

MINUTES
City of Geneva
Council Meeting
February 9, 2009
7:30 p.m.

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

Buskirk absent.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said and prayer was offered by Father Melvin Rusnak of the Assumption Church.

Motion by Ebersole, seconded by Beckwith to accept the minutes of the January 26th, 2009 Council Meeting. Roll call, 6 years.

Citizens – Citizens were present along with a representative from the Star Beacon.

Department Presentation – Street – Tim Bittner

- 677 tons of salt has been used so far this winter at the cost of \$45,359.00.
- 520 man hours were spent putting salt on the roads, 230 hours hauling and loading snow, 45 hours washing trucks, and 64.5 hours plowing snow mounds.
- Numerous roads are in need of repair. The Street Department intends to access the damage in the spring and use the durapatch and asphalt box to begin patching.
- Mr. Bittner stated that a new roof is on the Street Department building now which took care of the leaks and also makes a big difference with how the building holds heat.

Phil Cordova asked what the Street Department figured out regarding the culvert on Chestnut Street. Tim Bittner explained that a corrugated pipe was placed in the culvert which should have been filled in with concrete, but instead was filled in with sand or stone. Over time this has washed out and caused the top to cave in. The City Engineer's Office will provide the name of a firm that will drill that culvert and fill it with concrete for temporary repair.

Mr. Bittner stated that the Street Department repaired a section of Centennial Street by digging it out, and putting fabric and grindings down to correct that area. They may have to pave it in the spring.

Mr. Bittner affirmed that Ansel Road is also in bad condition.

Rodger Fuller thanked Tim Bittner for his presentation.

Citizens - None

Items for Consideration of Council

Ordinance 2987 was read, third reading. (AN ORDINANCE REZONING 646 SOUTH BROADWAY).

Roll call on passage, 6 years. Ordinance 2987 duly passed.

Ordinance 2990 was read, first reading. (AN ORDINANCE CONSENTING TO NECESSARY REPAIRS AND CONSTRUCTION BY THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY).

Motion by Beckwith, seconded by Cordova to declare Ordinance 2990 an emergency measure. Roll call, 6 years. Motion by Ebersole, seconded by Piotrowski that the rule of law requiring certain Ordinances be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Ordinance 2990 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 6 years. Roll call on passage, 6 years. Ordinance 2990 duly passed.

Ordinance 2991 was read, first reading. (AN ORDINANCE NAMING THE BRIDGE AT AUSTIN ROAD AS THE "ROBERT SALISBURY BRIDGE").

Resolution 3086 was read, third reading. (A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE CITY OF GENEVA, OHIO).

Roll call on passage, 6 yeas. Ordinance 3086 duly passed.

Motion by Latimer, seconded by Piotrowski for Council to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel – Fact Finders Report. Roll Call, 6 yeas. Council adjourned to executive session at 7:40 p.m.

Council Member Bill Buskirk arrived at 7:41 p.m.

Council Member Bruce Beckwith left the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Motion by Latimer, seconded by Piotrowski to re-convene the February 9th, 2009 Council Meeting. Roll call, 6 yeas. The meeting re-convened at 9:35 p.m.

Resolution 3087 was read, first reading. (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE FACT FINDERS REPORT WITH THE OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION POLICE DISPATCH UNIT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY).

Motion by Ebersole, seconded by Cordova to declare Resolution 3087 an emergency measure. Roll call, 5 yeas, 1 nay - Buskirk. Motion by Piotrowski, seconded by Latimer that the rule of law requiring certain Resolutions be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Resolution 3087 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 5 yeas, 1 nay - Buskirk. Roll call on passage, 5 yeas, 1 nay - Buskirk. Resolution 3087 duly passed.

Resolution 3088 was read, first reading. (A RESOLUTION REJECTING THE FACT FINDERS REPORT WITH THE OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION POLICE DISPATCH UNIT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY).

Motion by Buskirk, seconded by Piotrowski to declare Resolution 3088 an emergency measure. Roll call, 6 yeas. Motion by Cordova, seconded by Ebersole that the rule of law requiring certain Resolutions be read at three separate meetings be waived and suspended and Resolution 3088 be placed on the final roll for passage. Roll call, 6 yeas. Roll call on passage, 5 nays, 1 yeah - Buskirk. Resolution 3088 duly failed.

Richard Dana thanked Council and affirmed that this was a difficult decision.

City Manager's Report – Jim Pearson

- Several million gallons of water have been flowing into the wastewater plant due to the huge snow melt and two pumps have failed which will be very expensive to replace.
- Mr. Pearson announced that Canine Unit Omar passed away this weekend. Omar was Officer Chris Cahill's dog.

Crystal Latimer asked if Officer Cahill will be getting another dog.

Chief Dudik explained that Omar was toward the end of his career and Officer Zetlaw's Canine Unit Zip has been used during this transitioning period. The Geneva Police Department has used one canine in the past. Chief Dudik stated that canines' are costly and are included in the contract. Chief Dudik suggested that the Safety Committee could meet to discuss this matter if they so desire.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business – None

Payment of Bills – No questions

Committee Reports - None

Citizens - None

Council meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Recorded by: Laurie Donatone
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