



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

**MINUTES FOR
MUSICAL FOUNTAIN COMMITTEE
MEETING**

**CENTRAL PARK PLACE*
421 COLUMBUS AVE**

**WEDNESDAY, November 15, 2023
6:00 PM**

Committee members unable to attend are requested to contact Derek Gajdos, City Liaison, at dgajdos@grandhaven.org or 616-847-3493

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Terry Stevens
Jerry Troke
Andy Cawthon
Sarah Kalios
Sally Meyers
Nicki Bonczyk
Ivy DeWitt

Not Present:

Stancie McClellan

City Liaison Present:

Eric Law – Filling in for Derek Gajdos

GH Citizens Present:

Bob Monetza
Brad Boyink

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDAS

Motion to Approve: Andy

Second: Nicki

PASSES

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. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of minutes of meeting of October 15, 2023

B. Approval of Memorial Day Show Songs

- Semper Fidelis (John Philip Sousa) – instrumental and no lyrics
- America The Beautiful (As sung by Leslie Odom Jr.)
- Only in America (Brooks & Dunn)
- The Stars and Stripes Forever (John Phili Sousa) - instrumental and no lyrics
- This Land is Your Land (As sung by Sam Hunt)

C. Approval of Christmas in July 2.0 Songs

- Christmas (Baby Please Come Home) (Darlene Love)
- Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree (Brenda Lee)

D. Approval of New Wave Music Songs

- I Ran (So Far Away) (Folk of Seagulls)
- Love My Way (The Psychedelic Furs)
- Opportunities (Let's Make Lots of Money)
- Enjoy the Silence (Depeche Mode)
- Lovesong (The Cure)
- Don't You (Forget About Me) (Simple Minds)

E. Approval of Motown Music Songs

- My Girl (The Temptations)
- Stop! In the Name of Love (The Supremes)
- Signed, Sealed, Delivered (Stevie Wonder)
- I Can't Help Myself (Four Tops)
- Please, Mr. Postman (The Marvelettes)
- Think (Aretha Franklin)
- Dancing in the Streets (Martha Reeves and the Vandellas)

F. Approval of Broadway Music Songs

- Suddenly Seymour (Alan Menken - Little Shop of Horrors)
- One Day More (Claude-Michel Schonberg - Les Miserables)

G. Approval of 80s Headbangers and Ballads Songs

- Total Eclipse of the Heart (Bonnie Tyler)
- Don't Stop Believin' (Journey)
- Everybody Wants to Rule the World (Tears for Fears)

H. Approval of Michael Jackson Songs

- Black or White
- Blame It On the Boogie

I. Approval of Elton John Songs

- I'm Still Standing
- Crocodile Rock
- Goodbye Yellow Brick Road
- Philadelphia Freedom

- Don't Let the Sun Go Down On Me

J. Approval of Taylor Swift Songs

- Red
- Willow
- Love Story

K. Approval of Hispanic Heritage Festival Event Songs

- I Need to Know (Marc Anthony)
- Bailamos (Enriques Iglesias)
- Conga (Gloria Estefan)

L. Approval of Pride Festival Event Songs

- Believe (Cher)

6. NEW BUSINESS

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A. Discussion of Elements of Song Approval

- NOTE:** The Musical Fountain is a family-friendly attraction suitable for everyone. Songs that include offensive language, sexual content, hateful speech, violent references, drug references, or politics should not be included.

B. Consideration of Songs for Approval for which further discussion was requested.

- Apex Predator (Jeffrey Richmond - Mean Girls)
Motion to Approve: Nicki
Second: Andy
FAILS
- You Can't Stop the Beat (Marc Shaiman - Hairspray)
Motion to Approve: Nicki
Second: Andy
PASSES
- Billie Jean (Michael Jackson)
Motion to Approve: Nicki
Second: Andy
FAILS
- Call Me (Blondie)
Motion to Approve: Nicki
Second: Andy
FAILS
- Photograph (Def Leppard)
Motion to Approve: Nicki
Second: Andy
PASSES

- **Beat It (Michael Jackson)**
Motion to Approve: Nicki
Second: Andy
PASSES
- **Bad (Michael Jackson)**
Motion to Approve: Nicki
Second: Andy
PASSES
- **Cruel Summer (Taylor Swift)**
Motion to Approve: Nicki
Second: Andy
FAILS
- **Wildest Dreams (Taylor Swift)**
Motion to Approve: Nicki
Second: Andy
PASSES
- **Lover (Taylor Swift)**
Motion to Approve: Nicki
Second: Andy
PASSES
- **I'm Coming Out / Upside Down Remix (Diana Ross/Chris Cox)**
Motion to Approve: Nicki
Second: Andy
PASSES
- **We Are Family (Disco Fries/Reigns)**
Motion to Approve: Nicki
Second: Andy
PASSES
- **Born This Way (Lady Gaga)**
Motion to Approve: Nicki
Second: Andy
PASSES
- **Rocket Man (Elton John)**
Motion to Approve: Nicki
Second: Andy
PASSES

C. Consideration of Songs for Repealing Approval -- MOVING TO FUTURE MEETING

- Don't Stop Me Now (Queen)
- On the Floor (J-Lo & Pit Bull)

D. CITY AND MAINTENANCE ITEMS

- Tour Policy – no progress

- Grating replacement – no progress
- Address erosion under basin drain on east edge
- Rebuilding of pumps – contact made with Krum Pumps
- Unplug large pond drain line – still undone
- Shut off and drain water supply line – still undone
- Crack sealing of basin – still undone
- Upper speaker house doors lubed – no adjustment needed

E. TASK FORCE ITEMS

- Volunteer Day was canceled due to weather – will reschedule in the Spring

F. PRODUCTION ITEMS

- Licensing Update

G. MARKETING ITEMS

H. FINANCE ITEMS

- Review of current financial statements

7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- Request from City for input on July 4 Fireworks Show handling - Nicki and Jerry will work with Brad Boyink as a volunteer to draft this response, will present to committee at a later date
- Meeting with Fire Marshall about fire support during fireworks shows – Postponed until after Thanksgiving holiday

8. OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion of making Wednesday the official 2024 meeting date – approved by consensus.
- Andy is Term-Limiting out in June. We need one new committee member ASAP and will need one more in June.

10. NEXT MEETING DATE – December 13, 2023

11. ADJOURNMENT