

CITY OF GENOA
City Council Meeting Minutes
September 16, 2008

Mayor Walker called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Sheahan, Pizano, Watson, Hansen and Vicary were present.

Mayor Walker led the Pledge to the Flag.

Guest speaker—none

Motion made by Alderman Hansen to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of September 2, 2008, seconded by Alderman Pizano. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Hansen, Vicary, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Sheahan, Pizano and Watson voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Sheahan to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of September 2008, seconded by Alderman Watson. Alderman Carroll asked about a license renewal, training and a methane gas repair. Alderman Wesner asked about the uniform service. This service provides replacement items. Roll call vote taken. Alderman Sheahan, Pizano, Watson, Hansen, Vicary, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE

David Glaum spoke on behalf of Genoa Main Street and their plans for the Harvest Moon Festival this weekend. Business owners are emptying their windows to display antique collections, there is a recipe collection activity, and a tractor run just to mention a few of the events.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrator Misurelli stated that the EDC met on September 4th in one of their roundtable forums. The topic was businesses “going green.” The next roundtable meeting will be in December. The Plan Commission meeting for September was cancelled, but there may be a meeting in October.

OLD BUSINESS—none

NEW BUSINESS

Mayoral appointment to the Economic Development Commission—Mayor Walker submitted Tammy Engel as a consideration for the vacancy on the Economic Development Commission. Motion made by Alderman Hansen to approve the appointment of Tammy Engel to the Economic Development Commission, seconded by Alderman Sheahan. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Hansen, Vicary, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Sheahan, Pizano and Watson voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayoral appointments to the Police Pension Board—Recently, the implementation of the Police Pension Board has been established. As part of that requirement, the Mayor is to appoint two members with the advice and consent of the City Council. The active police officers are to elect two members also. Mayor Walker submits for consideration Jim Wilson for a one-year term. Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve the appointment of Jim Wilson to a one-year term to the Police Pension Board, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote taken. Alderman Curley, Sheahan, Pizano, Watson, Hansen, Vicary, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried. Mayor Walker submits for consideration Mike Goelitz for a two-year term. Motion made by Alderman Watson to approve the appointment of Mike Goelitz to a two-year term to the Police Pension Board, seconded by Alderman Sheahan. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Watson, Hansen, Vicary, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Sheahan and Pizano voted yes. Motion carried.

An ordinance amending Title 3 of the Genoa Municipal Code-pertaining to an outdoor liquor license classification—Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve an ordinance amending Title 3 of the Genoa Municipal Code-pertaining to an outdoor liquor license classification, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Curley, Sheahan, Pizano, Watson, Hansen, Vicary, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

For the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous closed session, for the purpose of discussing pending, possible and/or probable litigation and for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline and/or performance of specific employees—Motion made by Alderman Wesner to go into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous closed session, for the purpose of discussing pending, possible and/or probable litigation and for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline and/or performance of specific employees, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Sheahan, Pizano, Watson, Hansen and Vicary voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion to reconvene to the regular session of the City Council meeting made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

The action taken in closed session was to accept the minutes of the closed session of August 19, 2008.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrator's report—Administrator Misurelli has investigated further the ability to take action under the City's nuisance provisions regarding the open basement foundations. He has conferred with the City Attorney and he will begin procedures to resolve this matter. The City has received a refund of approximately \$7,800 from the Census Bureau because we ran under the estimated costs. This further increases the anticipated income to derive from conducting the Special Census. We have been contacted by the County Emergency Services and Disaster Director to collect our information to possibly recover any costs as a result of the recent flooding. Director Gentile is working on this matter.

Public Works—Director Gentile reported that even though we have had a lot of rain, we did not receive any backup sewer calls. He and his department have been working diligently in the past years in preparation of preventing and minimizing flooding and backups. He was contacted by the contractor for the Pearson Drive and Route 23 intersection. The contractor is requesting some traffic to be routed through South Hadsall Street during times of construction when the intersection is closed during repairs. With the stringent time line for these repairs, the City may need to use this alternative route and will attempt to keep it under control.

Police Department—Chief Solar reports that things in Genoa have been quiet.

Mayor's report—At the next Committee of the Whole in September, we will be discussing S. Hadsall Street. Alderman Carroll said she has received complaints from the residents of S. Hadsall. Mayor Walker said in researching the previous and current Comprehensive Plans, the plan for this road has always been to have it continue. At the September meeting, residents are welcome to attend and voice their concerns and determine if the Council would entertain the notion to close the road. Residents are always welcome to attend any meeting and voice their opinions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS—none

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.