600 so far time to call in corporate donors?
- Printful donation shop – still Work in Process

- Peace Frogs – Kristen selling stickers! (see samples) great stickers, very colorful, high quality
- Other Ideas... possible Christmas ornaments? Sell in Depot at Christmas Laser show?

E. FINANCE ITEMS

- July 2026 Statements
- YTD Stadium Safe Cash Report

7. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

- Jerry not present (we missed you!)

8. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

INVITE donors “up on the hill” to see the fountain up close—maybe on Wednesdays?
Could invite them up at 7pm

KUDOS to Brian and his crew for all their work on Coast Guard Weekend!!

9. NEXT MEETING DATE – September 9, 2026

10. ADJOURNMENT 7:45pm