

## **CITY OF GENEVA COUNCIL MEETING**

**August 19, 2019**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The August 19, 2019 meeting of the Geneva City Council was called to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall by Mayor Kevin Burns.

Aldermen present: Mike Bruno, Tara Burghart, Michael Clements, Becky Hruby, Gabriel Kaven, Dean Kilburg, Jeanne McGowan, Richard Mark, Robert Swanson.

Attending by teleconference:

Aldermen absent: Craig Maladra

Also attending: City Atty. Ron Sandack, City Administrator Stephanie Dawkins, Assistant City Administrator Benjamin McCready, City Clerk Roger Godsken, Public Works Director Rich Babica, Economic Director Cathleen Tymoszenko, Electric Division Superintendent Hal Wright, Fire Chief Mike Antenore, Deputy Fire Chief Mark Einwich

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Led by Franco Bottalico and David Ord

Mayor Burns noted the closing of the Flagstone and Little Owl restaurant, first opened in 1923 and the longest-running restaurant in Geneva, and gave recognition to the Arbizzani family.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS, SPECIAL ITEMS AND PRESENTATIONS**

#### **a. Introduce Water/Wastewater Division Administrative Analyst Franco Bottalico**

Mayor Burns welcomed Franco and discussed his background, prior work experience and education.

#### **b. Introduce Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator David Ord**

Mayor Burns welcomed Ord and discussed his background and prior experience.

#### **c. Fire Department Presentation.**

Fire Chief Mike Antenore presented a detailed report on the departments' performance for the past year, plans for the future, some of the current and new challenges it faces, and how new technology can help to meet some of those challenges.

Antenore gave a report of response times for the past 5 years broken down by six zones of the city, adding various risk factors in the zones. Antenore noted how response times for 2018 compared to goals, and explained the particular challenges of some incidents. He described the criteria for certification, the goals for each and how the department performed against these goals. Issues noted included the fact that 85% of 911 calls are now placed from mobile phones, which adds time to the response compared to land-lines. Increased traffic, driver behavioral changes and street construction projects are also factors that affect response time.

Chief Antenore answered questions from Ald. Bruno, Hruby and Kilburg regarding upcoming construction projects, the greatest challenges faced in responding to calls, and the challenges of turnover among 911 operators.

### **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 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. McGowan, seconded by Ald. Swanson to approve the Omnibus Agenda as presented.

Roll Call:

AYES: 9 (Ald. Bruno, Burghart, Clements Hrubby, Kaven, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, McGowan, Swanson)

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 (Maladra) MOTION CARRIED

**Approve Minutes from the City Council Meeting on August 5, 201**

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

**APPROVE REPORTS**

Tax Reports

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

**COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

None

**OTHER ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**MUNICIPAL BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT 8/19/2019

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| GENERAL FUND                | \$ 4,231.40  |
| CULTURAL ARTS FUND          | 380.00       |
| TOURISM FUND                | 8,819.99     |
| RESTRICTED POLICE FINES     | 188.74       |
| TRI-COM FUND                | 13,951.03    |
| PEG                         | 814.25       |
| SSA # 1                     | 772.96       |
| GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECTS    | 388.00       |
| INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL PROJ | 730,272.73   |
| TIF # 3                     | 13,895.00    |
| CAPITAL EQUIPMENT           | 21,210.92    |
| PRAIRIE GREEN               | 37.26        |
| ELECTRIC                    | 2,679,084.91 |
| WATER/WASTEWATER            | 144,574.61   |
| REFUSE                      | 20.43        |
| CEMETERY                    | 1,500.00     |
| COMMUTER PARKING            | 3,062.16     |
| GROUP DENTAL                | 6,526.43     |
| WORKERS COMPENSATION        | 1,000.00     |

UTILITY REFUNDS

317.47

TOTAL FUNDS

\$ 3,721,048.29

Moved by Ald. Bruno, seconded by Ald. Hruby that the bills be approved, and vouchers prepared.

Roll Call:

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

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 (Maladra) MOTION CARRIED

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

**Recommend Approval of Festival of the Vine Special Event Liquor Licenses for the Geneva Chamber of Commerce, The Little Traveler, The Royal Wren, Fiora's, and Geneva Wine Cellars.**

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

**Recommend Approval of Ordinance No. 2019-18 Amending the Geneva Code of Ordinances Title 4, Chapter 2, Section 4-2-13 by Adding One Class C-3 Liquor License (The Beer Cellar at 204 W. State Street)**

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

**Recommend Resolution No. 2019-73A Authorizing Acceptance of 2019 Employee Benefit Plan Renewal Effective November 1, 2019.**

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

**Recommend Resolution No. 2019-74 Authorizing Contract with Sewer Tech LLC at a Cost of \$227,860 with up to \$22,140 in Change Orders for a Total Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$250,000.**

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

**PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES, PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND BID AWARDS**

**Recommend Approval of Resolution No. 2019-82 Ratifying Execution of a Contract with Traffic Control & Protection, Inc. to Install, Maintain and Remove MUTCD Compliant Detour Signage in an Amount Not to Exceed \$14,300. (South Street Culvert Repair Project)**

Moved by Ald. Marks, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve the resolution as presented.

City Administrator Dawkins gave an overview of the resolution, which was necessitated by the emergency street/bridge repairs on South Street. Ald. Kilburg asked how truck traffic would be detoured, which Director Babica described.

There being no further questions or comments, the matter was put to a vote.

Roll Call:

AYES: 9 (Ald. Bruno, Burghart, Clements Hraby, Kaven, Kilburg, Maladra, Marks, McGowan, Swanson)

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 (Maladra) MOTION CARRIED

**NEW BUSINESS /PUBLIC COMMENT**

Boy Scout Aiden, who was attending to work on his First-Class Scout rank, was invited to the podium and spoke about what he learned by attending the council meeting and some of his interests.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, moved by Ald. Marks to adjourn the Geneva City Council meeting. Carried unanimously by voice vote with one absence.

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM.

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Roger Godskesen, City Clerk