

**GENEVA CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**AUGUST 19, 2013**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The August 19, 2013 meeting of the Geneva City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall by Mayor Kevin Burns. Aldermen present: Chuck Brown, Mike Bruno, Don Cummings, Dorothy Flanagan, Dean Kilburg, Craig Maladra, Richard Marks, Tom Simonian, Ron Singer. Aldermen absent: Dawn Vogelsberg. Also attending: City Atty. Charles Radovich, City Administrator Mary McKittrick, Asst. City Administrator/Dir. of Administrative Services Stephanie Dawkins, Public Works Director Dan Dinges, Economic Development Director Ellen Divita, Community Development Director Dick Untch, Water & Sewer Division Superintendent Bob VanGyseghem.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Led by retiring Water Dept. Supervisor Randy Miller.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS, SPECIAL ITEMS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**Recognize Genevan Melanie Kohout – Rally Masters World Champion at 2013 All American Soap Box Derby**

Mayor Burns invited Melanie Kohout to step to the podium. Ms. Kohout introduced her family. The Mayor asked her about her experiences at the Soap Box Derby finals. He unveiled a street sign recognizing Ms. Kohout's achievement. She received a round of applause.

**Retirement Recognition for Randy Miller, 32-Year Water Div. Employee**

Mayor Burns invited Mr. Miller to come forward. On behalf of the City, the Mayor expressed appreciation for Mr. Miller's years of service and the respect held for him. Mr. Miller recognized his wife and city staff members present, then spoke about his 32 years with the City. He expressed his gratitude to the many city staff members with whom he worked over the years, as well as to his family. Mayor Burns presented Mr. Miller with a Certificate of Recognition. Ald. Flanagan told of how Mr. Miller helped when she first moved to Geneva required assistance when water seeped into the basement. Ald. Singer also talked of his positive relationship with Mr. Miller. Mr. Miller received a round of applause.

**Department Report Presentation: Public Works**

Supt. Bob VanGyseghem provided a presentation with visuals concerning the City's use of modern pipe-lining techniques, which allows for sanitary and sewer pipe repairs without having to excavate. He brought samples of PVC pipe used by the City, a robotic TV camera used to examine existing pipe, and a sample of the cured-in-place pipe-lining material being used by the City. He discussed the reason and purpose for pipe lining and how the lining process works. He also addressed the lateral connections leading to private structures and how they are dealt with. Several questions were asked as to the cost and efficiencies of pipe lining.

**OMNIBUS AGENDA**

All items listed on the Omnibus Agenda are considered to be routine by the Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Council member or citizen 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. Singer, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve the Omnibus Agenda as presented. Roll call:

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AYES: 9 (Ald. Brown, Bruno, Cummings, Flanagan, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, Simonian, Singer)

NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVE MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR MEETING HELD AUGUST 5, 2013**

Moved by Ald. Singer, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve motion as presented. Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVE REPORTS**

Moved by Ald. Singer, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve motion as presented. Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

**COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

Committee of the Whole August 26, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

**OTHER ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

Authorize Plan Commission Public Hearings on Amendmentsto City of Geneva Zoning Map, Geneva Downtown/Station Area Master Plan Pertaining to Properties at 102, 120, 132, 210 S. Bennett Street and 228 Crissey Avenue

Moved by Ald. Maladra, seconded by Ald. Singer to authorize Plan Commission public hearings on amendments to the City of Geneva Zoning Map and the Geneva Downtown/Station Area Master Plan pertaining to properties at 102, 120, 132, 210 S. Bennett St. and 228 Crissey Ave.

Dir. Untch explained that Mayor Burns, Ald. Maladra and Ald. Simonian, along with Community Development Dept. staff, have discussed with resident property owners two concerns in the area along the east shoreline of the Fox River south of the Mill Race Inn property. The residents are concerned about the maximum 45-ft. street setback zoning requirement that is applicable to the vacant lots as well as some of the recommendations shown in the Downtown/Station Area Master Plan, which call for row house and multifamily residential as a potential use for the vacant lots. He said that Staff recommends that public hearings be held by the Plan Commission regarding this matter.

Dr. John Keefer, 210 S. Bennett St., explained that he was asked by a potential neighbor to support a zoning variance so that the individual could build beyond the 45-ft. setback. Dr. Keefer said the individual felt the City was giving him a "hard time" and subsequently abandoned his efforts to build.

Mayor Burns interjected that Dr. Keefer's comments were better suited for a Plan Commission public hearing. Dr. Keefer concluded by saying that he felt that plans to build multi-family in that area is not compatible with the residential character of the location. He called for the City to drop plans in that respect. Ald. Maladra reiterated the Mayor's comments, saying tonight's action is simply to consider advancing the amending process through public hearings. Roll call:

AYES: 9 (Ald. Brown, Bruno, Cummings, Flanagan, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, Simonian, Singer)

NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Dir. Untch stated that the public hearings are tentatively scheduled for Sept. 26 or Oct. 10.

**MUNICIPAL BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

The following bills were presented for payment:

General Fund	\$66,030.20
Cultural Arts Fund	1,177.75
SPAC Fund	383.54
Tri-Com Fund	4,740.67
SSA #1	30,651.86
SSA #4	1,163.97
SSA #5	674.44
SSA #7	203.63
SSA #9	104.21
SSA #16	1,645.00
SSA #18	116.48
SSA #23	73.94
SSA #26	421.84
General Capital Projects	24,620.69
Infrastructure Capital Projects	1,250.00
Prairie Green	729.89
Electric	2,918,206.77
Water/Wastewater	69,748.26
Refuse	442.59
Cemetery	5,416.47
Commuter Parking	3,597.14
Group Dental	7,624.00
Workers Compensation	900.00
Total Funds	<u>\$3,139,923.34</u>

Moved by Ald. Brown, seconded by Ald. Flanagan that the bills be approved and vouchers prepared. Roll call:

AYES: 9 (Ald. Brown, Bruno, Cummings, Flanagan, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, Simonian, Singer)

NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

Approve Request by Zellmer Childhood Disease Foundation to Use Public Rights of Way September 28-29, 2013 for "Pumpkins for a Cure" Event

Mayor Burns noted that this and the following item were removed from the Omnibus Agenda because of Ald. Bruno's recusal at the Aug. 12 COW meeting. Mayor Burns noted that a recusal is necessary only when a voting member has a conflicting financial interest; otherwise, an abstention is appropriate.

Moved Ald. Cummings, seconded by Ald. Flanagan to approve the request by Zellmer Childhood Disease Foundation to use public rights of way Sept. 28-29, 2013 for the "Pumpkins for a Cure" event. Roll call:

AYES: 8 (Ald. Brown, Cummings, Flanagan, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, Simonian, Singer)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 1 (Ald. Bruno) MOTION CARRIED

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Approve Request by Zellmer Childhood Disease Foundation to Use Public Rights of Way, Street Closures and Police Services September 28, 2013 for “Trick or Trot” 10K Run

Moved by Ald. Cummings, seconded by Ald. Marks to approve the request by Zellmer Childhood Disease Foundation to use public rights of way, street closures and police services Sept. 28, 2013 for the “Trick or Trot” 10K run. Roll call:

AYES: 8 (Ald. Brown, Cummings, Flanagan, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, Simonian, Singer)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 1 (Ald. Bruno) MOTION CARRIED

Approve Request by Kiwanis Club to Use Public Rights of Way September 27-28, 2013 to Solicit “Peanut Day” Donations

Moved by Ald. Singer, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve motion as presented. Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

Approve Use of Public Property August 31, 2013 for Outdoor Music Pre-Folk Event

Moved by Ald. Singer, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve motion as presented. Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

Approve Request by Geneva Park District and Fox Valley Folklore Society for Use of City Parking Lot and Electric Service September 1-2, 2013 for “Fox Valley Folk Fest”

Moved by Ald. Singer, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve motion as presented. Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

Approve Request by Geneva Concours d’Elegance for Additional Street Closure and Tents August 25, 2013

Moved by Ald. Singer, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve motion as presented. Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

Approve Request by Cystic Fibrosis Foundation to Use Police Services September 7, 2013 for “Cycle for Life” Event

Moved by Ald. Singer, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve motion as presented. Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

Approve Special Event Liquor Licenses During Festival of the Vine September 6-8, 2013

Moved by Ald. Singer, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve motion as presented. Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

Approve Resolution 2013-81 Authorizing Bid Award and Execution of Labor Contract with Intren for 2013-14 Hamilton Street Overhead Wire Replacement Contract in the Amount of \$161,788.23

Moved by Ald. Singer, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve motion as presented. Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

Approve Resolution 2013-82 Awarding Bid and Contract to Kelso-Burnett Co. in the Amount of \$315,064.00 for Geneva Business Park Two Substation Relay Upgrade

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Moved by Ald. Singer, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve motion as presented.  
Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

Approve Resolution 2013-83 Rejecting All Bids for Fire Station #2 HVAC Replacement Project and Authorize Rebid Process

Moved by Ald. Singer, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve motion as presented.  
Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

Approve Authorization to Conduct Plan Commission Public Hearing on City-Initiated Text Amendment to Geneva Zoning Ordinance Related to the Definition of the Term "Family"

Moved by Ald. Singer, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve motion as presented.  
Approved by unanimous roll call vote. (Omnibus Agenda). MOTION CARRIED

**NEW BUSINESS**

No New Business was heard.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, moved by Ald. Marks, seconded by Ald. Simonian to adjourn the Geneva City Council meeting. Carried by voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

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Lynn P. Landberg, City Clerk