

CITY OF GRAND HAVEN GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN

MINUTES FOR MUSICAL FOUNTAIN COMMITTEE MEETING

CITY HALL 519 WASHINGTON AVE

WEDNESDAY, August 13, 2025 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

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Jerry Troke Nicki Bonczyk Brad Boyink Dennis Nivison Jane Riddle Brian Jarosz (City Liaison)

Absent:

Brandon Nearanz Sarah Kallio

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to Approve: Ivy DeWitt

Second: Nicki Bonczyk Passes unanimously

4. CALL TO AUDIENCE

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 9, 2025

Corrections: Roll call needs to be updated to reflect that everyone was present except Ivy DeWitt and change the approval of dates from March 12, 2025

Motion to approve minutes with corrections noted above: Nicki Bonzcyk

Second: Dennis Nivison Passes unamiously

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. MAINTENANCE ITEMS

- Status Update on New Lighting
 - Light fixture shipment
 - Update: Lights should be here within 15 days. They are at port in Long Beach right now.
 - Acclaim Splitters are here
- City Items
 - Tree trimming on sides, evergreen in center DONE
 - Disposal of tree trimmings
 - Crack seal the asphalt
 - Entry road scraping/leveling
 - Replace the Anchor House roof
 - There is a significant amount of rot. The repairs will likely come in the spring.
 - Replace the Anchor pole boot
 - Paint flagpole
 - Clarified that the structural pieces are steel, not aluminum.
 - Replace entry gate
 - Not a top priority, but we do need to address golf carts going around the gate by fortifying the fence.

B. TASK FORCE ITEMS

C. PRODUCTION ITEMS

- New Choreographers
 - Narendra Bagaskara
 - Toby Ip

Motion to approve Narenda and Toby as new choreographers – Ivy DeWitt

Second - Jane Riddle

Passes Unanimously

- Music Approval
 - Coast Guard Festival Drone Show Music approved by Chair and Producer with permission of the City Manager's Office

Motion to approve the drone show music at it was approved by the Chair and

Producer – Ivy DeWitt

Second – Nicki Bonczyk

Passes unanimously

- Elvis Presley Music for Review tonight
 - Blue Suede Shoes
 - Can't Help Falling in Love
 - Don't Be Cruel
 - Heartbreak Hotel
 - Hound Dog
 - A Little Less Conversation JXL Radio Edit Remix
 - Stuck On You

Viva Las Vegas

Motion to approve Elvis Presley music – Jane Riddle

Second – Dennis Nivison

General discussion around whether music needs to seem like a good fit for choreography before approval.

Passes unanimously

- Disco Music for Review tonight
 - Boogie Wonderland Earth, Wind & Fire (with The Emotions)
 - Disco Inferno The Trammps
 - Get Down Tonight KC & The Sunshine Band
 - I Will Survive Gloria Gaynor
 - That's the Way (I Like It) KC & The Sunshine Band
 - You Should Be Dancing Bee Gees

Motion to approve disco music – Ivy DeWitt

Second – Jane Riddle

Discussion around You Should Be Dancing – BeeGees. Striking the song from the list with the approval of the choreographer.

Passes unanimously after the removal of the Beegees song.

- Song Testing update
- ° 2025 Shows update
- ° 2026 Shows Update / Slack Music Review Feedback

D. MARKETING ITEMS

- Social Media update
 - Update on social media metrics
 - Discussion about TikTok in the offseason
- Fundraising activities ideas Coloring Books (continued)
- o Other Ideas
 - Shirts
 - Donations for merch on the website
- A Brighter Future Fundraiser Launch Date in Spring

E. FINANCE ITEMS

July 2025 statements

7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- WAWL Appearance
- 8. OTHER NEW BUSINESS
- 9. NEXT MEETING DATE September 10, 2025
- 10. ADJOURNMENT