

MINUTES
City of Geneva
Special Council Meeting
December 7, 2015

7:32 p.m.

Tim Miller opened the Council Meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Roll Call – Tim Miller, Susan Hagan, David W. Per Due, William Buskirk, Philip Cordova, Jessica Stamper, and John Wilt

Motion was made by David W. Per Due to approve the minutes of the November 23, 2015 Council Meeting, seconded by Susan Hagan. Roll call, 7 yeas. Motion passed.

Presentation – None.

Citizens – None

Items for Consideration of Council –

Mr. Buskirk stated his concern that the budget was passed at the last meeting under emergency; citizens should have time to comment on the budget. Mr. Buskirk further stated that he was uncomfortable with only three sitting members of Council having voted on the budget. Mr. Buskirk stated that he believed that Council acted in good faith; however, if there is not a reason to waive the rule, the budget should go through as many of the three readings as possible.

Mr. Buskirk requested that the three pay ordinances be a first reading in order to give citizens an opportunity to comment.

Ordinance No. 3179. An Ordinance Appointing the City Solicitor, Establishing the Compensation of the City Solicitor. First Reading.

Ordinance No. 3180. An Ordinance Establishing compensation for the Clerk of Council. First Reading.

Ordinance No. 3181. Amending the Compensation of Officers and Employees of the City of Geneva Effective January 1, 2016 Amending Chapter 250 of The Codified Ordinances, Repealing Ordinance No 3156. First Reading.

The pay ordinance includes a two percent (2%) increase. Veterans Day has been added as a holiday.

Resolution No. 3339. A Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of the Bid of Nerone & Sons, Inc. for the Elm Street Sewer Point Repairs, and declaring an emergency.

Motion by David W. Per Due, seconded by Philip Cordova to declare Resolution No. 3339 an emergency measure. Roll call, 7 yeas. Motion by David W. Per Due, seconded by Susan Hagan

that the rule of law requiring certain Resolutions be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Resolution No. 3339 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 7 yeas. Roll call on passage, 7 yeas. Resolution No. 3339 duly passed.

Resolution No. 3340. A Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of the Bid of Craig Susany Inc. for the North Ave. Bridge Replacement, and declaring an emergency.

Motion by David W. Per Due, seconded by Susan Hagan to declare Resolution No. 3340 an emergency measure. Roll call, 7 yeas. Motion by Susan Hagan, seconded by David W. Per Due that the rule of law requiring certain Resolutions be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Resolution No. 3340 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 7 yeas. Roll call on passage, 7 yeas. Resolution No. 3340 duly passed.

City Manager's Report -

Mr. Starkey thanked Gina Monahan and her students for painting the poinsettias for the downtown. The City has received a lot of compliments.

Mr. Starkey hopes to have drafts of the union contracts to Council for the next meeting. Mr. Starkey would like to go into executive session to discuss them. The City may need to request a special council meeting on the contracts, if they are not ready for next meeting.

There have been discussions with developer on the hotel in JEDD III. The City should have a signature in January. Discussions have been very encouraging.

Unfinished Business – None.

New Business –

Mr. Miller also thanked Ms. Monahan and her students as well as those that worked on the trees.

Payment of Bills – None.

Committee Reports –

Mr. Buskirk stated he would like to schedule the first Utility Committee Meeting for 6:00 p.m. before the first Council meeting in January.

Citizens –

Dale Arkenburg, Fire Chief informed Council that the Exhaust System for the fire bay has arrived. The Exhaust System was purchased with a \$50,000 federal grant which required a five percent match. The exhaust has been an ongoing workers comp issue. The turnout gear hangs in the fire bay and is affected by the exhaust.

The snow plowing equipment has been purchased to allow the City to clear the downtown sidewalks.

Mr. Miller congratulated John and Jessica as new council members and Phil and Susan as returning council members.

Susan Hagan made a motion to adjourn.

Council meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Recorded by: Phyllis Dunlap
Clerk of Council

President of Council

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