



Village of Grand Beach
48200 Perkins Blvd.
Grand Beach, MI 49117

Police Station Committee Meeting Minutes-Proposed Thursday, April 30th, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. ET

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 10:01 by Chief Layman. In attendance in addition to Chief Layman was Grand Beach Building Official Chad Butler, Grand Beach Resident Julie Dunsire, Michiana Planning Commission member Ron Rosetto, Michiana Councilman Mike Mumper, Grand Beach Planning Commission member Jim Krillenberger, Michiana Council President Tim McCarthy, Grand Beach Council President Harry Walder, and Architect Mike Elliott. Deputy Clerk Michelle Maroney was also present.

There were two people in the audience.

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Krillenberger and seconded by Walder.

Approve Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the April 20th meeting by McCarthy and seconded by Walder.

Old Business

- **Cashflow**-Walder reported he is working to get finalized testaments with Elliott and will report back.
- **Community Project Funding Grant**- Chief Layman shared that he received a call from District Representative (to Congressman Walberg) Lee Belding, to personally inform him that the submitted proposal was selected as one of fifteen projects to be brought to the House Appropriations Committee. He further explained this will then proceed to the Senate and onto the President for a signature-roughly around October. If this prevails then funds could be expected in January of 2027. A discussion ensued to revisit the previous concerns about relying on this funding; Walder reminded the group that once the Federal decision was made the State of Michigan and specifically the Department of Agriculture would be the one to allocate the funds. McCarthy agreed that this is a possibility (that funds could be diminished from what was proposed) and shared their similar experience in Michiana. "I am just trying to manage expectations," Walder stated, and McCarthy suggested finding a Michigan contact that could help advocate for the project/ work as a conduit- Chief Layman offered to reach out to Deputy Chief Joanna Brown in Washington to figure out the next steps/ recommendations. Discussion ensued about simultaneously pursuing a bond as a 'dual path,' approach; McCarthy suggested waiting since the turnaround time was described as 2-3 months by the representative from Bendzinski & Co.
- **Joint funding agreement**- McCarthy and Walder shared that they had no progress to report and McCarthy will reach out again to Attorney Senica.

New Business

1. Wetland Delineation Study Report -Architect Elliott reviewed the report and concluded that there are no regulated wetlands at the proposed site. "This is all good news," Elliott said, explaining that civil

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engineers will then use the site plan to ensure they will not impact any streams in the area. Chief Layman stated that the Wetland Report has been forwarded on to Wightman Engineering.

2. Skillman CM Proposal- Walder introduced the proposal provided by Skillman with an estimate for Construction Management services. The proposal included a pre-bond service proposal and a separate proposal once project scope, schedule and phasing are defined. Elliott explained that a design firm would essentially 'deliver,' the project and a CM would assist with the budgeting and logistics of that project whereas a traditional approach would look more like 'design, bid, build.' He stated that he had not seen a CM act as an 'advisor,' as depicted in the proposal in a while and Walder added that he felt there was enough, 'in house talent,' to supplement this pre-bond section of the proposal entirely. Elliott added that the simplistic design of the proposed station 'can take advantage of a competitive bid scope.'

Discussion ensued about the proposed look of the building and recent builds on Highway 12 were referenced. Mumper reminded the Committee that the proposed design, 'needs to fit our community,' and Elliott added there are ways to elaborate on some of these design examples along the highway with aesthetic add-ons like a more pitched roof. Krillenberger questioned if we were at the stage to start gathering build proposals and Butler warned about advertising the proposed project budget as many vendors will start to submit their proposals right at that figure; Walder added we should wait to solicit this until we are 'ready to do something,' and it was still early in the process.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: (3-minute time limit)

There were no public comments.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn by Krillenberger and seconded by Rosetto. The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m. ET. The next meeting scheduled will be June 12th at 10:00 a.m. ET in the Village of Michiana.

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