

MINUTES
City of Geneva
Council Meeting
August 11, 2008
7:33 p.m.

Roll Call – Beckwith, Buskirk, Cordova, Ebersole, Fuller, Latimer, and Piotrowski.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said and prayer was offered by Reverend Robert Cunningham of the United Church.

Motion by Beckwith, seconded by Cordova to accept the minutes of the July 28th, 2008 Council Meeting.
Roll call, 6 yeas, 1 abstain - Ebersole.

Citizens – Citizens were present along with representatives from the Star Beacon and Gazette.

Department Presentation – Street – Tim Bittner

- Trees are being trimmed that may come in contact with buses before the school year begins.
- The Street Department is line stripping the streets and recently tried a new heat down line stripping process in a couple of areas that lasts 5 to 7 years.
- Mr. Bittner thanked Council for the new 4 wheel drive truck with plow and salt spreader which replaced a 1980 one ton 2 wheel drive dump truck.
- The Dura-Patch is now at the street garage. They are waiting for the tank to come in for the emulsion in order to begin road maintenance.
- Mr. Bittner talked to the contractors today and was informed that they did begin work on Eagle and Depot Streets. Once they are finished, they will move on to North Nearing and hope to be finished by the Grape Jamboree week end.

Rodger Fuller thanked Tim Bittner for the fine work he does at the Street Department.

Citizens

Greg Strnisa – 50 South Broadway, Geneva – Greg Strnisa asked which buildings were toured during the work session.

Jim Pearson explained that the two buildings are located west of the lot that Major True Value has. This is part of the Comprehensive Plan for additional parking down town and was looked at to see if it will be an option.

Items for Consideration of Council

Resolution 3064 was read, third reading. (A RESOLUTION APPROVING PUBLIC RECORDS POLICY).
Roll call on passage, 7 yeas. Resolution 3064 duly passed.

Resolution 3069 was read, first reading. (A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN PROPERTY TO BE SURPLUS PROPERTY, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO AUCTION SURPLUS PROPERTY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY).

Motion by Ebersole, seconded by Cordova to declare Resolution 3069 an emergency measure. Roll call, 7 yeas. Motion by Piotrowski, seconded by Beckwith that the rule of law requiring certain Resolutions be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Resolution 3069 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 7 yeas. Roll call on passage, 7 yeas. Resolution 3069 duly passed.

Resolution 3070 was read, first reading. (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO RETAIN ATTORNEY RICHARD DANA FOR THE PURPOSE OF LABOR NEGOTIATIONS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY).

Motion by Piotrowski, seconded by Latimer to declare Resolution 3070 an emergency measure. Roll call, 7 yeas. Motion by Ebersole, seconded by Buskirk that the rule of law requiring certain Resolutions be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Resolution 3070 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 7 yeas. Roll call on passage, 7 yeas. Resolution 3070 duly passed.

Resolution 3071 was read, first reading. (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SUB RECIPIENT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE ASHTABULA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE REPAVING CDBG GRANT PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY).

Motion by Beckwith, seconded by Buskirk to declare Resolution 3071 an emergency measure. Roll call, 7 yeas. Motion by Cordova, seconded by Piotrowski that the rule of law requiring certain Resolutions be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Resolution 3071 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 7 yeas. Roll call on passage, 7 yeas. Resolution 3071 duly passed.

Ordinance 2971 was read, first reading. (AN ORDINANCE DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH THE FOLLOWING STREETS BY SUPPLYING STREET LIGHTING, AND TO LEVY ASSESSMENTS FOR SUCH LIGHTING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY).

Motion by Ebersole, seconded by Buskirk to declare Ordinance 2971 an emergency measure. Roll call, 7 yeas. Motion by Cordova, seconded by Ebersole that the rule of law requiring certain Ordinances be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Ordinance 2971 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 7 yeas. Roll call on passage, 7 yeas. Ordinance 2971 duly passed.

City Manager's Report – Jim Pearson

- Mr. Pearson stated that he met with the VFW and FOE who are both very excited about the upcoming monument move. Both organizations will be coming back with a donation. Mr. Pearson will be meeting with Mr. Smolen to refine the original estimate on the move itself and have a report for Council at the next meeting.

Crystal Latimer asked what the original estimate was.

Jim Pearson replied that the estimate was \$120,000.00, but he feels that number will be refined substantially.

Rodger Fuller asked if it was possible to have a fund raiser during the Grape Jamboree for that money.

Mr. Pearson replied that is a possibility and stated that there is a lot of opportunity for organizations to participate with the City.

- Mr. Pearson stated that the annual County Awards are coming up in September and asked Council if they are interested in purchasing a table as they have in the past.

Council agreed to have Mr. Pearson proceed with the purchase of those tickets.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

Payment of Bills

No questions.

Citizens

Lowell Beaudoin - 160 Raymond Dr. - Lowell Beaudoin asked if a list is available of the streets that will be supplied street lighting mentioned in Ordinance 2971 and if Raymond Drive is involved.

Jim Pearson replied that all City streets that have street lights are involved. Mr. Pearson added that the list of streets will be provided for Mr. Beaudoin.

Committee Reports

Crystal Latimer announced that the next Shade Tree Commission Meeting will be held at the end of August. A training session will be given on how to measure, identify, and take inventory of the trees throughout the City.

Council meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Recorded by: Laurie Donatone
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