

**CITY OF GRAND HAVEN
MUSICAL FOUNTAIN COMMITTEE**

REGULAR SESSION

Tuesday, March 14, 2023

Central Park Place

421 Columbus Ave.

Grand Haven, MI

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call:** Nicki Bonczyk, Andy Cawthon, Ivy DeWitt, Sarah Kallio, Stacie McClellan, Terry Stevens {call in}, Jerry Troke, Todd Brand.
Absent: Sally Creason

2. **Approval of the minutes February 14, 2023**

Motion by Andy, Second by Ivy. Carried unanimously.

3. New and General Business

A. CITY AND MAINTENANCE

A presentation by the committee to the City Council has been scheduled for April 17.

Todd will be responsible for pump seals and repairing cracks in the basin,
Plans continue to have spare parts on hand. Lights and various valves have been ordered.

B. TASK FORCE

Plans continue for April 22 Volunteer Day. A back up day for weather is set for April 29.

C. PRODUCTION

Nicki is working on the 2023 schedule. She is coordinating with the City calendar of concerts and special events.

A new softened two-minute announcement will be developed.

There was a discussion about developing new voice talent and develop more of a fountain persona. Andy made a motion to continue with Ryan for recorded announcements, Sarah seconded and it passed unanimously.

Six of seven operators are returning. There is a volunteer being considered for operator. Todd will explore his eligibility for the position.

Sound level testing continues as well as ideas to reduce sound for small audiences.

D. MARKETING

A discussion of how to better circulate the schedule for 2023 both online and to visitors. Andy and Sarah will explore electronic communications. It was decided to continue to distribute rack cards through M-Dot Welcome Centers, Convention and Visitors Bureau and local hotels.

A motion to invite Dave to the next meeting to explore the Grand Haven Beach Club's participation with the Fountain was made by Andy, seconded by Nicki and passed unanimously.

E. FINANCE

The Committee continues explore the best way to move our inventory of posters and how to proceed with the original art piece.

4. OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A discussion of the responsibility of Committee members, how the Friends of the MF and Committee interact and what items need committee approval.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 7:16 pm. The next meeting will be April 11, 2023 at Central Park Place.