

MINUTES
City of Geneva
Council Meeting
July 25, 2016
7:00 p.m.

Tim Miller opened the Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call – Tim Miller, Susan Hagan, David W. Per Due, William Buskirk, Philip Cordova, Wm. Lucas McDaniel and Mario Butera

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

Motion was made by David W. Per Due to approve the Minutes of the July 11, 2016 Council Meeting, seconded by Mario Butera. Roll call, 6 yeas, 1 abstention. Motion passed.

Department Presentation – Administration – Douglas Starkey, Presenting

The Barn Quilt was dedicated at Art Day on Saturday. The Farmer's Market was open and the Downtown Sidewalk Sale was held. Gina Monahan is reinvigorating the mural on the side of the Community Center. The goal is have the mural completed by the end of August.

Livability Magazine voted our area the number one wine destination.

Events coming up include Dinner on Broadway August 15th and a Pep Rally on August 25th to be held at Memorial Field. The players and the band will be introduced at the Pep Rally.

Gary Hydinger and Tammy Shuttleworth continue to obtain easements for JEDD III. There are four remaining.

The AMI project came in at \$145,000 under budget. The Water Department with the help of one Firefighter kept some of the costs down by doing work in house.

The North Avenue Bridge guardrail is in place.

The North Broadway waterline project is wrapped up for the most part.

The field survey work is complete and CT Consultants is beginning to develop construction plans for the Elm Street Waterline. The City anticipates bidding the project in September. WSRLA meets in December. WSRLA's approval of the loan is the final step before construction can begin.

The Chip, Fog and Seal program will begin as soon as a contract is approved.

The sidewalk program should invest \$60,000; \$20,000 for City sidewalks and \$20,000 with \$20,000 in match for residential sidewalks.

Included in Council's agenda is approval of a snowplow to expand the City's snowplowing of City sidewalks beyond the Downtown.

The City anticipates additional funds will be needed to complete the salt building. The project will bid out before the City comes back to Council.

The Emergency Operation Plan has been updated. Three hard copies have been made. One copy is located in Mr. Starkey's office, one copy in Dispatch and one copy in the Fire Department. The document will be located on the City's Portal.

The City was informed at the Auditor's exit interview that the City had a clean audit. There were a couple of suggestions made.

Should the City receive more requests to participate in the sidewalk program than funds are available, City does have a list of were the worst sidewalks. The City could prioritize or come back to Council.

The sidewalk program can address trees based on the situation and the health of the tree. The sidewalk can be curved around the tree, the tree can be removed and the stump ground.

Citizens –

Dave Johnson, Grape Jamboree

Mr. Johnson requested permission to hold the 53rd Grape Jamboree September 24th and September 25th. Mr. Johnson requested the same streets be closed as in the past; Depot Road, Maiden Lane, North and South Broadway, East and West Main. The Jamboree Committee had previously used the grassy field at Eagle and Route 20 for the car show. The Jamboree Committee is requesting to move the car show to Memorial Field. New this year is a BMX stunt bicycle show in front of Northwest Bank.

Mr. Johnson met with Doug Starkey and Lauren Gardner regarding an Ordinance to control some of the vendors that come into town and use private property allowing them to avoid complying with health and safety inspections. The Committee is not concerned about garage sales; they are concerned about private commercial vendors. Ms. Gardner is reviewing some samples.

Private commercial vendors using private property do not have to pay for a vendor permit nor do they have to allow anyone to check to see if it is safe. The bungee jump ride on Route 20 last year had several frayed cables. The State was not aware of the ride. The Fire Department has the authority to not allow the ride to open. Because of the Fire Department's due diligence, the owner drove out from Cleveland to repair it, putting on new cables.

The Fire Department checks the rides; they start on Friday night with a formal inspection on Saturday. The State comes out and inspects on Saturday before the Jamboree opens.

The company providing rides at this year's Jamboree has done so for the past four years. The previous company was getting sloppy and so a change was made. This company has a good

reputation. The Jamboree Committee talked to other festivals and checked them out with the State before engaging them. The contract has to be renewed each year. The company is on trial every year to be sure they continue to perform well.

Philip Cordova made a motion to allow the Grape Jamboree Committee to use the Downtown for the Festival September 24 and September 25th. Susan Hagan seconded the motion. Roll call on passage. 7 yeas. The motion duly passed.

Items for Consideration of Council –

Ordinance No. 3193. An Ordinance Determining to Proceed with Improving the Following Streets by Supplying Street Lighting, and to Levy Assessments for Such Lighting, and declaring an emergency.

Motion by David W. Per Due to pass Ordinance 3193, seconded by Philip Cordova to declare Ordinance 3193 an emergency measure. Roll call, 7 yeas. Motion by Susan Hagan, seconded by Mario Butera that the rule of law requiring certain Ordinances be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Ordinance No. 3193 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 7 yeas. Roll call on passage, 7 yeas. Ordinance No. 3193 duly passed.

Ordinance No. 3194. An Ordinance to Amend the 2016 Budget Through Appropriations and Fund Transfers, and declaring an emergency.

Included in this appropriation are IT upgrades, the pick-up truck for the Street Department, and equipment for the sidewalk snow plowing.

Motion by Susan Hagan to pass Ordinance 3194, seconded by Philip Cordova to declare Ordinance 3194 an emergency measure. Roll call, 7 yeas. Motion by Susan Hagan, seconded by Wm. Lucas McDaniel that the rule of law requiring certain Ordinances be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Ordinance No. 3194 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 7 yeas. Roll call on passage, 7 yeas. Ordinance No. 3194 duly passed.

Ordinance No. 3195. An Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Apply For, Accept, and Enter Into a Cooperative Agreement for Construction of Booster Station Improvements Between the City Of Geneva and the Ohio Water Development Authority, and declaring an emergency.

The City had been authorized for \$245,000 to do this project. After review it was determined that a very low interest loan could assist with the carryover and assist with the financial demands on the water fund. The loan will be for \$245,000 at 2.53% for 15 years. If the City is authorized to apply, the loan will be reviewed next month.

Motion by Susan Hagan to pass Ordinance 3195, seconded by Mario Butera to declare Ordinance 3195 an emergency measure. Roll call, 7 yeas. Motion by Wm. Lucas McDaniel, seconded by Susan Hagan that the rule of law requiring certain Ordinances be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Ordinance No. 3195 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 7 yeas. Roll call on passage, 7 yeas. Ordinance No. 3195 duly passed.

Resolution No. 3364. A Resolution Designating the Public Depositories for Active and Interim Monies of the City Of Geneva, and declaring an emergency.

Every five years the City does a Request for Proposals for Depositories to be sure the rates we have are competitive.

Motion by Philip Cordova to pass Resolution 3364, seconded by Susan Hagan to declare Resolution 3364 an emergency measure. Roll call, 7 yeas. Motion by Susan Hagan, seconded by Wm. Lucas McDaniel that the rule of law requiring certain Resolutions be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Resolution No. 3364 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 7 yeas. Roll call on passage, 7 yeas. Resolution No. 3364 duly passed.

Resolution No. 3365. A Resolution Opposing the Proposed Rate Increase of Aqua Ohio, Inc., and declaring an emergency.

Aqua has made a request to PUCO to raise the bulk water rate 9.2%. Since 2010 Aqua has requested increases amounting to a 78% increase in bulk water rates. The County has passed a similar Resolution and is negotiating with the Aqua.

Motion by Wm. Lucas McDaniel to pass Resolution 3365, seconded by Mario Butera to declare Resolution 3365 an emergency measure. Roll call, 7 yeas. Motion by Wm. Lucas McDaniel, seconded by Philip Cordova that the rule of law requiring certain Resolutions be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Resolution No. 3365 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 7 yeas. Roll call on passage, 7 yeas. Resolution No. 3365 duly passed.

City Manager Report -

Mr. Starkey will be off on Friday and Monday, Shelly Huff will be Acting City Manager during his absence.

Unfinished Business –

The East Main repair being made by Dominion is of some concern. Mr. Bittner has been in contact with the Project Manager for Dominion and the on-site crew. The City is concerned with the backfilling, repair of the lane, and the condition they will leave it in. Mr. Bittner was out on Saturday or Sunday doing some work there for the residents.

New Business –

Mr. Butera will be getting the Service Committee together to discuss a change in the Council meeting times and hopefully will have something to present at the next meeting.

Payment of Bills – None.

Committee Reports –

Mr. Cordova was asked to fill in for Ms. Hagan, who had a prior engagement, to present a Proclamation for Seth Calhoun, an Eagle Scout with Troup 750, for his Eagle Scout project. Mr. Calhoun built the pavilion at Carrier Field. Mr. Calhoun did an unbelievable job.

Mr. Baker commented that only one out of the last five that aged out of the Troup made Eagle Scout.

In front of the concession stand is a sign that honors the donors that helped him with their generous donations.

Citizens –

Susan Hagan will be donating time to the Senior Center. People will be sponsoring the performance; however, Ms. Hagan's time is being donated.

Executive Session -

David W. Per Due made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Acquisition of Property. William Buskirk seconded the motion. Roll call on passage. 7 yeas. The motion duly passed at 7:44 p.m.

Susan Hagan made a motion reconvene at 8:04 p.m. David W. Per Due seconded the motion. Roll call on passage. 7 yeas. The motion duly passed.

Susan Hagan made a motion to adjourn.

Council meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Recorded by: Phyllis Dunlap
Clerk of Council

President of Council

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