



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

**MINUTES FOR
MUSICAL FOUNTAIN
COMMITTEE MEETING**

**CENTRAL PARK PLACE
421 COLUMBUS AVE**

**WEDNESDAY, September 11, 2024
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
Ivy DeWitt
Brian Jarosz (City Liaison)
Nicki Bonzyk
Jane Riddle
Brandon Nearanz
Dennis Nivinson
Brad Boyink

Absent:

Sarah Kallio

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as modified with modifications noted by asterisks - Ivy DeWitt

Second - Jane Riddle

Approved unanimously

Modifications made to agenda are discussing Everyday I Write the Book, I Like to Move It, Greased Lightin' and Beauty School Dropout. We are going to table discussion on I Like To Move It until we can find licensing on the movie version.

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 AUGUST 21, 2024

Motion to approve minutes - Brandon Nearanz

Second - Nicki Bonczyk

Approved unanimously.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. MAINTENANCE ITEMS

- Sand blowout near flagpole – city to address – update?
- Noisy coupler sleeve on Pump 3 replaced – spare now in stock
- Sample upgraded replacement LED lights have arrived – now need to be tested
- Testing bluetooth transmitter for fountain side audience speaker use.

B. TASK FORCE ITEMS

- Next Volunteer Day will occur in April 2025 – date TBD

C. PRODUCTION ITEMS

- Song choreography continues – About 80 songs done, Goal still 100 by end of season!
- Next Choreography Training update - This session has been a little slower with a little less engagement. It is a busy time of year will be hosting another session in January.
- *Discuss Elvis Costello song - Everyday I Write the Book (Movie Night)
- *Discuss Greased Lightnin' (Grease) - **Removed by Producer. Not up for vote.**
- *Discuss Beauty School Dropout (Grease) - **Removed by Producer. Not up for vote.**

Motion to reject Everyday I Write the Book (Movie Night), Greased Lightnin', and Beauty School Dropout.

Second - Nicki Bonczyk

Passes Unanimously

- *Discuss I Like to Move It (Madagascar) - Tabling discussion for now.
- Approval of new songs for Choreographers
 - Throwback – 50s, 60s, 70s, and 90s songs
Motion to Approve - Ivy DeWitt
Second - Jane Riddle
Passes Unanimously
 - Movie Soundtrack Variety Nights
Motion to Approve - Brandon Nearanz
Second - Nicki Bonczyk
Passes Unanimously
 - Brat Pack Night songs
Motion to Approve - Nicki Bonczyk
Second - Brandon Nearanz

Passes Unanimously

- Animated Movie Night songs
We are going to table I Like To Move it until we can find the animated version.
Motion to Approve - Nicki Bonczyk
Second - Brandon Nearanz
Passes Unanimously

- Grease Night songs less songs noted above.
Motion to Approve - Ivy DeWitt
Second - Jane Riddle
Passes Unanimously

- 2025 Show Ideas discussion - continued
- *Custom introductions
All of the new speeches are produced. We also have first person consistency.
- Note: The Beatles and Rolling Stones should become available for licensing in 2025.

D. MARKETING ITEMS

- City music licenses now include streaming – should we add a GHMF streaming camera or continue to rely on WGHN Channel Cam? Brad and Jerry will look into hardware cost and availability
- At the next meeting, discuss social media branding with Sarah. Can we have a special profile picture that shows “The Fountain?”
- We will be making social media posts and responses in the first person as well.

E. FINANCE ITEMS

- Review of current financial statements

7. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

- Final Recap
The season has been fabulous. We only lost one show to a technical glitch. Only 6 shows left this season!
- *2025 Meeting Schedule - Continuing with the second Wednesday of the month in 2025. No meeting in January, February, or October.

8. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Meet the committee members on social media in the offseason.

Add to agenda for next meeting - Fundraising Ideas.

9. NEXT MEETING DATE – November 13, 2024

10. ADJOURNMENT