



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

**MINUTES FOR
MUSICAL FOUNTAIN
COMMITTEE MEETING**

**CENTRAL PARK PLACE
421 COLUMBUS AVE**

**WEDNESDAY, April 23, 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
Brandon Nearanz
Dennis Nivison
Jane Riddle
Brian Jarosz (City Liaison)
Brad Boyink
Sarah Kallio

Absent:

Nicki Bonzyk
Ivy DeWitt

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion To Approve: Dennis Nivison

Seconded: Sarah Kallio

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 MARCH 12, 2025

Motion To Approve: Dennis Nivison

Seconded: Brandon Nearanz

Passes unanimously

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. MAINTENANCE ITEMS

- Work continues on the hill with our 4-man crew – pump and valve rebuilding
- Status update and demonstration of new lighting
- **Brad Boyink**—new lights tested, purchase pending tariff issues, possible fundraiser of “Buy A Light” and additional possibilities
- City Items
 - Need porta-potty in place by April 25
 - Spring washdown of pond
 - Crack seal the asphalt and pond
 - Entry road scraping/leveling
 - Tree trimming on sides, evergreen in center
 - Replace the Anchor House roof
 - Replace the Anchor pole boot

B. TASK FORCE ITEMS

- Volunteer Day will be April 26 – rain date of May 10
- Publicity needs?
- Coffee/donuts, lunch, refreshments
- Task list completed – need ?? volunteers

C. PRODUCTION ITEMS

- Approval of 4th of July and Coast Guard Festival Shows
 - Songs for Review - 4th of July Show - Music: 4th Of July
 1. Star-Spangled Banner (Fountain) (Already Approved)
 2. Stars and Stripes Forever (Fountain) (Already Approved)
 3. Armed Service Medley (Fountain) (Already Approved)
 4. Centuries - Fall Out Boy (Lyrics)
 5. My Shot - Hamilton Soundtrack (Already Approved)
 6. Mr. Red White and Blue - Coffey Anderson (Already Approved)
 7. Acceleration - Instrumental (No Lyrics)
 8. America The Beautiful - Alicia Keys & Ray Charles (Already Approved)
 9. Only in America - Brooks & Dunn (Already Approved)
 10. The Twist - Chubby Checker (Already Approved)

11. Let's Go Crazy - Prince ([Lyrics](#))
12. HandClap - Fitz and The Tantrums ([Lyrics](#))
13. I Want to Rock - Twisted Sister (Already Approved)
14. Smoke on the Water - 2WEI (Already Approved)

Motion To Approve: Brandon Nearanz

Seconded By: Sarah Kallio

Passed unanimously

- Songs for Review - Coast Guard Festival Show - Music: [CGF Music](#)

Starting Songs with the Fountain

1. Star-Spangled Banner (Fountain) (Already Approved)
2. Armed Service Medley (Fountain) (Already Approved)
3. Hero - Chad Kroger (Fountain) ([Lyrics](#))
4. Sweet Dreams - Sebastian Bohm (Crossover w/ some fireworks) (No Lyrics)

Fireworks Show Starts Here

5. All Original - Sammy Oh!, Cal!co (Lyrics sent in email)
6. Edge of Glory - Lady Gaga ([Lyrics](#))
7. The Avengers - Alan Silvestri (No Lyrics)
8. Where The Stars and Stripes and Eagles Fly - Aaron Tippin ([Lyrics](#))
9. Defying Gravity - Wicked (with fountain) (Already Approved)
10. Try - Pink! ([Lyrics](#))
11. Born To Be Wild - Steppenwolf (Already Approved)
12. It's Not Unusual - Tom Jones ([Lyrics](#))
13. All The Small Things - Blink 182 ([Lyrics](#))
14. Paint It Black - Sebastian Bohm (Already Approved)

Motion To Approve: Dennis Nivison

Seconded By: Sarah Kallio

Passed unanimously

- Need Motion to delegate authority to the Producer to approve new choreography for the 2025 season

Motion To Approve: Sarah Kallio

Seconded By: Brandon Nearanz

Passed unanimously

2025 Show Ideas discussion - continued

D. MARKETING ITEMS

- Fundraising activities ideas

- New lighting fundraiser

- "A Brighter Future"??
- Start date

- Free billboards discussion

Dennis Nivison owns a digital billboard in Holland; Sarah Kallio will be designing a series of ads for fountain information and publicity. Thank you Dennis!

E. FINANCE ITEMS

- March 2025 statements

7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- Meeting with Tracy Riley, Executive Director of Coast Guard Festival. There is much excitement and anticipation of the Fountain Program for Coast Guard.

8. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Jerry Troke met with Ken Formsma about fundraising; possible assistance, may keep closer community connection

Spring Update to City Council is May 19

Brad Boyink demonstrated the MADREX system of Live Effects for fountain lighting. This addition offers more color blending, many, many more colors, and amazing special effects. The suggestion to have APEX set up what is needed to add to the fountain choreography program. No timeline for this has been set. Choreographers who were present were very impressed!

9. NEXT MEETING DATE – May 14, 2025

Reminder that it will be at City Hall instead of Central Park Place

10. ADJOURNMENT at 7:25pm

Motion To Approve: Jane Riddle

Seconded By: Brandon Nearanz

Passed unanimously