

**Grandmont Community Association**  
Grandmont: Detroit's Home of Good Neighbors  
P.O. Box 27790, Detroit, Michigan 48227

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**GRANDMONT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**DATE:** June 6, 2020      **TIME:** 10AM      **PLACE:** Virtual via Zoom  
**2020 Minutes**

**Attendance:**

Board Members:

In Attendance: Candice | Ed | Larissa | Krystal | Robert | Josh | Sean | Ottumn | Jomo

Not in attendance: Charity |

Community/Committee Members: Cora | Charlotte Wright | Samantha Bonaparte | Yvette Jenkins | Vanessa Washington | Diane Patterson | Minnie Davis | Justin Joslek | Mark Janusch | Jenise Collins | Sherita Smith (GRDC)

**I. CALL TO ORDER: 10:11am**

**II. CHANGES TO / ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: May 2020**

A. April minutes have not been transcribed yet. Will be available for review/approval at July meeting

**III. OFFICERS' REPORTS:**

**A. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

1. Papa's Pizza-and Grand River Express/Community Liquor Stores
  - a. Is a continual growing concern about the loitering and inappropriate behavior there. Drinking, urinating and defecating in the alley, litter, loud music, and congregating in general.
  - b. GCA is going to be sending a letter and individual community members will also be sending letters to the city.
  - c. This is an unresolved issue that has been going on for a couple of years. Law enforcement and city government have been informed.
2. Census -- Grandmont's census numbers aren't bad, but aren't great.

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**B. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

1. No report.

**C. TREASURER'S REPORT:**

1. Checking as of 5/30/20 is \$2,270.34
2. Savings as of 5/30/20 is \$6,367.78

**D. MEMBERSHIP REPORT:**

1. Report submitted
2. 11 new paid members
3. 158 residents who have paid (last year's total was 317)
4. Current total in Paypal: \$1,024.91
  - a. Suggested to move out of Paypal by Robert into Checking

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

**A. ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR:**

1. No report

**B. BEAUTIFICATION:**

1. Refresh for new planters has begun. Residents have been very helpful in volunteering to help tend to the planters.
2. VPTF received a grant for beautification. City does not do a good job cutting vacant lots and there were some thoughts from Diane about using some of the money for us to pay someone to cut those lots.
3. GRDC Beautification Grant -

**C. ENVIRONMENTAL/VACANT PROPERTY TASK FORCE:**

- 1.

**D. GRANDMONITOR:**

- 1.

**E. GRDC:**

1. Sherita Smith - GRDC has been focusing a lot of small business support and rental assistance.
2. GRDC Farmers Market has curbside pick-up and delivery.

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**F. RAMSAY PARK:**

1. Ed recently found out that Ramsay Park actually has a budget through the city from capital funding. Ed has been in contact with the city about getting some updates to the park through that budget.
2. Fence line was sprayed with Round-up

**G. RIPPLING HOPE:**

1. Report submitted
2. Volunteers will only be doing outside work.
- 3.

**H. SCHOLARSHIP:**

1. Report submitted
2. We do have one application from April.

**I. SAFETY/SECURITY:**

1. No report

**J. SOCIAL PLANNING:**

1. No report

**K. STREET & BLOCK CAPTAINS**

1. No report

**L. YOUTH AND EDUCATION:**

- 1.

**M. SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

**1. WEBSITE:**

**V. ACCEPTANCE OF ALL REPORTS**

- A. All reports accepted. Larissa motioned. Ed seconded. Unanimously accepted.

**VI. OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Continued concern raised regarding 13900 Longacre vacant property. Justin Neal is the owner. Expressed to resident that it is private property, he could do what he wanted with it, and if we didn't like it then we could move out of Detroit.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Reimbursement of pre-paid flowers for planters to Larissa.

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B. Jomo - Motion to have a slow roll bike/walk social distancing event on 8/1

1. Unanimously approved.

2. Starting at Ramsay Park.

C. Magic Cleaners on Grand River (Robert)

1. Rocks thrown through their front windows. Robert tried to contact them, but no contact has been made yet.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 11:46am. Larissa motion, Jomo seconded. Unanimously accepted.

**IX. NEXT MEETING: August 1, 2020 (No July meeting)**