

**MINUTES**  
**City of Geneva**  
Council Meeting  
December 8, 2014  
7:00 p.m.

Jeff Piotrowski opened the Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call – Jeff Piotrowski, Tim Miller, Howard Anderson, Susan Hagan, Mike Shupska, William Buskirk, and David W. Per Due

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said and prayer was offered by Phyllis Dunlap, Clerk of Council.

Motion was made by Howard Anderson to approve the minutes of the November 24, 2014 Council Meeting and the December 2, 3 and 4, 2014 Special Council Meetings, seconded by Susan Hagan. Roll call, 7 yeas.

**Department Presentation** – None.

**Citizens** – None.

**Items for Consideration of Council** –

**Ordinance No. 3148.** An Ordinance to Amend the 2014 Budget through Appropriations and Fund Transfers, Attached Hereto and Marked Exhibit “A”, and Declaring an Emergency.

Motion by Tim Miller, seconded by Howard Anderson to declare Ordinance 3148 an emergency measure. Roll call, 5 yeas, 2 nays. Motion by Howard Anderson, seconded by Susan Hagan that the rule of law requiring certain Ordinances be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Ordinance 3148 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 5 yeas, 2 nays. Roll call on passage, 4 yeas, 3 nays. Ordinance No. 3148 duly passed.

**Ordinance No. 3149.** Making Appropriations for Current Expenses of the City of Geneva, State of Ohio, from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015, and declaring an emergency.

Motion by Howard Anderson, seconded by Tim Miller to declare Ordinance 3149 an emergency measure. Roll call, 4 yeas, 3 nays. Motion by Howard Anderson, seconded by Susan Hagan that the rule of law requiring certain Ordinances be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Ordinance 3149 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 4 yeas, 3 nays. First Reading.

**Ordinance No. 3150.** Amending the Compensation of Officers and Employees of the City of Geneva Effective January 1, 2015 Amending Chapter 250 of The Codified Ordinances, Repealing Ordinance No 3129, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Buskirk stated that as there will be a second reading on Ordinance 3149 there should be a second reading on items C, D, and E as these are usually passed together.

Mr. Piotrowski asked if Council wanted to table items C, D, and E. Mr. Piotrowski stated he would prefer to do the first reading. Mr. Buskirk agreed.

Short discussion was had regarding not passing the budget. No expenditures will be permitted after January 1<sup>st</sup> unless a budget is passed prior to the first of the year. Because the waiver did not pass, the

City will have to go to three readings. If the City does not get three readings in before the end of the year or pass it on an emergency basis, the City will not be able to operate beginning January 1, 2015.

Council decided to move forward with the reading of items C, D and E. If the budget does not pass, items C, D, and E will not take effect. Ms. Stuetzer stated the pay ordinances had been passed in November in prior years. The pay ordinances do not impact the budget. There will need to be some type of budget in place before January 1<sup>st</sup>.

Items C, D, and E could be passed but the City will not be able to pay anyone unless the budget passes. If the pay ordinances are passed, they would have to be included in whatever budget would pass. Mr. Buskirk requested a first reading.

**Ordinance No. 3150.** Amending the Compensation of Officers and Employees of the City of Geneva Effective January 1, 2015 Amending Chapter 250 of The Codified Ordinances, Repealing Ordinance No 3129. First Reading.

**Ordinance No. 3151.** An Ordinance Establishing the Compensation of the City Solicitor. First Reading.

**Ordinance No. 3152.** An Ordinance Establishing Compensation for Clerk of Council. First Reading.

**Ordinance No. 3153 .** An Ordinance Replacing Chapter 1043 Industrial Pretreatment. First Reading.

**Resolution No. 3306.** A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Ashtabula County Port Authority for Federal EPA Grant Funds, and declaring an emergency.

Motion by Howard Anderson, seconded by Tim Miller to declare Resolution 3306 an emergency measure. Roll call, 7 yeas. Motion by Susan Hagan, seconded by Tim Miller that the rule of law requiring certain Resolutions be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Resolution 3306 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 7 yeas. Roll call on passage, 7 yeas. Resolution No. 3306 duly passed.

Discussion was had regarding the votes for Ordinance 3148. Item A passed. The Clerk will check the vote on this Ordinance.

**City Manager's Report** – None.

**Unfinished Business** –

Mr. Per Due stated that it is difficult for him to attend the Geneva Route 534 CIC Board meetings as they are held in the middle of the work day. Ms. Hagan is the alternate. Ms. Hagan is still interested in serving on that Board.

Tim Miller made a motion to appoint Susan Hagan as the City Representative as the Geneva Route 534 CIC Board. Howard Anderson seconded the motion. 7 yeas. The motion passed.

Susan Hagan made a motion to appoint the Assistant City Manager as the Alternate City Representative to the 534 CIC Board. Tim Miller seconded the motion. 7 yeas. The motion passed.

Council can change these appointments at anytime.

There is a two year limit on serving on JEDD I and JEDD II. Mr. Pearson has served for two years on each of these boards.

Tim Miller made a motion to appoint the Assistant City Manager as the City Representative on the JEDD I Board. Susan Hagan seconded the motion. 7 yeas. The motion passed.

Tim Miller made a motion to appoint the Assistant City Manager as the City Representative on the JEDD II Board. Howard Anderson seconded the motion. 7 yeas. The motion passed.

**New Business** – None.

**Payment of Bills** – No objections.

**Committee Reports** –

Mr. Anderson stated the Finance Committee met and the minutes are included in the packet.

Mr. Miller reported the annual Fire Dependency Board meeting was held this evening. Mr. Buskirk and Mr. Miller are on that board. There are two new firefighters on the Board. There should only be one meeting per year unless there is a death on the force.

Mr. Per Due stated that Council sends its sympathies to Chris Cahill on the loss of his son.

**Citizens** – None.

David Per Due made a motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss Property Sale and Personnel – Appointment at 7:21 p.m. Susan Hagan seconded the motion. 7 yeas.

Susan Hagan made a motion to reconvene at 8:12 p.m. Tim Miller seconded the motion. 7 yeas.

The Finance Committee has recommended the budget.

Without a motion to declare an emergency and waiving of the rule, the budget will have to go to three readings and then it will be thirty days before it will take effect.

Council meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Recorded by: Phyllis Dunlap  
Clerk of Council

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