

CITY OF GENEVA COUNCIL MEETING

July 20, 2020

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CALL TO ORDER

The Geneva City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Kevin Burns.

Aldermen present: Mike Bruno, Becky Hruby, Gabriel Kaven, Dean Kilburg, Robert Swanson.

Aldermen and Clerk attending by video or teleconference: Tara Burghart, Craig Maladra, Richard Marks, Roger Godskesen.

Aldermen absent: Jeanne McGowan

Vacant Seat: 1 (Ward 2)

Also attending: City Atty. Ron Sandack, City Administrator Stephanie Dawkins, Economic Development Director Cathleen Tymoszenko, Community Development Director David DeGroot

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Tim Naylor

NEW BUSINESS /PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Burns commented on two Geneva residents who recently passed and asked for a moment of silence.

Tim Naylor, speaking for a group of homeowners on Westfield Court, described problems with sewage backups in several homes. Naylor reported there were multiple issues over the past two months, and in particular on May 15 and 17 as a result of heavy rains. Naylor stated he wished to bring to light the situation which has plagued homeowners in the area for the past decade. He showed videos and photographs, and related a history of flooding, and of the City's actions, which he felt were not adequate. Naylor closed with a request for action by the City to address these issues, including the need for back flow prevention systems for all affected homes until more testing and a long-term solution can be developed.

Mayor Burns stated that City staff will be coming back August 3, 2020 with a recommendation and invited the homeowners to return for the meeting then.

PUBLIC HEARINGS, SPECIAL ITEMS AND PRESENTATIONS

a. Public Hearing on Proposed Annexation of 00N849 and 00N859 Old Kirk Road, Geneva, Illinois.

Moved by Ald. Bruno, seconded by Ald. Swanson to open the public hearing.

Roll Call:

AYES: 8 (Ald. Bruno, Burghart, Hruby, Kaven, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, Swanson)

NAYS: 0

VACANT: 1 (Ward 2)

ABSENT: 1 (McGowan) MOTION CARRIED

City Administrator Dawkins reported that there were no public comments submitted and no one in the audience was waiting to speak.

Moved by Ald. Bruno, seconded by Ald. Swanson to close the public hearing.

Roll Call:

AYES: 8 (Ald. Bruno, Burghart, Hruba, Kaven, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, Swanson)

NAYS: 0

VACANT: 1 (Ward 2)

ABSENT: 1 (McGowan) MOTION CARRIED

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

None

OMNIBUS AGENDA

All Items listed on the Omnibus Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a council member so requests in which event the item will be removed from the Omnibus (Consent) Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

Moved by Ald. Bruno, seconded by Ald. Swanson to approve the Omnibus Agenda as presented.

Roll Call:

AYES: 8 (Ald. Bruno, Burghart, Hruba, Kaven, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, Swanson)

NAYS: 0

VACANT: 1 (Ward 2)

ABSENT: 1 (McGowan) MOTION CARRIED

Approve Minutes from the City Council Meeting on July 6, 2020 (Clerk recommends approval)

Moved by Ald. Bruno, seconded by Ald. Swanson to approve motion as presented. Approved by unanimous roll call vote with one absent and one vacancy. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

APPROVE REPORTS

- a. Tax Reports
- b. May 2020 Financials

Moved by Ald. Bruno, seconded by Ald. Swanson to approve motion as presented. Approved by unanimous roll call vote with one absent and one vacancy. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

None

OTHER ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE

None

MUNICIPAL BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

City of Geneva Expenditures - 7/20/2020	\$ 3,614,059.79
Manual Check(s) –	
Utility Billing Refund(s)	1,102.41
Misc. Refund(s) –	
Sales Tax Abatement	24,634.64
City of Geneva Payroll	691,212.10
Tri-Com Expenditures - 7/20/2020	24,955.65
Tri-Com Payroll	98,637.68
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 4,454,602.27</u>

Moved by Ald. Bruno, seconded by Ald. Kaven that the bills be approved, and payments prepared.

Roll Call:

AYES: 8 (Ald. Bruno, Burghart, Hruby, Kaven, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, Swanson)

NAYS: 0

VACANT: 1 (Ward 2)

ABSENT: 1 (McGowan) MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ITEMS OF BUSINESS

None

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES, PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND BID AWARDS

a. Consider Ordinance No. 2020-21 Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement by and among Kramer & Sons, LLC (owner), Margaret K. Bussey (Tenant), and the City of Geneva

Moved by Ald. Kaven, seconded by Ald. Hruby to approve the matter as presented.

Ald. Marks asked for clarification on tax abatements for the project, and Director Tymoszenko explained the abatement plan in detail. There being no further questions or comments, the matter was put to a vote:

Roll Call:

AYES: 9 (Ald. Bruno, Burghart, Hruby, Kaven, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, Swanson, Burns)

NAYS: 0

VACANT: 1 (Ward 2)

ABSENT: 1 (McGowan) MOTION CARRIED

b. Consider Ordinance No. 2020-22 Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Geneva.

Moved by Ald. Bruno, seconded by Ald. Swanson to approve the matter as presented.

Roll Call:

AYES: 9 (Ald. Bruno, Burghart, Hruby, Kaven, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, Swanson, Burns)

NAYS: 0

VACANT: 1 (Ward 2)

ABSENT: 1 (McGowan) MOTION CARRIED

c. Consider Ordinance No. 2020-23 Granting A Zoning Map Amendment from “F” and “F2” Farming Districts (unincorporated Kane County) to “I1” Light Industrial District Upon Annexation for 30 Acre Property Located East of Old Kirk Road Immediately South of the Union Pacific Railroad West Line.

Moved by Ald. Swanson, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve the matter as presented.

Roll Call:

AYES: 8 (Ald. Bruno, Burghart, Hruby, Kaven, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, Swanson)

NAYS: 0

VACANT: 1 (Ward 2)

ABSENT: 1 (McGowan) MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, moved by Ald. Bruno to adjourn the Geneva City Council meeting.

Roll Call:

AYES: 8 (Ald. Bruno, Burghart, Hruby, Kaven, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, Swanson)

NAYS: 0

VACANT: 1 (Ward 2)

ABSENT: 1 (McGowan) MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

City Clerk
Roger Godskesen