

GENEVA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES

Monday, June 6, 2022

City Hall Council Chambers
109 James St., Geneva, IL 60134

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Burns, Ald. Hruby, Ald. Kaven, Ald. Kilburg, Ald. Kosirog, Ald. Maladra, Ald. Mayer, Ald. Swanson

Elected Officials attending by video or teleconference: Ald. Marks

Others Present: City Admin. Dawkins, Asst. Admin. McCreedy, City Atty. Sandack, Clerk Kellick, Dir. Babica, Dep. Chief Frieders, Supt. Holton

Absent: Ald. Bruno, Ald. Burghart

1. Call to Order

Council member Brad Kosirog, serving as chair, called the meeting to order at 7:56 PM noting all council members except for Ald. Bruno and Ald. Burghart were present.

2. Recommend Suspending the Rules to Permit Council Member Kosirog to Chair this Meeting and to Vote on All Action Items on this Agenda

Moved by Ald. Swanson, seconded by Ald. Maladra.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote 7/0 with Kosirog abstaining and Bruno and Burghart absent.

3. Approve Committee of the Whole Minutes from May 16, 2022.

Moved by Ald. Mayer, seconded by Ald. Kaven.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote 8/0 with Bruno and Burghart absent.

4(a). Consider Draft Resolution Authorizing a First Amendment to Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Agreement with Riganato Old World Grille 700-720 E. State Street.

Moved by Ald. Kilburg, seconded by Ald. Swanson.

The owner of Riganato Old World Grille was present. Ald. Mayer asked why he could not get a waiver. The owner answered that one of the people he hired

was a customer. They began the work and after a certain point, but could not finish the work so he had to let them go. They were paid nearly the entire amount for the work done but have not returned to complete the job. On a question from Ald. Kilburg, Attny. Sandack stated that the contractor's sworn statement is an adequate substitute for a lien waiver. Additionally, he noted, the amount of money is not that terribly inconvenient.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote with 7 AYES, 1 NAY by Hruby, and Bruno and Burghart absent.

4(b). Consider Draft Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of a 2022 Jeep Wrangler Unlimited, Right Hand Drive with Associated Equipment and Installation Costs for \$55,856.47.

Moved by Ald. Mayer, seconded by Ald. Kaven.

On a question from Ald. Hruby, Depty. Chief Frieders explained that the factory makes a round of Jeep Wranglers for the public and then based on orders, they flip the entire build process so that the controls are on the right. There is high demand for vehicles in general and a lack of other manufacturers for this type of vehicle which limits options. There is currently technology available involving license plate readers which could be used with left-hand jeeps, but that is more expensive and intrusive than the tire chalking currently done. This jeep should last for 10-15 years. On a question from Ald. Kilburg, Depty. Chief Frieders noted that the current jeep is showing its age. He believes that the current jeep should get a good return when surplus.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote 8/0 with Bruno and Burghart absent.

4(c). Consider Authorizing the Execution of IDOT Forms BLR 14220 Resolution for Maintenance and BLR 14222 Estimate of Maintenance Costs Relating to the Use of Motor Fuel Tax.

Moved by Ald. Mayer, seconded by Ald. Hruby.

No discussion.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote 8/0 with Bruno and Burghart absent.

4(d). Consider Draft Resolution Waiving Competitive Bidding and Awarding FY 2023 & FY 2024 Electric Tree Trimming Contract to Lewis Tree Service.

Moved by Ald. Mayer, seconded by Ald. Maladra.

On a question from Ald. Swanson, Supt. Holton explained the process for competitive bidding and noted that during the past couple of bid openings, the City has struggled to get one or two bids. Ald. Swanson noted that there seems to be no reason to waive competitive bidding just because we may only get one bid. On a question from Ald. Kilburg, Supt. Holton noted that the tree trimming is on a four-year cycle, resulting in a learning curve with a new contractor. He stated that there have been no insurance claims with Lewis. Ald. Hruby stated that it is important to stick with the process and put the RFP out there as this is the proper protocol. Ald. Mayer noted that she would be comfortable waiving the bidding process since this is specialized work.

Roll call:

AYES: 2 (Kilburg, Mayer)

ABSENT: 2 (Bruno, Burghart)

NAYS: 6 (Hruby, Kaven, Kosirog, Maladra, Marks, Swanson)

MOTION NOT CARRIED

5. Public Comment / New Business

None.

6. Closed Session on Purchase or Lease of Real Property for the Use of the Public Body (5 ILCS 120/2©3) and the Operation of a Municipal Power Agency Relating to Purchase, Sale, or Delivery of Electricity (5 ILCS 120/2©23).

Moved by Ald. Kaven, seconded by Ald. Mayer.

Roll call:

AYES: 8 (Hruby, Kaven, Kilburg, Kosirog, Maladra, Marks, Mayer, Swanson).

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2 (Bruno, Burghart)

MOTION CARRIED

Return to Open Session

Moved by Ald. Kilburg, seconded by Ald. Kosirog.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously by voice vote of those present 8-0.

7. Adjournment

On a motion by Ald. Kosirog, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous voice vote at 9:31 PM.

- Submitted by Clerk Kellick