

CITY OF GENOA  
City Council Meeting Minutes  
February 16, 2010

Mayor Walker called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll call taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Sheahan, Watson, Hansen and Vicary were present. Alderman Pizano arrived at 6:32 p.m.

Mayor Walker led the Pledge to the Flag.

Guest speaker—none

Motion made by Alderman Watson to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of February 2, 2010, seconded by Alderman Hansen. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Watson, Hansen, Vicary, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Sheahan and Pizano voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Sheahan to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of February 2010, seconded by Alderman Hansen. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Sheahan, Pizano, Watson, Hansen, Vicary, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE—none

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrator Misurelli stated that the next Economic Development Commission roundtable meeting is Thursday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at noon and the next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 11<sup>th</sup>.

OLD BUSINESS—none

#### NEW BUSINESS

Agreement with GTE Corporation, groundwater protection ordinance amendment and memorandum of understanding with IEPA—Motion made by Alderman Hansen to approve an agreement with GTE Corporation, groundwater protection ordinance amendment and memorandum of understanding with IEPA, seconded by Alderman Sheahan. Mayor Walker said that this matter was discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting and at a previous Council meeting. Alderman Carroll questioned the urgency to consider this agreement. Administrator Misurelli explained that this has been a long process spanning many years and the remediation has been done for a while. They have continued additional sampling and reporting to the IEPA. They are at a point to complete the process. This property is going to be donated to the City.

Alderman Vicary had concerns about GTE being held responsible for any potential future legal issues if they were to sell their corporate assets. According to Attorney Slingerland, along with the sale of their assets, the new owner would assume any existing liabilities. This agreement includes the indemnification. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Hansen, Curley, Sheahan, Pizano and Watson voted yes. Alderman Wesner abstained. Aldermen Vicary and Carroll voted no. Motion carried.

Approve building demolition costs—This is part of the East Interceptor Project. Providing the demolition of this building reduces the costs significantly as opposed to underground boring. Motion made by Alderman Sheahan to approve the building demolition costs not to exceed \$10,000, seconded by Alderman Hansen. Alderman Carroll suggested this project should go out for bid; however, there is no requirement to do so. Mayor Walker commented that the demolition contractor has demonstrated their ability to perform at a reasonable cost. The bid process would hold up the East Interceptor Project and it could incur penalties with that contractor. This delay could also incur additional costs by forcing the underground boring instead of a demolition. The City will be working with the proposed demolition contractor which will add to the cost savings. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Sheahan, Pizano, Hansen, Vicary, Wesner and Curley voted yes. Alderman Watson abstained. Alderman Carroll voted no. Motion carried.

Approval to purchase radio equipment—Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the purchase of radio equipment not to exceed \$9,505, seconded by Alderman Curley. As explained by Chief Solar, there are two problems. A transmitter is no longer working and needs replacement and the ability to receive signals inside the Police Department is nil. Roll call vote taken. Alderman Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Sheahan, Pizano, Watson, Hansen and Vicary voted yes. Motion carried.

## CLOSED SESSION

A closed session was not held.

A resolution authorizing the execution of a lease agreement—Motion made by Alderman Sheahan to approve a resolution authorizing the execution of a lease agreement, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Sheahan, Pizano, Watson, Hansen, Vicary, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried. Administrator Misurelli said he expects the renter to be here by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

## DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrator's report—Administrator Misurelli reminded everyone that the Expo is coming up March 13<sup>th</sup>.

Public Works—Director Gentile had nothing to report.

Police Department—Chief Solar had nothing to report.

Mayor's report—Mayor Walker reminded everyone about the Chamber dinner and annual meeting. He and the Administrator are working on the salary renewal for the union contract and the budget. He will be having surgery next month and stated the Committee of the Whole meeting is next Monday.

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