

CITY OF GENEVA COUNCIL MEETING

October 5, 2020

Visitors are welcome to all City meetings; however, pursuant to Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-43 limiting gatherings of no more than 50 persons (or 50% of room occupancy) and a requirement to wear a face covering in public places, physical attendance at public meetings may be limited or restricted. Meetings will be livestreamed for the public to provide the ability to contemporaneously hear all discussion, testimony and roll call votes of the open meeting in real time. Please visit the City website for details on how to watch the meeting live.

For more information please see the ["Notice Regarding Meeting and Public Comment Rule Due to COVID-19"](#)

Tonight's meeting will be conducted under Robert's Rules of Order. The Mayor or Chairman of the meeting will serve as the Parliamentarian. All Council members may at any time seek advice or counsel of the City Attorney as is deemed necessary to interpret, overrule and/or stay any actions by the Aldermen, Mayor or Chairman.

CALL TO ORDER

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

Aldermen present: Tara Burghart, Richard Marks, Jeanne McGowan, Gabriel Kaven, Dean Kilburg, Brad Kosirog, Robert Swanson.

Aldermen and Clerk attending by video or teleconference: Mike Bruno, Craig Maladra, Becky Hruby, Roger Godskesen.

Aldermen absent:

Also attending: City Atty. Ron Sandack, Finance Manager Rita Kruse, Community Development Director David DeGroot, Assistant City Administrator Ben McCready

NEW BUSINESS /PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Burns introduced Zoeie Kreiner and Sandy Benson, the founders of Support Over Stigma, which is an organization that provides PTSD Help for Active Duty Military, Veterans, First Responders and their families. Kreiner described the impacts of PTSD and of her organization's efforts to aid and support affected individuals, including packages and Christmas stockings for deployed service members. The organization website is www.supportoverstigma.org, and provides information about multiple ways the public can support this very noble cause.

Ald. Burghart introduced Mike Simon, owner of 220 S. 3rd Street. Simon requested an exception to parking regulations to include his property. The property residents had been receiving parking passes for the past 34 years, but a recent realization noted this address was not in the eligible area. A discussion followed resulting in consent to have city staff investigate an amendment to consider this and any other addresses which would fall into the parking area and bring it back to the council for consideration. A majority of the aldermen present spoke in favor and none voiced opposition.

Ald. McGowan noted "Oaktober", which is a month-long program promoting the value of oak trees to the environment and the City of Geneva.

PUBLIC HEARINGS, SPECIAL ITEMS AND PRESENTATIONS

a. Presentation on Geneva Police & Firefighters' Pensions Actuarial Reports

Mr. Franken from the actuarial firm Foster and Foster presented highlights of the annual review of the pension funds. Included were the current status of the funds, and how the upcoming state-mandated consolidation of funds could affect the process. A discussion followed with questions from Ald. Marks, Swanson, Burghart and Kilburg.

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. Marks, seconded by Ald. Swanson to approve the motion as presented.

Roll Call:

AYES: 10 (Ald. Bruno, Burghart, Hruby, Kaven, Kilburg, Kosirog, Maladra, Marks, McGowan, Swanson)

NAYS: 0 Motion Carried

Approve Minutes from the City Council Meeting on September 21, 2020. (Clerk recommends approval)

Moved by Ald. Marks, seconded by Ald. Swanson to approve the measure as presented. Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

APPROVE REPORTS

a. Financial Report Period Ended July 31, 2020

Moved by Ald. Marks, seconded by Ald. Swanson to approve the measure as presented. Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

None

OTHER ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE

None

MUNICIPAL BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

City of Geneva Expenditures - 10/05/2020	\$ 1,282,661.43
Manual Check(s) –	
Utility Billing Refund(s)	833.28
Misc. Refund(s) –	
Sales Tax Abatement –	
City of Geneva Payroll	701,731.57
Tri-Com Expenditures - 10/05/2020	174,611.88
Tri-Com Payroll	102,263.09
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 2,262,101.25</u>

Moved by Ald. Bruno, seconded by Ald. Kosirog to approve the bills as presented.

Roll Call:

AYES: 10 (Ald. Bruno, Burghart, Hruby, Kaven, Kilburg, Kosirog, Maladra, Marks, McGowan, Swanson)

NAYS: 0 Motion Carried

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ITEMS OF BUSINESS

***a. Approve Ordinance No. 2020-31 Amending Title 7 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 4 (Traffic Schedules); Schedule V (Speed Limits) Reducing the Speed Limit from 40MPH to 30MPH on Kaneville Road from Randall Road West to the City Limits.**

Moved by Ald. Marks, seconded by Ald. Swanson to approve the measure as presented.
Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

***b. Approve Resolution No. 2020-73 Authorizing Bid Award and Execution of a Contract with Schroeder and Schroeder, Inc. in an Amount Not to Exceed \$50,000.00 for 2020 Sidewalk and Curb Maintenance Project.**

Moved by Ald. Marks, seconded by Ald. Swanson to approve the measure as presented.
Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

***c. Approve Resolution No. 2020-74 Authorizing Bid Award and Execution of a Contract with Chicagoland Paving Contractors, Inc. in an Amount Not to Exceed \$300,000.00 for 2020 Pavement Maintenance Project.**

Moved by Ald. Marks, seconded by Ald. Swanson to approve the measure as presented.
Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES, PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND BID AWARDS

a. Consider Approval of Resolution No. 2020-75 Upholding the Recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission to Deny Variation Requests for 427 Fulton Street to Allow a Detached Garage in the Corner Street Yard and to Reduce the Required Corner Street Yard Setback from 20 Feet to 1.5 Feet.

Moved by Ald. Marks, seconded by Ald. Kosirog to approve the motion as presented.

Ald. Bruno recused himself and left the virtual meeting.

In response to questions from Ald. Kaven and Kosirog, Director DeGroot responded that the applicant has indicated he would resubmit a modified application for review, and regarding the assessed value of a mature oak tree on the site.

There being no further questions:

Roll Call:

AYES: 9 (Ald. Burghart, Hruby, Kaven, Kilburg, Kosirog, Maladra, Marks, McGowan, Swanson)

ABSTAIN: 1 (Ald. Bruno)

NAYS: 0 Motion Carried

Ald. Bruno rejoined the virtual meeting.

b. Consider Approval of Resolution No. 2020-76 Authorizing Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the County of Kane for CARES Act Funding.

Moved by Ald. Marks, seconded by Ald. Kosirog to approve the measure as presented.

Roll Call:

AYES: 10 (Ald. Bruno, Burghart, Hruby, Kaven, Kilburg, Kosirog, Maladra, Marks, McGowan, Swanson)

NAYS: 0 Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

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

Roll Call:

AYES: 10 (Ald. Bruno, Burghart, Hruby, Kaven, Kilburg, Kosirog, Maladra, Marks, McGowan, Swanson)

NAYS: 0 Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 PM.

City Clerk
Roger Godskesen