

CITY OF GENOA
City Council Meeting Minutes
March 2, 2010

Mayor Walker called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll call taken. Alderman 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 Sheahan to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of February 16, 2010, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to accept the minutes of the special City Council meeting of February 22, 2010, seconded by Alderman Sheahan. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

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

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE—none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrator Misurelli reports that the EDC will meet at a roundtable meeting on Thursday, March 4th at noon and the Plan Commission will meet on Thursday, March 11th.

OLD BUSINESS—none

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Walker mentioned that the order of the items to be heard will be changed in order to accommodate the presence of individuals involved with the subject matter.

Audit proposal for 2010—Sikich has been the auditor for the City since 1999 and Finance Advisor Jepson recommends to continue retaining them at a cost not to exceed \$11,325.00. Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the audit proposal, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Sheahan, Pizano, Watson, Hansen and Vicary voted yes. Motion carried.

Consideration for an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Genoa, Genoa Township Park District and Genoa Main Street for a community mini-golf course—Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Genoa, Genoa Township Park District and Genoa Main Street for a community mini-golf course, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote taken. Alderman Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Sheahan, Pizano, Watson, Hansen and Vicary voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval for the Mayor to execute an agreement between the City of Genoa and IDOT for the Sycamore Street railway crossing—Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve the Mayor executing an agreement between the City of Genoa and IDOT for the Sycamore Street railway crossing, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Administrator Misurelli stated that this project is funded by the Federal government and the only obligation of the City is to paint the warning striping on the streets and maintain the street signs. A copy of this has been sent to the City Engineer for any possible interference with the interceptor project. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Curley, Sheahan, Pizano, Watson, Hansen, Vicary, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

A resolution granting permission to the Genoa Township Park District use of a municipal parking lot for a temporary beer garden—Motion made by Alderman Hansen to approve a resolution granting permission to the Genoa Township Park District use of a municipal parking lot for a temporary beer garden, seconded by Alderman Watson. The Park District did mail notices to the surrounding residents and they have not received any objections. Alderman Sheahan asked that the Park District does not allow alcohol at their locations, but are asking to host a beer garden. Park District Director Paul Bafia stated that although this is not the norm, they do allow certain exceptions. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Hansen, Vicary, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Pizano and Watson voted yes. Alderman Sheahan voted no. Motion carried.

An ordinance amending Title 4, Chapter 2, Section 5 of the Genoa Municipal Code-pertaining to garbage and recycling rates—Motion made by Alderman Hansen to approve an ordinance amending Title 4, Chapter 2, Section 5 of the Genoa Municipal Code-pertaining to garbage and recycling rates, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote taken. Alderman Hansen, Vicary, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Sheahan, Pizano and Watson voted yes. Motion carried.

An ordinance adopting the Annual Zoning Map for the City of Genoa—Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve an ordinance adopting the Annual Zoning Map for the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Curley, Sheahan, Pizano, Watson, Hansen, Vicary, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval of an amendment to the City of Genoa Personnel Policy—Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve an amendment to the City of Genoa Personnel Policy, seconded by Alderman Hansen. 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 collective bargaining and the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline and/or performance of specific employees

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

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

In the closed session the Council accepted the minutes of the January 19, 2010 and February 22, 2010 closed sessions.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrator's Report—Administrator Misurelli reported that a tenant for a portion of the upper level of the Municipal Center has moved in. A letter was sent to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity regarding the grant funds for Second Street. To date, we have not received an update on this project. Several Council members commended Administrator Misurelli in his efforts working on the Amtrak matter.

Public Works—Director Gentile commented that the interceptor project is scheduled to continue next week. The dewatering process is working well. Depending on the work schedule, road closings will be announced accordingly. Alderman Wesner commented on some recent sewer problems she has been experiencing and Director Gentile said that a portion of the lines have been televised and that information can be viewed. Further investigation of her lines are needed to evaluate the problem.

Police Department—Chief Solar had nothing to report at this time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Walker reminded everyone that the Expo is Saturday, March 13th from 10 to 4. He attended the Chamber Dinner and they have done a wonderful job in increasing membership and providing services to the businesses.

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