

**Grandmont Community Association**  
**P.O. Box 27790, Detroit, Michigan 48227**

**GRANDMONT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** June 2, 2018      **TIME:** 10AM      **PLACE:** GRDC ~ 19800 GRAND RIVER

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** CANDICE FORTMAN ( PRESIDENT), CHARLOTTE WRIGHT ( VICE-PRESIDENT)  
CHARITY DEAN ( SECRETARY), ROBERT PATTERSON ( TREASURER), JOMO KING, OTTUMN KENNEDY, EDWARD  
SMITH, LARRISSA CARR, YVONNE SANDERS, ETHEL SMITH

**GCA MEMBERS:** DAN NEIL, DIANE PATTERSON,

**BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:** KATHY MORGAN ( EXCUSED)

**COMMUNITY IN ATTENDANCE:** CHASE CANTRELL, RASHIDA TLAIB , MARK JANUSCH,

I.      **CALL TO ORDER:** 10:05am

II.     **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

**A. May 2018 Minutes**

A.1.     Edit: Jomo King was present

A.2.     Motion for approval as edited: Charity Dean Second: Jomo King

III.    **OFFICERS' REPORTS:**

**A. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Verbal Report)**

A.1. We are working on getting board training

A.2. New Committee Report outs will be timed to ensure that everyone gets a fair and  
appropriate time to report.

**B. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Verbal Report)**

B.1. We are researching starting a 501(c)3 for GCA

**C. TREASURER'S REPORT: (Written Report)**

C.1. Checking as of 6/02/18: 6,522.83

C.2. Savings as of 6/02/18: 2,702.52

**D. MEMBERSHIP REPORT: (Written Report)**

D.1. Paypal balance: 2513.95

IV.    **COMMITTEE REPORTS (Standing):**

**A. ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR: (Written Report)**

A.1. 28 vendors secured. The goal is 40 vendors

A.2. We need sponsorships

**B. ENVIRONMENTAL/VACANT PROPERTY TASK FORCE: (Written Report)**

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- B.1. There are now 80 vacant homes
- B.2. In the fall, the city will be asking if people want trees planted. Diane will request residents who want a tree.
- B.3. We need to ensure that we hold the property owners accountable to take care of the vacant property.
- B.4. Candice will invite all block and street captains to the next meeting so that they can help with keep vacant property clean.

**C. GRANDMONITOR: (Written Report)**

- C.1. Total Income: \$590.00
- C.2. Debts Collectable: \$200.00

**D. GRDC: (Written Report)**

- D.1. GRDC representatives on the board should be accountable to GCA

**E. RAMSAY PARK: (Verbal Report)**

- E.1. The Park is being cut by the city
- E.2. We met the new principal from Edison.

**F. RIPPLING HOPE/ SCHOLARSHIP: (Combined Written Report)**

- F.1. Scholarship Total is \$1,726.69
- F.2. Free Paint is available every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 3-5p and every Saturday 10a-12p at Rippling Hope

**G. SAFETY/SECURITY: ( No Report)**

- G.1. Dog Attack on Woodmont
- G.2. Wheels and Tires removed from Escalade on Grandmont
- G.3. Package Thief Identified
- G.4. Dogs must be walked on a leash

**H. STREET & BLOCK CAPTAINS**

- H.1. Ethel and Charlotte will get information on captains to Candice
- H.2. Next meeting will be after the GCA July Meeting

**V. ACCEPTANCE OF ALL REPORTS**

- A.** Motion by Charlotte Wright and Second by Ethel Smith

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**VI. OLD BUSINESS:**

- A.** There are still signs that are broken. Edward Smith volunteered to reconstruct the signs and he will do it soon.
- B.** We have new flowers. Diane needs a group to come help plant.
- C.** Mini Bikes are illegal and we need to find a way to address it.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS:**

A.1. Mini grant \$500 beautification on commercial corridor.

A.1.1. The proposal is to beautify the Valero on Southfield/ Grand River

A.1.2. Motion by Charity Dean Second by Ethel Smith

A.1.3. Grant Proposal Approved by everyone

A.2. Meeting Format Changes

A.2.1. Submit Reports – 5 days before the board meeting

A.2.2. We will time committee reports for that everyone gets 4 mins to report out.  
We will do structured Q&A.

A.2.3. Charity will email Report Forms to everyone.

A.3. Committee Standards

A.3.1. In July, we will have new business that will focus on committee vacancies and allow new people for chairs. We will do a call out in the Grandmonitor for committee.

A.4. Standard for Board Attendance

A.4.1. Everyone will get a copy of bylaws

A.4.2. To have an excused absence from a board meeting, you must contact the board President within 48 hours of the meeting. Three unexcused absences is a violation of the by laws.

A.5. Dues Collection Invoicing

A.5.1. Mark suggests that we form a committee to research and make a proposal on how to move forward. Candice will chair the committee and the committee will make an recommendation to the board.

A.5.2. Jomo suggested that we hold a townhall about dues and other items.

A.6. Meeting Time

A.6.1. The question before the board is whether we should consider a weekday for meeting.

A.6.2. Diane suggested summer board meetings are mid-week.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion: Charity Dean Second: Yvonne Sanders

**IX. NEXT MEETING: Saturday, July 7, 2018 @ 19800 Grand River, 10 AM**