CITY OF GENOA
City Council Meeting Minutes
January 6, 2015

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:30 p.m., roll call taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hansen and Lang were present.

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to appoint Janis Tures Clerk ProTempore for tonight’s meeting, seconded by Alderman Watson. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge to the Flag.

Guest speaker—none

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of December 16, 2014, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hansen and Lang voted yes. Alderman Wesner abstained. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of December 2014, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE—none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported the EDC will be meeting Thursday January 8th at noon and the Plan Commission meeting for January 8th has been cancelled. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for February 12th.

OLD BUSINESS—none

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of an engineering service contract with Baxter & Woodman for blower replacement and Grant assistance:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to approve an engineering service contract with Baxter & Woodman for blower replacement and Grant assistance, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call
vote taken. Aldermen Watson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval of a Police Department camera system was removed from the agenda and will be placed on the January 26, 2015 Committee of the Whole agenda.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report—Consultant Misurelli reported the DCEDC Enterprise Zone application was submitted before the December 31, 2014 deadline. The document is 650 pages and includes 6 municipalities.

Public Works—Director Gentile had nothing to report this evening.

Police Department—Chief Lynch reported Officer Moravet’s last day was January 3, 2015 and background investigations are being run on the next set of applicants on the list.

Mayor’s report—Mayor Vicary reported copies of the resume for Dennis DiGuido have been distributed to all of the Alderman. Mr. DiGuido will be interviewed for the City Clerk position by Joe Misurelli and the Mayor. Alderman Watson asked if anyone had interest in the position. Mayor Vicary noted Dennis was the only one. Mayor Vicary stated Steven Haberkorn was in attendance and he is working with the Chamber on their new business guide. Mr. Haberkorn would like to interview any willing Alderman after the meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS—None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.
CITY OF GENOA
City Council Meeting Minutes
January 20, 2015

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:30 p.m., roll call taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hansen and Lang were present.

Motion made by Alderman Seisser to appoint Janis Tures Clerk ProTempore for tonight’s meeting, seconded by Alderman Watson. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary 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 January 6, 2015, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Watson, Hansen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson and Seisser voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of January 2015, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE—none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported the EDC will be meeting Thursday February 5th at noon and the next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 12th.

OLD BUSINESS—none

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of an updated Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights Ordinance:
Motion made by Alderman Hanson to approve an updated Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights Ordinance, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Hanson, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser and Watson voted yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION
For the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous closed session.
For the purpose of releasing closed session minutes.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes from the previous closed session and for the purpose of releasing closed session minutes,
seconded by Alderman Seisser. Alderman Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hanson, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

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

In the closed session, the City Council accepted the minutes of the December 16, 2014 closed session.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report—Consultant Misurelli reported a new business, The Trading Post, will be opening soon at 201 W Main Street. They will be specializing in antiques and vintage items.

Public Works—Director Gentile reported the generator will be started on Thursday. Alderman Curley asked when the work on Jackson St will begin. Director Gentile noted it will go out to bid in early spring with construction to start later in the spring.

Police Department—Chief Lynch absent

Mayor’s report—Mayor Vicary reported he and Consultant Misurelli met with Dennis DiGuido and the plan will be to appointment him for the City Clerk position at a Special City Council meeting on January 26, 2015 before the Committee of the Whole meeting. Mayor Vicary informed the Council that the SOARing group will give a presentation at the February Committee of the Whole meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS—Chamber will be holding their annual dinner on February 19th.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.
CITY OF GENOA
Special City Council Meeting Minutes
January 26, 2015

Mayor Vicary called the special meeting of the City Council to order at 6:31 p.m., roll call taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, and Lang were present. Alderman Hanson was absent.

Motion made by Alderman Watson to appoint Janis Tures Clerk ProTempore for tonight’s meeting, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to appoint Dennis DiGuido as City Clerk to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the existing term, seconded by Alderman Seisser. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary swore in Dennis DiGuido as the new City of Genoa City Clerk.

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson that the minutes of closed session meetings of the Genoa City Council, or parts thereof, be released for public inspection in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. The Minutes or parts thereof to be released are those which are set forth on the list which has previously been submitted to and reviewed by the members of the City Council, which list is before me now. Minutes to be released: 05/06/14 and 03/07/13. Minutes not to be released: 08/19/14, 04/01/14, 08/20/13, 03/19/13, 03/07/13, 03/29/10, 05/15/07, 05/16/06 and 02/07/06. Minutes to be released in part: 03/18/14 Of the eight paragraphs, withhold paragraphs four and five, 03/04/14 Of the ten paragraphs, withhold paragraphs six and seven, 01/28/13 Of the six paragraphs, withhold paragraphs four and five, 08/21/12 Of the seven paragraphs, withhold paragraph six, 08/07/12 Of the nine paragraphs, withhold paragraph six, 07/03/12 Of the nine paragraphs, withhold paragraph seven, 04/21/09 Of the fifteen paragraphs, withhold paragraphs six, nine and thirteen and 01/20/09 Of the seven paragraphs, withhold paragraph four. I further move that the City Clerk be requested to prepare the minutes or portions thereof as reflected on this list for public inspection as soon as possible. I further move that the minutes which are designated on this list as not to be released continue to be withheld from public inspection until such time as this City Council deems that the release of the minutes is authorized by the Open Meetings Act, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote taken. Alderman Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
CITY OF GENOA
City Council Meeting Minutes
February 3, 2015

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:30 p.m., roll call taken. Alderman Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hansen and Lang were present.

Mayor Vicary 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 January 20, 2015, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Watson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson and Seisser voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to accept the minutes of the special City Council meeting of January 26, 2015, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote taken. All voted yes except Alderman Hansen who abstained.

Motion made by Alderman Watson to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of January 2015, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Watson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson and Seisser voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported the EDC will be meeting Thursday, February 5th at noon. He anticipated the next Plan Commission meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 12th to be cancelled due to no new petitions.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS –

Approval of a camera system for Municipal Center:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to approve the purchase of a camera system for Municipal Center, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll Call vote taken. Aldermen Watson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson and Seisser 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.
Motion made by Alderman Curley to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes from the previous closed session and for the purpose of discussing pending, possible, and/or probable litigation, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote taken. Alderman Curley, Stevenson, Seissier, Watson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

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

In the closed session, the City Council accepted the minutes of the January 26, 2015 closed session.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported there will be preparation of a booth for the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce’s Home & Business Expo. It will be held at Genoa High School on Saturday, March 7th between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. He also advised there will be a business to business portion with hours being between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. Alderman Curley asked when the SOARING project would be presented. Consultant Misurelli advised that the intention is for the presentation to be done at the Committee of the Whole meeting on February 23rd.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported readings of somewhere between 14 and 16 inches of snow from the recent snow storm. There were no accidents reported and a negligible amount of complaints about road conditions. Alderman Lang asked whether other local communities have come to the city recently with requests for salt. Director Gentile responded that no recent requests have been made to the city. Alderman Curley asked when there would be a mass removal of the snow. Director Gentile informed they had already started removal and that Public Works had been running a twenty-four hour operation in response to the storm. Director Gentile explained the strategy utilized to clear the city streets of snow. Director Gentile reported successful use of the Emergency Operation Center. Alderman Wesner asked whether there was an ordinance in place to regulate the size of signs placed at the Y – intersection of Route 72 and West Main Street. Director Gentile will locate the specific ordinance for review at the next meeting. Director Gentile encouraged use of the spring newsletter or other media to remind citizens of sign restrictions and the requirement for approval to post. Alderman Wesner asked about obstruction caused by commercial trucks parked in the road in front of the Municipal Center and if a reminder could be given to the drivers to be mindful of the roadway. Director Gentile advised he would contact the business and request a memo be distributed to the drivers. Director Gentile gave the status on the flusher truck.

Police Department – Alderman Watson inquired if any complaints had been made about individuals at the skating rink. Chief Lynch advised that none had been made. Chief Lynch reported they are towards the end of the hiring process for a new officer. Chief Lynch hopes to introduce the individual to the City Council soon. Chief Lynch advised that an auxiliary officer has been working on ordinance violations at least eight hours a week. Improvements are being seen in areas of concern. Chief Lynch stated there have been inquiries from Kingston and two
other communities in DeKalb County who want to partner with the City of Genoa in the use of the administrative adjudication process. Each community would be responsible for the cost of the time they utilize.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary congratulated the Genoa-Kingston High School dance team for placing fifth overall at the Class A State Championship. Mayor Vicary offered his apologies as there was a miscommunication about the meeting time with the attorney attending closed session. Efforts will be made to reschedule a time for the attorney to attend in the near future.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – none

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion Carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.
CITY OF GENOA
City Council Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2015

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:30 p.m., roll call taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hansen and Lang were present.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge to the Flag.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Curley to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of January 20, 2015, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of February 2015, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE

Brian Lavender advised of a request to hold a fundraiser for the Genoa-Kingston Broncos youth football program on July 25, 2015. Mr. Lavender advised that the Genoa Park District recently approved their request for the event. The request for a temporary liquor license will be voted upon at a future meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported the EDC will be meeting Thursday, March 5th at noon and the next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 12th.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Adoption of a resolution for IDOT to approve the closing of Route 72 (Main Street) for Genoa Days Celebration/Carnival:

Motion made by Alderman Hansen to approve a resolution for IDOT to approve the closing of Route 72 (Main Street) for Genoa Days Celebration/Carnival, seconded by Alderman Watson. Justin Lee of the Genoa-Kingston Fire Department advised the City Council of a discrepancy with the dates agreed upon with Skinner Amusements. The agreed upon date will now be June 10-13, 2015. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Hansen, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser and Watson voted yes. Motion carried.
Adoption of a resolution authorizing use of the Municipal Parking Lot by the Genoa-Kingston Fire Department during Genoa Days Celebration/Carnival:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to approve a resolution authorizing use of the Municipal Parking Lot by the Genoa-Kingston Fire Department during Genoa Days Celebration/Carnival, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Aldermen Watson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson and Seisser voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of a resolution authorizing the execution of a contract with Teska and Associates for downtown redevelopment planning assistance:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve the execution of a contract with Teska and Associates for downtown redevelopment planning assistance, seconded by Alderman Hansen. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval for the purchase of an APG Neuros Turbo Blower for the Wastewater Treatment Plant’s aeration tank, not to exceed $123,114.00:
Motion made by Alderman Hansen to approve the purchase of an APG Neuros Turbo Blower for the Wastewater Treatment Plant’s aeration tank, not to exceed $123,114.00, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Aldermen Hansen, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser and Watson voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval of an Audit Proposal for 2015:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve an Audit Proposal for 2015, seconded by Alderman Watson. Aldermen Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley 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.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes from the previous closed session and for the purpose of discussing pending, possible and/or probable litigation, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hansen and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

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

In the closed session, the City Council accepted the minutes of the February 3, 2015 closed session.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that he would be attending an auction for the electric supply within the aggregation program on February 20, 2015. The one year contract
will expire in approximately June of this year. Consultant Misurelli plans to provide the results at the next City Council meeting.

Public Works – Director Gentile provided a handout in regards to an inquiry about the ordinance regulating the size of signs placed at the Y – intersection of Park Avenue and West Main Street. Director Gentile stated that two poles will be posted near the planting bed to designate the area for placement of signs.

Police Department – Chief Lynch had nothing to report this evening.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported to the City Council of the recent trip to Springfield, Illinois to meet with the Governor’s staff in regards to the AMTRAK proposal. Mayor Vicary was pleased with the efforts of everyone involved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Carroll announced the Genoa Rescue will be hosting a Chili supper on Saturday, February 21st.

Meeting to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:50 p.m., roll call taken. Aldermen Carroll, Stevenson, Seisser and Lang were present. Aldermen Wesner, Curley, Watson and Hansen were absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge to the Flag.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of February 17, 2015, seconded by Alderman Seisser. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Carroll, Stevenson, Seisser and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of February 2015, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Seisser, Lang and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported the EDC will be meeting Thursday, March 5th at noon and the next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 12th.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Adoption of a resolution approving a Class F liquor license and fundraising event for the G-K Broncos Football and Cheerleading organization:

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve a resolution approving a Class F liquor license and fundraising event for the G-K Broncos Football and Cheerleading organization, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Seisser, Lang and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an ordinance approving the updated Zoning Map:

Motion made by Alderman Seisser to approve adoption of an ordinance approving the updated Zoning Map, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Seisser, Lang, Carroll and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.
DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli had nothing to report this evening. Alderman Lang asked whether the new Zoning Map was available on the City’s website. Consultant Misurelli advised that the previous map is on the website and will be replaced with the updated version.

Public Works – Director Gentile had nothing to report this evening.

Police Department – Chief Lynch advised that testing for new police officers will be held on Saturday, March 7th at the middle school. Chief Lynch reported that there are 97 applicants. Chief Lynch also reported that the necessary files have been uploaded to the Illinois Comptroller’s Debt Recovery Program as requested. The City is expected to receive $12,796.00 from individual income tax returns for monies owed.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported the bill pay section of the City’s website is operational. Mayor Vicary reported over $300.00 worth of payments were received using the new service on the first day of operation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Carroll announced the Mouse Race will be held at the Genoa Veterans Home on Saturday, March 7th at 7 p.m. Alderman Stevenson made a reminder about the Genoa Home and Business Expo on Saturday, March 7th. Alderman Stevenson also announced that the ribbon-cutting for Cademon Brewing Co. is Thursday, March 5th at 5 p.m.

Meeting to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Carroll, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
CITY OF GENOA
City Council Meeting Minutes
March 17, 2015

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:35 p.m., roll call taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hansen and Lang were present.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge to the Flag.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of March 3, 2015, seconded by Alderman Seisser. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of March 2015, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE

Ms. Shannon Wilde of 416 Birch Avenue was in attendance to present additional information in regards to the anti-corruption advisory question that will be on the ballot for the April 7th election. Ms. Wilde advised that there would be two forum opportunities to learn more about the ballot questions. The League of Women Voters of DeKalb will hold a Candidate’s Forum on Thursday, March 19th at 6:30 p.m. at the DeKalb Municipal Building. Secondly, Represent.Us will host a forum Wednesday, March 25th at 6:00 p.m. at the Sycamore Public Library. Alderman Hansen expressed concern with the language of the advisory question concerning a tax rebate voucher. Ms. Wilde thanked Alderman Hansen for expressing his concern and advised that the reasoning is to encourage the average person to donate to the campaign best representing the individual’s views.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported the next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 9th and the next Economic Development Commission meeting will be Thursday, April 2nd at noon.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Approval for the use of City property by the St. Mary’s Catholic School for the 4th Annual Russell Hustle Trail Run:
Motion made by Alderman Hansen to approve the use of City property by the St. Mary’s Catholic School for the 4th Annual Russell Hustle Trail Run, seconded by Alderman Watson.
Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Hansen, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser and Watson voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported the results of the bidding process for electric aggregation thru NIGEAC. Consultant Misurelli reported that Direct Energy had been the supplier for the last three years with the most recent contract set to expire summer of 2015. Consultant Misurelli stated the best pricing was for a two year contract at 6.89 cents per kilowatt hour compared to the current 7.2 cents per kilowatt hour and that the new supplier would be Constellation New Energy. Forecasts predict ComEd rates to be between 7.5 to 8.0 cents per kilowatt hour. Consultant Misurelli advised that opt-out letters will be sent to all residents allowing them to choose to participate in the program. He also stated there will be an option for citizens to choose to receive 100% renewable energy, but the pricing structure will be higher than the agreed upon pricing. Consultant Misurelli advised that the information will be explained further in a letter that will go out mid-May. Per state law, there will also be opt-in letters mailed to residents not currently a part of the program. The supplier change is expected to take effect late July or early August. Alderman Lang asked if information mailed out in regards to this change would be sent on City letterhead. Consultant Misurelli stated that it would be sent by NIGEAC, but would contain the respective communities involved to avoid being overlooked by residents. Mayor Vicary advocated the use of social media to advise residents of the supplier change. Alderman Lang inquired whether the contract would allow the supplier to adjust their rates during the two year period. Consultant Misurelli advised that the supplier would not be able to do so within the two year period, but that if residents chose to do so, they could opt-out at any time. Alderman Lang asked how much ComEd is able to vary their rate every month. Consultant Misurelli advised there is nothing definitive, but that fluctuations between months are minimal.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that the new City banners would be hung on Friday.

Police Department – Chief Lynch reported the parts for the cameras have been ordered and installation will take place soon. Chief Lynch reported that the most recent hired position of a police officer will be the first full-time female officer for the department in over 17 years.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary had nothing to report this evening.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – none

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:30 p.m., roll call taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson and Lang were present. Alderman Hansen was absent.

Mayor Vicary 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 March 17, 2015, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of March 2015, seconded by Alderman Seisser. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Jake Wesner of 129 North Brown Street was in attendance to express concern regarding the possible approval of a police camera system. Mr. Wesner was concerned with the potential cost of the system and its use against an Outlaw biker clubhouse even though minimal complaints have been made. Mr. Wesner encouraged first the use of funds for a camera system on the individual officer.

Mr. Jerry Tewksbury of 10057 Cherry Valley Road was also in attendance to express concern for the possible approval of a police camera system. Mr. Tewksbury did not agree with the possible approval of the police camera system.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported the EDC meeting will be Thursday, May 7th at noon and the next Plan Commission meeting will be Thursday, April 9th at 7 p.m. The agenda for the Plan Commission meeting will consist of Preliminary and Final Plat of Resubdivision in Oak Creek Estates.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Authorization for the placement of a bike rack in the Riverbend subdivision park:
Motion made by Alderman Lang to authorize the placement of a bike rack in the Riverbend subdivision park, seconded by Alderman Seisser. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser and Watson voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of a resolution authorizing a car show event for the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve a resolution authorizing a car show event for the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of a resolution for IDOT approval to close Route 72 (Main Street) for the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce Car Show:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve a resolution for IDOT approval to close Route 72 (Main Street) for the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce Car Show, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of a resolution authorizing Farmers Market events for the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve a resolution authorizing Farmers Market events for the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of a resolution authorizing Movies on Main Street for the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce:
Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve a resolution authorizing Movies on Main Street for the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce, seconded by Alderman Seisser. Roll call vote taken. Alderman Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval of a Police Camera System:
Motion made by Alderman Seisser for the approval of a police camera system, seconded by Alderman Curley. After a lengthy discussion, it was agreed that more information is needed in order to make the best decision for the City. Motion made by Alderman Seisser for the withdrawal of the motion for the approval of a police camera system, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice Vote taken. All voted yes. Motion withdrawn.

Mr. Dan Payton, address unknown, asked what the reasoning was for wanting to use a camera system to target the Outlaw biker clubhouse. Chief Lynch explained that the history of the organization created a concern for potential risk.

Adoption of an ordinance amending Section 4-2-5 of the City of Genoa Municipal Code for the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois pertaining to garbage rates:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve an ordinance amending Section 4-2-5 of the City of Genoa Municipal Code for the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois pertaining to garbage rates, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an ordinance amending Title 8, Chapter 6, of the City of Genoa Municipal Code for the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois pertaining to Water & Sewer Utility Billing Rates: Motion made by Alderman Watson to approve an ordinance amending Title 8, Chapter 6, of the City of Genoa Municipal Code for the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois pertaining to Water & Sewer Utility Billing Rates, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Watson, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson and Seisser 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.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes from the previous closed session and for the purpose of discussing pending, possible and/or probable litigation, seconded by Alderman Curley. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

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

In the closed session, the City Council accepted the minutes of the February 17, 2015 closed session.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that COMED’s new electric rate would be approximately 8.1 cents per kilowatt hour compared to the 6.89 cents per kilowatt hour the City had recently secured thru NIGEAC.

Public Works – Director Gentile had nothing to report this evening. Alderman Wesner relayed positive feedback she had received from residents in regards to the City banners in the downtown area. Alderman Lang advised Director Gentile of a call she had received in regards to a sink hole nearest 908 North Oak Creek.

Police Department – Chief Lynch advised that he will be on leave April 11-20. In his absence, Sergeant Robert Smith will serve as Acting Chief of Police. Alderman Stevenson requested from the Chief a full inventory of the cameras utilized by the police department and cost breakdown of outfitting officers with cameras before the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary had nothing to report this evening.
ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Seisser announced a Spaghetti Supper at Trinity Lutheran on April 18th from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Proceeds from the event will go towards the preschool and The Comfort Dog.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
A public hearing on the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016—Mayor Vicary called the public hearing to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll call of the Aldermen was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Hansen and Lang were present. Aldermen Seisser and Watson were absent. There were no comments from the public or the Aldermen. Mayor Vicary closed the public hearing at 6:32 p.m.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:32 p.m. Roll call taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Hansen and Lang were present. Alderman Seisser and Watson were absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge to the Flag.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of April 6, 2015, seconded by Alderman Hansen. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley Stevenson, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Alderman Hansen abstained. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of April 2015, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that from the last Plan Commission meeting held on April 9th, there is an approval requested for the preliminary and final plat of the Dunn Re-Subdivision. The next Plan Commission meeting will be May 14th. The next meeting for the Economic Development Commission is May 7th at noon.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Adoption of an Ordinance adopting the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016 for the City of Genoa:

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve an Ordinance adopting the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016 for the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Consultant Misurelli noted the City’s 9th year being awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. Consultant Misurelli advised about efforts.
within the budget being directed towards the update of the City’s website and development of a promotional video about the City. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Hansen and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance amending the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2014 and ending April 30, 2015 for the City of Genoa:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve an Ordinance amending the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2014 and ending April 30, 2015, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Hansen and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval of the Preliminary and Final Plat of the Dunn Re-Subdivision:
Motion made by Alderman Hansen to approve the Preliminary and Final Plat of the Dunn Re-Subdivision, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote taken. Aldermen Hansen, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval of sidewalk repairs and parkway tree improvements:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve sidewalk repairs and parkway tree improvements, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote taken. Alderman Stevenson, Hansen, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

For the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous closed session. 
For the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline, and/or performance of specific employees.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes from the previous closed session and for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline, and/or performance of specific employees seconded by Alderman Curley. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Seisser, Watson and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

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

In the closed session, the City Council accepted the minutes of the April 6, 2015 closed session.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported receiving a letter from the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity in regards to the Enterprise Zone application. The letter advised that the Governor of Illinois has appointed 3 members to a committee to make a decision on the applications. There are 66 applicants with 49 spots available. He expects their decision to be made by the end of summer 2015. Consultant Misurelli reported that the owners of the Prairie Ridge Point shopping center have sold space to a potential gymnastic training facility. There
have also been negotiations to have a learning center as well as other potential uses to fill this location. Alderman Curley asked about the former Café 72. Consultant Misurelli advised that a party appeared to have signed a lease for the location and is making improvements with the building. It will also be a restaurant, but no specific timetable had been given on its opening.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that final electrical work was done on the generator to bring on the cooling system.

Police Department – Chief Lynch reported that the Police and Fire Commission recently met and set dates for the oral interviews for the officers. There are approximately 40 people who will be interviewed to establish the eligibility roster. Chief Lynch reported that with the recent disaster in Fairdale, the police department had been volunteering personnel to assist. He was impressed with the initiative taken by the full-time officers to assist in any way possible. Chief Lynch forecasts that there could be a reimbursement for the man hours provided to Fairdale.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported that negotiations were made with 84 Lumber’s corporate office to utilize the old Genoa location for temporary storage of the items donated to the victims of the Fairdale tornado. Mayor Vicary commended Moscato’s Pizza for providing food and beverages to aid in relief efforts in Fairdale. Mayor Vicary hopes to provide more information in the next meeting about the promotional video highlighting the City. Mayor Vicary completed his report by expressing thanks to the outgoing Alderman Hansen and Alderman Seisser for their efforts as Aldermen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Hansen announced that the Genoa- Kingston Jazz Band will have their Jazz dance on Saturday night at the middle school. The entrance fee for the dance is $7 or $15 for a meal to be provided as well. He reported that in the prior week, they had received highest marks in a recent competition. Mayor Vicary encouraged Alderman Hansen to have members of the Genoa-Kingston Jazz Band attend a City Council meeting so that they can be recognized.

Director Gentile reported that the Arbor Day celebration would be held at Central Park in the Riverbend subdivision at 4:30 p.m. with the planting of a new tree.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
CITY OF GENOA
City Council Meeting Minutes
May 5, 2015

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta and Lang were present. Alderman Brust was absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge to the Flag.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of April 21, 2015, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Aldermen Watson and Cravatta abstained. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of April 2015, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call was vote taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Alderman Cravatta abstained. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the next Economic Development Commission meeting scheduled for May 7th had been cancelled. The next meeting is scheduled for June 4th at noon. The Plan Commission meeting for May 14th will be cancelled, but there is an upcoming petition that should be presented to the Commission by the July meeting.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of a temporary use for community-wide garage sales at Home Town Storage in Prairie Ridge Pointe:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson for the approval of a temporary use for community-wide garage sales at Home Town Storage in Prairie Ridge Pointe, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval of an engineering services agreement with Baxter & Woodman for All Hazard GIS Mapping:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve an engineering services agreement with Baxter & Woodman for All Hazard GIS Mapping, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Consideration and presentation of a draft portion of a Community Promotional Video as part of the website upgrading:
Alyssa Seguss, the City’s Communication intern, presented the working draft of the promotional video to the Council. Motion made by Alderman Watson to approve the video project, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of a Resolution approving signatories:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to adopt a resolution approving signatories, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that the new electric aggregation company, Constellation Energy, mailed out opt-in/opt-out letters yesterday to residents and small businesses.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported plans to start work on the sidewalks and trees have been delayed due to the unavailability of the original contractor. He plans to find a new contractor, but hopes to have the work done before Genoa Days. Director Gentile passed out a copy of an email received from the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation approving a grant of up to $34,992 to the City of Genoa for the WWTP Blower Replacement. The Foundation received more requests than could be fulfilled, but they were impressed with the proposal and aspects of the project.

Police Department – Acting Chief Smith reported that the transition as Chief is going well and everyone has been real helpful. He also reported a recent order of equipment.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary had nothing further to report. Consultant Misurelli took the opportunity to report that Teska Associates is underway in their field work to compile the necessary information for the development of the TIF district.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Watson announced that Bill Braksick was inducted into the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
CITY OF GENOA
City Council Meeting Minutes
May 19, 2015

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta and Brust were present. Alderman Carroll and Lang were absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of May 5, 2015, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of May 2015, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for June 4th at noon. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for June 11th. There is an upcoming petition that should be presented to the Commission by the July meeting.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

A Proclamation recognizing Bill Braksick for his induction to the Basketball Hall of Fame:
Mayor Vicary read the proclamation declaring May 19, 2015 as Bill Braksick Day and presented it to Mr. Braksick. Mr. Braksick thanked the City Council for their recognition.

A Proclamation declaring May “Motorcycle Awareness Month”:
Mayor Vicary read the proclamation declaring May “Motorcycle Awareness Month”.

Adoption of a Resolution for IDOT approval to close Route 72 (Main Street) for the Memorial Day Parade:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to adopt a resolution for IDOT approval to close Route 72 (Main Street) for the Memorial Day Parade, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Wesner and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.
Adoption of an Ordinance authorizing a beer garden event at the Genoa Vets Home on June 6, 2015:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt an Ordinance authorizing a beer garden event at the Genoa Vets Home on June 6, 2015, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance authorizing a beer garden event at the Genoa Vets Home on June 13, 2015:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to adopt an Ordinance authorizing a beer garden event at the Genoa Vets Home on June 13, 2015, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Wesner and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval of the Jackson Street Improvement Project to the lowest bidder:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson for the approval of the Jackson Street Improvement Project to the lowest bidder, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Wesner and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance increasing the base hourly wage rate for all full-time employees and part-time employees for the City of Genoa effective May 1, 2015 and continuing through April 30, 2016:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to adopt an Ordinance increasing the base hourly wage rate for all full-time and part-time employees for the City of Genoa effective May 1, 2015 and continuing through April 30, 2016, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Wesner, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance approving a 7:00 p.m. City Council and Committee of the Whole start time:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to adopt an Ordinance approving a 7:00 p.m. City Council and Committee of the Whole start time, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli and the Finance Office Manager have reviewed the entire personnel policy and are making the necessary enhancements. They are now working to create a Personnel Manual with policies incorporating the modern work environment. Consultant Misurelli made mention of the upcoming Mayors’ Memorial Day Breakfast and requested all those wishing to attend speak with the Finance Office Manager. He also mentioned the upcoming IML “Newly Elected Officials” workshops.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported landscape work will be done to accommodate the new City sign. The secondary location for the City logo will be near the Public Works building. Director Gentile advised of ideas to utilize a message center near the Y-intersection of West Main Street. He expressed concern with the pole and hopes negotiations with IDOT can have it moved. Director Gentile informed the City Council of discussions currently between the Chamber of Commerce and the Lions Club in regards to the location of the kiosk and eye glasses
collection box. The flowers and summer banners will soon be hung downtown and the concrete work is back on schedule.

Police Department – Acting Chief Smith reported that the K-9, Kane, was injured last week and broke a couple of toes in his back foot. Kane will be off-duty for the next four weeks for recovery. Acting Chief Smith advised that he will be looking to delegate off-hour concerns to be directed by the CodeRED system opposed to the Police Department. Acting Chief Smith has a dedicated officer working City Ordinance violations. He also advised that recoupment has been received for fines previously issued, but never paid through the individual’s tax return. Estimated total recoupment so far is nearly $1,100. Officer Gates has been voted the President of her training class and is expected to graduate June 19th.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary suggested the Committee of the Whole Meeting for May be cancelled, there were no objections. Custom Aluminum will have a presentation for their completed City sign and he encouraged members of the City Council to attend.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – none

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
CITY OF GENOA  
City Council Meeting Minutes  
June 2, 2015

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta and Lang were present. Alderman Brust was absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Watson to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of May 19, 2015, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of May 2015, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for June 4th at noon. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for June 11th, but is expected to be canceled. There is an upcoming petition that should be presented to the Commission by the July meeting.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of the Genoa-Kingston Fire Protection District Water Fights:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner for the approval of the Genoa-Kingston Fire Protection District Water Fights, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

Genoa Soaring Presentation for a September Event at Citizen’s/ Carroll Park:
Carolyn Tobinson, Brian Wallace, and Bonnie Hanson were pleased to announce the recent incorporation of the Kishwaukee Valley Wanderers. They will operate as a non-profit organization that will be involved with the coordination of Volksmarches. The first Volksmarch is set for September 12th. There will be four routes, two for 10K and two for 5K. The urban route will provide an opportunity to visit local businesses. The rural route will be through the City’s new path out to Riverbend and into Russell Woods. Brian Wallace proposed plans to expand on
the day's events with a Craft Beverage Festival early in the afternoon and then allow the Lion's Club to host their Oktoberfest in the evening. Their plan is to incorporate these events with the annual Great Genoa Duck Race, held on Sunday, to make a weekend full of events. After a lengthy discussion, there was no objection in allowing the group to continue with planning for the event.

Approval to purchase a new Brush Chipper:
Motion made by Alderman Curley for the approval of a new Brush Chipper, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval to purchase a replacement Breathalyzer:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson for the approval of a replacement Breathalyzer, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

For the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous closed session.
For the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline, and/or performance of specific employees.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes from the previous closed session and for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline, and/or performance of specific employees seconded by Alderman Wesner. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

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

In the closed session, the City Council accepted the minutes of the April 21, 2015 closed session.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reiterated on recently attending a DeKalb County Economic Development Corporation meeting along with Mayor Vicary the prior Thursday. The focus of the meeting was on local businesses: Cademon Brewing Co. and Prairie State Winery.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported the concrete work is finishing up downtown. He also reported on progress with the City signs, Central Park bike pad, tree planting, & planters for downtown. Mayor Vicary asked about the directions for the floats in the upcoming Genoa Days parade. Director Gentile reported no change in the normal starting location of Central Avenue and Koch Drive.
Police Department – Acting Chief Smith reported that the Police Department is preparing for Genoa Days in conjunction with the Fire Department. He also reported quotes are being collected to possibly purchase an additional vehicle. Alderman Watson acknowledged the use of significant case and events in the police report. Acting Chief Smith highlighted the expansion of services provided by the CodeRed. Alderman Lang encouraged the use of a link on the City's website to direct individuals to sign up for CodeRed.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary was pleased with the turnout for the Memorial Day ceremony. He also reported on attending the DeKalb County Economic Development Corporation meeting and giving a report on the latest events with the Amtrak route. Mayor Vicary and Director Gentile attended the graduation event for the high school students working with Custom Aluminum Products to develop the City signs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Watson was pleased with the Memorial Day events and commended the Mayor on his speech.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. Alderman Stevenson was absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Watson to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of June 2, 2015, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of June 2015, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for July 2nd at noon. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for July 9th.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Adoption of a Resolution approving a one day liquor license and fund raising event for September 11, 2015 for the Kishwaukee Valley Wanderers:
Mayor Vicary reported that at the present time there was no need to vote on the current item. No action was taken.

Adoption of a Resolution approving a one day liquor license and fund raising event for September 12, 2015 for the Kishwaukee Valley Wanderers:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to adopt a Resolution approving a one day liquor license and fund raising event for September 12, 2015 for the Kishwaukee Valley Wanderers, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.
Approval of the cost to sandblast and paint the wastewater treatment plant south clarifier tank not to exceed $17,950:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner for the approval of the cost to sandblast and paint the wastewater treatment plant south clarifier tank not to exceed $17,950, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval of the purchase of a Kubota M6060HD Utility Tractor not to exceed $33,050:
Motion made by Alderman Watson for the approval of the purchase of a Kubota M6060HD Utility Tractor not to exceed $33,050, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval of an engineering services agreement with Baxter & Woodman for a message center sign:
Motion made by Alderman Curley for the approval of an engineering services agreement with Baxter & Woodman for a message center sign, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval of a temporary extension for the Charter Franchise Agreement:
Motion made by Alderman Watson for the approval of a temporary extension for the Charter Franchise Agreement, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance adopting the prevailing wage rates for the county of DeKalb, in the City of Genoa, Illinois:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve an Ordinance adopting the prevailing wage rates for the county of DeKalb, in the City of Genoa, Illinois, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported on the progress with the eligibility requirements for the TIF district. He also reminded those attending of the IML workshop this Thursday in Elgin. Consultant Misurelli advised that a letter has been submitted to the Governor of Illinois in regards to the Amtrak plan requesting DeKalb and Kane Counties to be included in the routing. Each municipality’s Mayor/Village President in DeKalb County has signed in support. The letter also includes signatures from the Village Presidents of Burlington and Hampshire of Kane County along with the Chairman of the DeKalb County Board. Mayor Vicary expressed appreciation for the City’s intern, Alyssa, in her efforts to obtain all the signatures.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that the new turbo blower is being unloaded and in the process of installation. Set-up will take approximately 3-4 weeks.
Police Department – Acting Chief Smith reported that the new breathalyzer had been delivered. He reported few incidents with the recent Genoa Days celebration. Acting Chief Smith advised that a new part-time officer has been sworn in to assist with midnight shifts.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported on a successful Genoa Days celebration. The video for the City’s website was recently presented at an after-hours viewing at Prairie State Winery. The Mayor advised that there are minor edits before the final work is complete. The new City sign has been installed at the Public Works facility. On Thursday, Senator Dave Syverson will be at the Genoa Veterans Home to give a briefing on the status of the State.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Watson praised Director Gentile for his efforts with Genoa Days.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Brust and Lang were present. Alderman Cravatta arrived at 7:04 p.m.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – Acting Chief Smith presented Officer Gates with a Certificate from the Police Academy. Acting Chief Smith noted that Officer Gates served as President of her class and maintained a 93% average throughout her time at the Academy.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of June 16, 2015, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of June 2015, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the Economic Development Commission meeting was July 2nd. The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for August 6th. The Plan Commission meeting scheduled for July 9th has been canceled. He reported that there are two petitions that look to be presented in August.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce Great Genoa Duck Race:
Motion made by Alderman Watson for the approval of the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce Great Genoa Duck Race, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance amending Section 5, Chapter 3A, Section 5, of the Animal Control Ordinance:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to adopt an Ordinance amending Section 5, Chapter 3A, Section 5, of the Animal Control Ordinance, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was
taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

**Rejection of the bid proposal for the 2015 Seal Coat Program:**
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to reject the bid proposal for the 2015 Seal Coat Program, seconded by Alderman Curley. Director Gentile explained that the rejection was due to the only bid received being over budget for the project. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

**Approval of the purchase of a replacement Police Patrol Vehicle:**
Motion made by Alderman Cravatta to approve the purchase of a replacement Police Patrol Vehicle, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson and Watson voted yes. Motion carried.

**Adoption of a Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by a Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code through IDOT for MFT funding for crack sealing:**
Motion made by Alderman Curley to adopt a resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by a Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code through IDOT for MFT funding for crack sealing, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported on the progress of the expansion at Custom Aluminum Products. Alderman Carroll inquired about the Prairie Ridge Pointe Center. Consultant Misurelli advised that the property had been sold. The two types of businesses proposed to occupy the space would be a gymnastics center and an early learning center.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that there have been 8 applications submitted for the job opening within Public Works. They will be reviewed and interviews will be set. Director Gentile also reported expected payout of the final grant payment for the prairie project. He expected $9,400 to be received. Alderman Wesner asked if weeds on the property directly behind the Ace Hardware had been reported to the property owner. Acting Chief Smith believed a letter had already been sent advising the property owner to maintain. Alderman Wesner also advised of tree limbs near the intersections of North State Street and Second Street, as well as Washington Street and Second Street which are blocking the visibility of the stop sign.

Police Department – Acting Chief Smith reported that applications are being reviewed for the hiring of part-time Police Officers. He also shared a letter received from a 10 year old resident thanking the Police Department for keeping the City safe.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported on a recent meeting with the Secretary of Transportation for Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), Randall Blankenhorn. Mayor Vicary, Consultant Misurelli, and intern Alyssa Seguss brought the letter of consensus recently signed by all of the communities of DeKalb County as well as Hampshire and Burlington of Kane County. Mayor Vicary was pleased with the discussion and felt that if the project was to be
carried out in the future, it would be done so in a fiscally responsible way. Alderman Curley and Alderman Watson expressed their appreciation for the efforts placed into monitoring the Amtrak project.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Cravatta reported on the attendance of the IML Workshop for newly elected officials. He found the workshop to very helpful and informative. Mayor Vicary announced that the Fire Chief is looking for individuals that would like to attend a National Incident Management System (NIMS) course.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
CITY OF GENOA
City Council Meeting Minutes
July 21, 2015

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Watson and Brust were present.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of July 7, 2015, seconded by Alderman Brust. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of July 2015, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Watson and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for August 6th. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for August 13th.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS – none

CLOSED SESSION

For the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous closed session.
For the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline, and/or performance of specific employees.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes from the previous closed session and for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline, and/or performance of specific employees seconded by Alderman Brust. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Watson and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

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

In the closed session, the City Council accepted the minutes of the June 2, 2015 closed session.
DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported the sale of the Prairie Ridge Pointe Shopping Center. The new owner intends to convert a portion of the property into a gymnastics center.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported on the progress of the Jackson Street resurfacing project. He anticipated the asphalt to be applied within the next few days.

Police Department – Acting Chief Smith reported recent modifications to the CodeRed service have required residents to reenroll in the service to select the notifications they would like to receive. Due to FCC restrictions, prior stored information cannot carry over. He reported an underutilization of the service as there are currently only 3,000 data numbers and 300 residents signed up for the service. Mayor Vicary inquired whether CodeRed was still going to perform a marketing campaign as previously communicated to increase resident signup. Acting Chief Smith advised that CodeRed will be conducting their campaign on July 29th via an automated call to residents previously signed up for the service. Mayor Vicary expressed concern that this would only target residents previously using the service and not those who have never used the service. Acting Chief Smith advised that the Police Department’s website as well as Facebook page will be used to communicate with these residents. Acting Chief Smith also reported on his attendance of the NIU exercise, simulating an explosion and active shooter on campus and testing law enforcement response.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary presented the completed promotional video for the City. He advised that the video would be presented prior to the Movies on Main Street event on Saturday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Carroll passed out a flyer regarding the 59th annual Sycamore Steam Show & Threshing Bee event being held August 13-16th at the Taylor Marshall Farm.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary called the special meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. Alderman Wesner was absent.

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.
For the purpose of discussing the lease price of a property.

Motion made by Alderman Watson to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes from the previous closed session, for the purpose of discussing pending, possible, and/or probable litigation, and for the purpose of discussing the lease price for a property seconded by Alderman Carroll. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Watson to reconvene to the special meeting of the City Council meeting, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

In the closed session, the City Council accepted the minutes of the July 21, 2015 closed session.

Motion to adjourn the special meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Brust, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
In the absence of Mayor Vicary, Mayor pro tem Stevenson called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Curley, Stevenson, Watson and Lang were present. Aldermen Carroll, Cravatta and Brust were absent.

Mayor pro tem Stevenson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – Acting Chief Smith presented Mr. Ronald Evers, 300 block of West Second Street, with a certificate for his ongoing support of the K-9 unit program. Mr. Evers encouraged the City to have an account specifically designated for the maintenance and replacement of the K-9 unit as needed. He encouraged the City to publicize the account to increase contributions.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of July 21, 2015, seconded by Alderman Watson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of July 2015, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for August 6th. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for August 13th with one item on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Personnel Policy Manual:
Motion made by Alderman Curley for the approval of the Personnel Policy Manual, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval to purchase a new phone system:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to approve the purchase of a new phone system, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Watson, Lang, Wesner, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.
Adoption of a Resolution to execute City property leases:
Motion made by Alderman Lang to adopt a Resolution to execute City property leases, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Lang, Wesner, Curley, Stevenson and Watson voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli had nothing further to report.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that a new full-time employee had been hired and will start August 10th.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported on preparation for the start of the upcoming school year. He will be meeting with the Crossing Guards and conducting a short training session. Acting Chief Smith also reported on his meeting with the Verizon representative about the replacement of the mobile phones for the officers. Alderman Watson asked if the roster of crossing guards was sufficient or if new crossing guards need to be hired. Acting Chief Smith reported a need for substitutions to fill in the roster.

Mayor’s report – Mayor pro tem Stevenson had nothing further to report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mayor pro tem Stevenson made an announcement about the upcoming Cruisin’ to Genoa Car Show on August 15th.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Curley to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of August 4, 2015, seconded by Alderman Watson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of August 2015, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Alderman Carroll abstained. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – Ms. Shannon Wilde, 400 block of Birch Avenue, was in attendance to request the installation of bike racks on Main Street. She stated that there are no bike racks currently throughout Main Street. When Ms. Wilde approached the Library Board about having bike racks at the Library, she was advised that they recently voted against the measure to do so. Ms. Wilde offered the municipal lot located east of the Prairie State Winery and the lot west of the Heartland Bank as possible bike rack locations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the Plan Commission recently met on August 13th and a recommendation was made and would be coming to the City Council for approval. The Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for September 3rd.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Mayoral Appointments to the Economic Development Commission, Plan Commission, Police Commission, Police Pension Board and Tree Board:
Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the mayoral appointments to the Economic Development Commission, Plan Commission, Police Commission, Police Pension Board and Tree Board, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.
CLOSED SESSION

For the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous closed session.
For the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline, and/or performance of specific employees.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes from the previous closed session and for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline, and/or performance of specific employees, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

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

In the closed session, the City Council accepted the minutes of the July 27, 2015 closed session.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that DeKalb County was designated an Enterprise Zone, but with the recent concerns with the State budget there is no timetable when this would be officially awarded. Alderman Carroll encouraged the use of correspondence to businesses in the area making improvements to better the landscape of Genoa.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported on roadway patching taking place. He also advised that the newly hired Public Works employee has resigned and went back to his former employer. Alderman Wesner commended Director Gentile for his efforts during the Cruisin’ to Genoa Car Show.

Police Department – Acting Chief Smith reported on the status of the new Police vehicle. He expected it to be delivered by October/November. Approximately $1800 has been recovered in tax garnishments from unpaid City tickets. Acting Chief Smith discussed the monthly police report. He discussed the CodeRed and possibly doing away with the additional services offered at a later time.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported on a successful Cruisin’ to Genoa Car Show and the efforts of the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce. He encouraged a more integrated approach with the Chamber in regards to future events. He would potentially like to see the City sponsor a Chamber event.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Watson announced that Pioneer Day is August 30th. Alderman Wesner announced that the Genoa Veterans Home will be having a Pig Roast on August 22nd.
Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary called the special meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Brust and Lang were present. Aldermen Wesner, Watson and Cravatta were absent. Alderman Cravatta arrived at 7:10 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

For the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous closed session.
For the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline and/or performance of specific employees.

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes from the previous closed session and for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline and/or performance of specific employees, seconded by Alderman Lang. Aldermen Stevenson, Brust, Lang, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Brust to reconvene to the special meeting of the City Council meeting, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

In the closed session, the City Council accepted the minutes of the August 18, 2015 closed session.

Motion to adjourn the special meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Carroll, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present.

Mayor Vicary requested a moment of silent reflection in memory of Austin Smith, a freshman at Genoa-Kingston High School, who tragically passed away.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to accept the minutes of the special City Council meeting of July 27, 2015 and the regular City Council meeting of August 18, 2015, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of August 2015, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the Plan Commission recently met on August 13th and that recommendation is up for City Council approval tonight. He does not anticipate an Economic Development Commission meeting being held in September.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Adoption of an Ordinance approving a Preliminary and Final PUD and Preliminary and Final Plat of Subdivision for the Sanderson PUD at 701 and 703 Pearson Drive:
Motion made by Alderman Brust to adopt an Ordinance approving a Preliminary and Final PUD and Preliminary and Final Plat of Subdivision for the Sanderson PUD at 701 and 703 Pearson Drive, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.
Adoption of a Resolution authorizing a temporary road closure for the Genoa-Kingston High School Homecoming Parade:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to adopt a resolution authorizing a temporary road closure for the Genoa-Kingston High School Homecoming Parade, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance amending Section 3, Abatement Procedure of Chapter 3, Weed Control, of Title 4 of the City Code of the City of Genoa:
Motion made by Alderman Brust to adopt an Ordinance amending Section 3, Abatement Procedure of Chapter 3, Weed Control, of Title 4 of the City Code of the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance amending Section 14, Liquor Districts and Section 18, Bartender of Chapter 3, Liquor Control, of Title 3 of the City Code of the City of Genoa:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt an Ordinance amending Section 14, Liquor Districts and Section 18, Bartender of Chapter 3, Liquor Control, of Title 3 of the City Code of the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance amending Section 8, Part-Time Police of Chapter 1, Police Department, of Title 5 of the City Code of the City of Genoa:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to adopt an Ordinance amending Section 8, Part-Time Police of Chapter 1, Police Department, of Title 5 of the City Code of the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayoral Appointments to the Economic Development Commission:
Motion made by Alderman Brust to accept the Mayoral Appointments to the Economic Development Commission, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayoral Appointment of the Chief of Police:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to accept the Mayoral appointment of the Chief of Police, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayoral Appointment of the Director of Public Works and City Attorney:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to accept the Mayoral Appointment of the Director of Public Works and City Attorney, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Motion carried. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.
DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that a news release would be sent out regarding the appointment of Police Chief Robert Smith and his background. He also reported on receiving a quarterly report from the Electric Aggregation Program. There are approximately 29,000 commercial/residential customers in the program. Since July of 2012, the program has saved customers $8,000,000 with $436,000 being saved by customers in Genoa.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported on having the fall banner colors up in the downtown area by the first week of October. He has also been working to secure locations for the new City signs. Director Gentile advised that an application of gravel would need to be applied to the Trail Project in order to receive more funds through the Openlands grant.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported on grief counselors being utilized to assist Genoa-Kingston first responders in the aftermath of the Genoa-Kingston High School student who took his life. He will be extending offers to two new Auxiliary Officers and will begin background investigations to hire two more Part-Time Police Officers.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported that Moscato’s Pizza will be moving into the old Joe’s Pizza in the downtown area. He sent a letter to the Genoa-Kingston School District Staff thanking them for their guidance and support following the tragic loss of a student. Mayor Vicary advised of correspondence received from Fire Chief Kozlowski regarding the National Incident Management System (NIMS) courses and encouraged all able to attend. He also reported on another successful Pioneer Day.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – none

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. Alderman Carroll was absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to accept the minutes of the special City Council meeting of August 24, 2015 and the regular City Council meeting of September 1, 2015, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of September 2015, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for October 1st. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for October 8th.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Adoption of an Ordinance appointing a City Clerk Pro-Tempore:
Motion made by Alderman Brust to adopt an Ordinance appointing a City Clerk Pro-Tempore, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Curley, Stevenson, Watson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

Police Chief Swearing In Ceremony:
Mayor Vicary requested the ceremony be held just before the conclusion of the City Council meeting. City Clerk Dennis Di Guido administered the Oath of Office to Chief Smith.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported on an environmental concern that had been remediated back in the 1990’s on the property in which Custom Aluminum Products stands now. The concerns by the City had been to have an agreement of liability from the previous occupant.
of the area, AG Communications, to protect the City from responsibility and also for an
easement that would allow for future extension of Second Street to go across the 40 acre
property. All supporting documentation had been received and Custom Aluminum Products can
continue with their expansion.

Public Works – Director Gentile had nothing further to report.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that an officer was sent in representation of the Police
Department for Lt. Gliniewicz’s Funeral. Officers were sent to attend a detail in remembrance of
September 11, 2001 at a Marengo High School football game. Officer Edwards is attending a
course regarding motorcycle gangs.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported on a successful Volksfest and Great Genoa Duck Race.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Consultant Misurelli announced that anyone interested in attending the
upcoming National Incident Management System (NIMS) courses to be sure to register as if
there is not enough participation, they may cancel the scheduled date.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner,
seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting
was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta and Lang were present. Alderman Brust was absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of September 15, 2015, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of September 2015, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – Ms. Shannon Wilde of Birch Avenue was in attendance to encourage those able to attend about an informational forum regarding the Illinois Anti-Corruption Act. The Illinois Campaign for Political Reform in conjunction with the League of Women Voters of Greater Rockford will be hosting the event at the YWCA of Rockford located at 4990 E. State Street.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the Plan Commission meeting for October had been cancelled. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for November 12th. The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for November 5th.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Acceptance of the FY 2014-2015 Audit Report:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to accept the FY 2014-2015 Audit Report, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Brian LeFevre, a partner of Sikich, LLP was in attendance to present some brief comments regarding the report results from the audit for the year ended April 30, 2015. He noted that the City of Genoa received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 9th consecutive year. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.
Adoption of an Ordinance amending Section 1, General Penalty, Bond Fees, Court Costs of Chapter 4, General Penalty, of Title 1 of the City Code of the City of Genoa and to add Section 5/12 610.2 Electronic Communication Devices:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to adopt an ordinance amending Section 1, General Penalty, Bond Fees, Court Costs of Chapter 4, General Penalty, of Title 1 of the City Code of the City of Genoa and to add Section 5/12 610.2 Electronic Communication Devices, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance amending the City Code updating Finance Office Manager and City Clerk Responsibilities language:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to adopt an ordinance amending the City Code updating Finance Office Manager and City Clerk Responsibilities language, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Approve the purchase of new Downtown Speakers not to exceed $14,000:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve the purchase of new Downtown Speakers not to exceed $14,000, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Approve the purchase of a Portable Generator for the Locust Street Lift Station not to exceed $18,000:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to approve the purchase of a Portable Generator for the Locust Street Lift Station not to exceed $18,000, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Approve a Roof Repair Contract for the North Digester Tank not to exceed $14,000:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve a Roof Repair Contract for the North Digester Tank not to exceed $14,000, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Approve the purchase of new Christmas Tree Lights for the Community Tree not to exceed $1,500:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to approve the purchase of new Christmas Tree Lights for the Community Tree not to exceed $1,500, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Approve a Tree Removal Contract not to exceed $9,400:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve a Tree Removal Contract not to exceed $9,400, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang, 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 the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline and/or performance of specific employees.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes from the previous closed session and for the purpose of discussing pending, possible and/or probable litigation, seconded by Alderman Curley. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

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

In the closed session, the City Council accepted the minutes of the August 24, 2015 closed session.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported on a new business opening at 113 West Main Street. The business will specialize in the sale of e-cigarettes. A Halloween event has been set up by the Administrative intern, Alyssa. The movie “Hocus Pocus” will be shown in the auditorium at Custom Aluminum starting at 7:30 p.m. on October 31st. The Illinois Department of Public Health gave notice of award to the Water Department for meeting the fluoridation requirements at the highest level for at least the last ten years.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported on efforts to set up the fall decorations in the downtown area.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported on the possibility of making the language of the ordinance regarding Parental Responsibility for Juveniles stricter. The amendment would have parents ticketed where there are repeat offenses. Chief Smith also reported that older tickets for violations have been provided to a collection agency to attempt to recover fines. There was no fee to the City for this service. The collection agency will charge their fee on to any monies recovered. The new squad vehicle is still at the Ford factory waiting to be delivered to Sycamore for equipment installation.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary had nothing further to report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Lang announced that the band, Sanctus Real, will be performing, Oct. 10th at Crosswind Community Church.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. Alderman Stevenson was absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Lang to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of October 6, 2015, seconded by Alderman Watson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of October 2015, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – Mrs. Christi Slavenas of Second Street, Genoa, Mr. Barry Schrader of DeKalb and Ms. Bessie Chronopoulos of DeKalb were in attendance to inform the Mayor and City Council of the pending merger of Kish Health Systems and Northwestern Memorial Health Care. This merger may result in the closing of the remaining mental health care facilities located in DeKalb County. They are requesting the Mayor and City Council to send letters to the Health Facilities Review Board, recommending inpatient mental and behavioral health care be returned to DeKalb County.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for November 5th and the next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for November 12th.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Approval to the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce to use the Municipal parking lot for the Celebrate the Season event:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the use of the Municipal parking lot by the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce for the Celebrate the Season event, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.
Adoption of a Resolution for IDOT to approve closing Route 72 (Main Street) for the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce Santa’s Jingle Bell Parade:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to adopt a Resolution for IDOT approval to close Route 72 for the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce Santa’s Jingle Bell Parade, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Approve Pavement Repair Proposal not to exceed $28,886.00:
Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the Pavement Repair Proposal not to exceed $28,886.00, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported a permit was issued to Energym Sports for the remodel at 407 Sycamore Road which will occupy the 3 center units. This remodel will be the largest commercial project since Ace Hardware. The new building under construction at Custom Aluminum is our largest industrial project in decades.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported concrete has been poured for the two new City signs on Genoa Road and Route 72 and sidewalk repairs have been completed.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported on new logo on the police vehicles all should be completed by the end of the year. Retired officer Kevin Heiser passed away on October 9th. The speed trailer has been parked on Madison Street for 33 days with 61,000 vehicles passing by with the fastest reported speed of 71 mph and an average speed of 19 mph.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported receiving a thank you from the Lions club for the Volksfest event and from the Opportunity House for our support of their vacation program. The October Committee of the Whole meeting will be cancelled.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Pizza was delivered from Muscato’s in appreciation for all of the City’s assistance with the opening of their new location.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of October 20, 2015, seconded by Alderman Watson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes with the exception of Alderman Stevenson abstaining. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of October 2015, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for November 5th. The next Plan Commission meeting scheduled for November 12th has been cancelled as there are no new petitions.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS – none

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that due to the impasse of the State of Illinois Budget, monies are not being received from such sources as Use, Motor Fuel, and Video Gaming Tax. Energm Sports is making progress on the construction of their facility within the Prairie Ridge Pointe Shopping Center. Consultant Misurelli also reported that the Mayor of Elgin and the Village President of Pingree Grove have offered their signatures in support of the recent Amtrak letter. Consultant Misurelli noted the efforts of Hampshire Trustee George Brust to gain these additions.
Public Works – Director Gentile reported on efforts to set up the sound system wires and speakers in the downtown area. His intentions are to have everything installed in time for the Celebrate the Season event.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that two of the squads are currently equipped with the new City logo. The other two squads as well as the newest addition to the fleet will be done in the near future. The receipt of the newest vehicle is still pending as transportation arrangements are being made. Chief Smith advised of a larger than expected number of reported incidents on Halloween.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported on attendance of the Halloween movie hosted by Custom Aluminum.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – City Clerk Di Guido announced an invitation to attend the 36th Annual Dinner for the North Central Illinois Council of Governments. Mayor Vicary gave a reminder of the group picture for the Community Calendar will be taken at the next meeting on November 17th.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – Ms. Shannon Wilde of the 400 block of Birch Avenue was in attendance to report that she had become the Chairman of Explore Genoa. The first event will be Shop Genoa and is an initiative to bring more traffic into local businesses. It will start on Thursday, November 19th at The Trading Post. Ms. Wilde encouraged all those able to attend.

Motion made by Alderman Curley to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of November 3, 2015, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of November 2015, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – Michael Cirone of the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce was in attendance to thank the City Council for all their support throughout the last year. He also spoke on behalf of his client, Dr. Sherie Purdue, who is selling her property at 209 W Main Street. The buyer has requested an update regarding the paperwork with the property as there will be a request to have a liquor license. Consultant Misurelli advised that discussion regarding the additional liquor license will be held at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for December 3rd. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for December 10th.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of a 2015 Tax Levy Determination for the City of Genoa:

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve a 2015 Tax Levy Determination for the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Curley. Financial Advisor Dave Jepson gave an overview regarding the item. The requested Total Tax Levy is $690,000. In addition to the regular tax levy, Genoa will levy a special service tax of $52,500 for the River Bend SSA, $5,750 for the Derby...
Estates SSA, and $1,600 for the Oak Creek Estates SSA. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson and Brust voted yes. Aldermen Cravatta and Lang abstained. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance Authorizing the execution of the IMLRMA Minimum/Maximum Contract Agreement:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to adopt an Ordinance authorizing the execution of the IMLRMA Minimum/Maximum Contract Agreement, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Approve purchase of a new squad camera not to exceed $5,335:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve a purchase of a new squad camera not to exceed $5,335, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that a recent push for legislation to allow the distribution of funds from Motor Fuel Tax, Video Gaming Tax and Use Tax recently failed due to a Parliamentary maneuver. He was pleased to announce that the DeKalb County Enterprise Zone will be certified by end of the year.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that he had a recent discussion with the Lavender Family regarding sewer concerns. He will have staff follow up with them in regards to their concerns.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported on a partnership with the High School in efforts to utilize their Transition Program. This program allows special needs students to gain life skills by accomplishing tasks within the department such as light housekeeping. He added that recent updates had been completed on the website for the Police Department.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported that the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce will have an Ugly Christmas Sweater Party on December 16th. The State of the City Address will be held on November 19th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – none

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta and Brust were present. Alderman Lang was absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of November 17, 2015, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of November 2015, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for December 3rd. The next Plan Commission meeting scheduled for December 10th had been cancelled.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Adoption of an Ordinance amending Section 3-3-8 of the City Code of the City of Genoa – Creating an additional Class “A” Liquor License:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to adopt an ordinance amending Section 3-3-8 of the City Code of the City of Genoa – Creating an Additional Class “A” Liquor License, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Alderman Brust voted no. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance providing a one year extension of the limited temporary reduction in certain fees as an incentive for new construction:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to adopt an Ordinance providing a one year extension of the limited temporary reduction in certain fees as an incentive for new construction, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust voted yes. Alderman Carroll voted no. Alderman Wesner abstained. Motion carried.
Approval of a Collection Services Agreement with Municipal Collections of America, Inc.: Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve a Collection Services Agreement with Municipal Collections of America, Inc., seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson and Cravatta voted yes. Alderman Wesner abstained. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that the City Calendar for 2016 and Annual Report to residents at set for printing.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that all work in the Downtown area has been completed in preparation for the Celebrate the Season event.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that effective today the Police Department has a School Resource Program with Genoa-Kingston High School. There will be an Officer on the premises at least 4 hours per day. This would them to interact with the teachers and students more. He reported on the recent hiring of a new part-time officer. The Police Department is prepared for the Celebrate the Season event.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary had nothing further to report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Jan Tures, Finance Office Manager, announced the transition to the new phone system is set to officially take place tomorrow. She discussed how the new system will work. The City Christmas Party is scheduled for December 11th.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.
Mayor Vicary opened the public hearing for the 2015 tax levies at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. There are 4 tax levy ordinances for General Public purposes and for the Special Service Areas for Riverbend, Derby Estates and Oak Creek Estates. The amounts to be levied were provided at a previous meeting. There were no additional questions from the public or City Council. Mayor Vicary then concluded the public hearing.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:01 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of December 1, 2015, seconded by Alderman Brust. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Watson to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of December 2015, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – Ms. Cortney Strohacker and Ms. Krissy Johnson of the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce were in attendance to thank the City, Public Works, and the Police Department for their efforts in making the Celebrate the Season event successful. Executive Director Strohacker reported record breaking attendance for the event. The Genoa Library reported approximately 450 people visiting. She also handed out a copy of the 2016 Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce calendar of events.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consultant Misurelli reported that the next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for January 7th. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for January 14th. The next Police Pension Board meeting is scheduled for January 19th at noon.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS
Adoption of an Ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2015 to pay the principal of and interest on $1,250,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2005, of the City of Genoa, Illinois:
Motion made by Alderman Brust to adopt an Ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2015 to pay the principal of and interest on $1,250,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2005, of the City of Genoa, Illinois, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2015 to pay the principal of and interest on $550,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2010, of the City of Genoa, Illinois:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to adopt an Ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2015 to pay principal of and interest on $550,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2010, of the City of Genoa, Illinois, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance levying Special Service Area property taxes for the special services to be provided in Riverbend Special Service Area in the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois, for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of May, 2015 and ending on the 30th day of April, 2016:
Motion made by Alderman Brust to adopt an Ordinance levying Special Service Area property taxes for the special services to be provided in Riverbend Special Service Area in the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois, for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of May, 2015 and ending on the 30th day of April, 2016, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance levying Special Service Area property taxes for the special services to be provided in Derby Estates Special Service Area in the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois, for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of May, 2015, and ending on the 30th day of April, 2016:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to adopt an Ordinance levying Special Service Area property taxes for the special services to be provided in Derby Estates Special Service Area in the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois, for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of May, 2015, and ending on the 30th day of April, 2016, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance levying Special Service Area property taxes for the special services to be provided in Oak Creek Estates Unit Four Special Service Area in the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois, for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of May, 2015 and ending on the 30th day of April, 2016:
Motion made by Alderman Carroll to adopt an Ordinance levying Special Service Area property taxes for the special services to be provided in Oak Creek Estates Unit Four Special Service Area
in the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois, for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of May, 2015 and ending on the 30th day of April, 2016, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

**Adoption of an Ordinance levying taxes for all corporate purposes for the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois, for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of May, 2015, and ending on the 30th day of April, 2016:**
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt an Ordinance levying taxes for all corporate purposes for the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois, for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of May, 2015, and ending on the 30th day of April, 2016, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

**Approval of the Sikich LLP Audit proposal for 2016:**
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the Sikich LLP Audit proposal for 2016, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

**Discuss Portable Food Vendor Licensing:**
Mr. Jeff Brust, 12000 block of Ridge Road, proposed the City Council explore the use of a registration and permit process of portable food vendors. He requested in addition to a DeKalb County Food permit, a registration indicating date and duration of sales and nature of food products being sold as well as a permit issued by the city would be required prior to any sales. Based upon Mr. Brust’s findings, there is no formal registration process or fees for portable food vendors. Currently, the approval of whether a food vendor can set up depends solely on the approval of the Genoa Police Department. Mr. Brust’s concerns as a property owner of a retail business on the 200 block of E. Main Street are that the current system does not protect against the abuse of the process by vendors, address the flow of business away from other retail, or limit the amount of space and location of the vendor. Ms. Strohacker expressed concern with the potential for registration fees as she felt this could deter registrants from such events like the Farmers Markets. Mayor Vicary requested the opportunity to research the registration and permit process of portable food vendors and bring back to a future City Council meeting.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**
Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that the City Calendar for 2016 should be received by next week and will be prepared to mail out to residents. A 2016 Annual Meetings List has been distributed for the City Council members. Consultant Misurelli reported on a recent meeting with the staff of Congressman Adam Kinzinger regarding the City’s stance on the Amtrak route and expressed positive reception. He shared news that the State of Illinois has passed a spending bill to allow Municipalities to receive their shares of the Motor Fuel Tax, Use Tax, and Video Gaming Tax.

Public Works – Director Gentile had nothing further to report.
Police Department – In the absence of Chief Smith, Officer Edwards was in attendance. Officer Edwards reported that the newest Police squad had arrived and is receiving the final decals before being ready for use by the end of the year. The High School Resource Program has received a positive response from the students, school staff and parents. The Winter Parking Ban will be enforced.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary requested permission to cancel the upcoming Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for December 28th. There was no objection. Mayor Vicary thanked everyone able to attend the Annual City Christmas Party. He took the opportunity to express gratitude for everything Financial Advisor Dave Jepson has done for the City during his tenure.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mayor Vicary wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe New Year.

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