Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:02 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 Wesner to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of December 20, 2016, 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 second half of December 2016 in the amount of $82,654.92, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for January 5th. The next Plan Commission meeting will be on January 12th. There is one item on the agenda regarding the request for a Special Use Permit for the Bed & Breakfast business.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Adoption of a Resolution providing for the retirement of certain municipal indebtedness by the use of Motor Fuel Tax Funds:

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to adopt a Resolution providing for the retirement of certain municipal indebtedness by the use of Motor Fuel Tax Funds, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.
Adoption of a Resolution for Improvement by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt a Resolution for Improvement by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of a Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code:
Motion made by Alderman Carroll to adopt a Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner votes yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that tomorrow he will be attending a meeting for The Northern Illinois Purchasing Cooperative. This was previously known as The Northern Illinois Governmental Energy Cooperative (NIGEC). This will be for an auction style decision for electrical services provided to the City of Genoa for city operations such as wells, lift stations, and the waste water plant. The retail location at 201 W. Main Street appears to have new tenants that will operate as a cell phone store.

Public Works – Director Gentile had nothing further to report.

Police Department – Officer Edwards was in attendance on the behalf of Chief Smith. He thanked Alderman Curley for the food donation to the Police Department over the Holidays.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS – none

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 at 7:11 p.m.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:02 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.

Chief Smith recognized Officer Collins for his recent graduation from the academy. Officer Hathcoat and Officer Meisner were recognized and presented a certificate for their extraordinary assistance to citizens in the community.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of January 3, 2017, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of January 2017 in the amount of $97,475.42, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Plan Commission meeting held on January 12th discussed the request for a Special Use Permit for a Bed & Breakfast operation. That petition is included in tonight’s agenda as it received unanimous approval from the Plan Commission. The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for February 2nd.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Adoption of a Resolution for IDOT approval to close Route 72 (Main Street) for the Genoa Days Celebration/Carnival:
Motion made by Alderman Brust to adopt a Resolution for IDOT approval to close Route 72 (Main Street) for the Genoa Days Celebration/Carnival, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call
was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

**Authorization for the use of the Municipal Parking Lot by the Genoa-Kingston Fire Department during the Genoa Days Celebration/Carnival:**
Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve authorization for the use of the Municipal Parking Lot by the Genoa-Kingston Fire Department during the Genoa Days Celebration/Carnival, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

**Approval for the closure of S Washington Street between Hill Street and Church Street on Saturday, July 15, 2017 from 1:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for the Genoa-Kingston Fire Department Water Fights:**
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve the closure of S Washington Street between Hill Street and Church Street on Saturday, July 15, 2017 from 1:00 pm to 7:30 pm for the Genoa-Kingston Fire Department Water Fights, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

**Adoption of an Ordinance approving the issuance of a Special Use Permit for a Bed and Breakfast Use for Mary R and Matthew R Keys at 231 South Sycamore Street:**
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt an Ordinance approving the issuance of a Special Use Permit for a Bed and Breakfast Use for Mary R and Matthew R Keys at 231 South Sycamore Street, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

**Adoption of an IDOT Resolution for Improvement by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code:**
Motion made by Alderman Curley to adopt an IDOT Resolution for Improvement by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

**Adoption of a Resolution extending on a temporary basis the Cable Television Franchise for the City of Genoa:**
Motion made by Alderman Brust to adopt a Resolution extending on a temporary basis the Cable Television Franchise for the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

**Approval of a Cable Television Franchise Extension Agreement:**
Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve a Cable Television Franchise Extension Agreement, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.
Adoption of an Ordinance amending the City Code of the City of Genoa, Title 1, Chapter 4, Section 1 – Police Fines:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to adopt an Ordinance amending the City Code of the City of Genoa, Title 1, Chapter 4, Section 1 – Police Fines, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

New Website Presentation:
Administrative Intern Seguss presented the latest developments of the new website designed by Balcom-Vetillo Design.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that the retail location at 201 W Main Street was being considered for a coffee shop, but the involved group is no longer interested in this location. He also reported about the recent purchase of the Evelyn Cooley Building at Washington Street and Main Street. The property will be used as a main office location for a property management company. He reported on his attendance at The Northern Illinois Purchasing Cooperative. This was previously known as The Northern Illinois Governmental Energy Cooperative (NIGEC). The auction style format for electrical services provided to the City of Genoa for city operations such as wells, lift stations, and the waste water plant was successful and he felt that good pricing was obtained.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported on efforts being made by Public Works to deal with weather conditions.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that The Board of Police & Fire Commissioners will have a meeting tomorrow. There is an opening for The Board of Police & Fire Commissioners as Rick Duellman has resigned. New business being discussed at this meeting will be the option of utilizing lateral police hiring. He also explained that a Sergeant Eligibility List needs to be created.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mayor Vicary announced that The Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce will have their Annual Dinner & Awards Ceremony on Thursday, February 16, 2017.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Brust. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.
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, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present.

Mayor pro tem Stevenson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of January 17, 2017, 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 January 2017 in the amount of $688,213.32, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for March 2nd. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for held on March 9th.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Authorization for use of the Municipal Parking Lot by the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce during the 2017 Movies on Main Street Events:

Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Cortney Strohacker, Intern Skylar Doherty and President Pattie Marx were in attendance to provide additional information regarding the 2017 calendar of events. Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve authorization for use of the Municipal Parking Lot by the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce during the 2017 Movies on Main Street Events, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.
Authorization for use of the Municipal Parking Lot and City streets by the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce during the 2017 Farmers Markets:
Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve authorization for use of the Municipal Parking Lot and City streets by the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce during the 2017 Farmers Markets, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

Authorization for use of the Municipal Parking Lot and City streets by the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce during the 2017 Cruisin’ to Genoa Car Show:
Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve authorization for use of the Municipal Parking Lot and City streets by the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce during the 2017 Cruisin’ to Genoa Car Show, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of a Resolution for IDOT approval to close Route 72 (Main Street) for the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce 2017 Cruisin’ to Genoa Car Show:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt a Resolution for IDOT approval to close Route 72 (Main Street) for the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce 2017 Cruisin’ to Genoa Car Show, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, 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 2017 Santa’s Jingle Bell Parade:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to adopt a Resolution for IDOT to approve closing Route 72 (Main Street) for the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce 2017 Santa’s Jingle Bell Parade, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Authorization for use of the Municipal Parking Lot and City streets by the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce during the 2017 Celebrate the Season Event:
Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve authorization for use of the Municipal Parking Lot and City streets by the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce during the 2017 Celebrate the Season Event, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance amending the Genoa City Code Title 5, Chapter 1, Section 9:
Motion made by Alderman Carroll to adopt an Ordinance amending the Genoa City Code Title 5, Chapter 1, Section 9, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Wesner voted yes. Alderman Lang abstained. Motion carried.

Approval of Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management Program and Contract for 2017:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management Program and Contract for 2017, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken.
Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

**Approval of a Baxter & Woodman Engineering Agreement for a proposal on a future wastewater treatment plant expansion:**
Motion made Alderman Curley to approve a Baxter & Woodman Engineering Agreement for a proposal on a future wastewater treatment plant expansion, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

**Mayoral appointments for the DeKalb County Regional Planning Commission:**
Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the Mayoral appointments of Rich Gentile and Alyssa Seguss for the DeKalb County Regional Planning Commission, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that the retail location at 201 W Main Street has opened as a Boost Mobile cell phone store. Consultant Misurelli advised in light of a recent Economic Incentive Agreement with Service Concepts; each of the additional taxing districts will have to vote to approve the agreement. These additional taxing districts have also been asked to join the DeKalb County Enterprise Zone.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported a controlled Prairie burn was successfully performed recently. With the warmer weather, crews will be out performing sewer flushing. The Water Division Supervisor position has been filled.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that staff levels are trending towards full staff. Officer Collins is still completing road training. Officer Gates has returned back from Maternity Leave. A retail theft Ordinance that will allow for a city citation to be issued will be presented at a future City Council meeting.

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Chief Smith announced that Karlsbad Tavern will have their annual Chili Cook-off on Sunday, February 12th. Mayor pro tem Stevenson announced that the 60th Annual Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce Dinner will be held at Custom Aluminum Products on Thursday, February 16th.

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 at 7:23 p.m.
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 Carroll to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of February 7, 2017, 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 February 2017 in the amount of $223,129.11, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for March 2nd. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for held on March 9th.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Adoption of a Policy and Ordinance regarding Travel, Meal and Lodging Expenses of the City of Genoa:

Motion made by Alderman Curley to adopt a Policy and Ordinance regarding Travel, Meal and Lodging Expenses of the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Watson. Consultant Misurelli explained that this is now part of a state statutory requirement. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.
Adoption of an Ordinance approving and authorizing the sale and/or disposal of surplus firearms:
Motion made by Wesner to adopt an Ordinance approving and authorizing the sale and/or disposal of surplus firearms, seconded by Alderman Brust. 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 the City of Genoa has been awarded The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 11th year in a row. This was the first year for Treasurer Tures and shows the continuation of excellence.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported receipt of the money from the second of two grants for the Turbo Blowers in the amount of $72,000. The total received from the grants was approximately $100,000. The total project cost was $170,000.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that a dog on N. Hadsall Street has been declared a dangerous dog due to an attack on an individual. Chief reported on efforts regarding Dispatch services and fees.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported on attending Karlsbad’s Chili Cook-off, the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce Dinner and the Pinewood Derby. Last evening, he attended a Boy Scout meeting held at the Genoa Masonic Lodge where items discussed were the Constitution as well as how city government operates.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Wesner announced that on March 4th, the Mouse Races will be held at the Genoa Vets Home to raise money for the Genoa-Kingston Education Foundation. Mayor Vicary discussed the press release regarding the litigation with the Regional Transportation Agency (RTA).

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 at 7:17 p.m.
Mayor Vicary called the special meeting of the City Council to order at 7:01 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Brust and Lang were present. Alderman Cravatta was absent.

NEW BUSINESS

Adoption of an Ordinance authorizing the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois to borrow funds from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Water Pollution Control Loan Program:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt an Ordinance authorizing the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois to borrow funds from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Water Pollution Control Loan Program, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Watson, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of a Resolution authorizing the execution of an application to borrow funds from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Water Pollution Control Loan Program:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to adopt a Resolution authorizing the execution of an application to borrow funds from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Water Pollution Control Loan Program, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn the special 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 at 7:07 p.m.
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, Cravatta and Lang were present. Aldermen Curley and Brust were absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of February 21, 2017 and Special City Council meeting of February 27, 2017, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of February 2017 in the amount of $88,458.86, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Watson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for April 6th. The Plan Commission scheduled for March 9th will be cancelled. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for April 13th with a possible petition to be presented.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Approval for the use of City property in connection with the St. Mary’s Catholic School Russell Woods 5K Race on Saturday, April 8, 2017:

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the use of City property in connection with the St. Mary’s Catholic School Russell Woods 5K Race on Saturday, April 8, 2017, seconded by Alderman Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.
Adoption of an Ordinance adopting the Zoning Map for the City of Genoa:
Motion made by Alderman Watson to adopt an Ordinance adopting the Zoning Map for the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance readopting a City Code for the City of Genoa:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to adopt an Ordinance readopting a City Code for the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Approval of a Baxter & Woodman Engineering Services Agreement for the Well #4 Generator and the South Water Tower repainting/maintenance:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve a Baxter & Woodman Engineering Services Agreement for the Well #4 Generator and the South Water Tower repainting/maintenance, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

For the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous closed sessions
For the purpose of releasing closed session minutes
For the purpose of discussing the lease price for a property

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous closed sessions, for the purpose of releasing closed session minutes and for the purpose of discussing the lease price for a property, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, 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 Watson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

In the closed session, the City Council approved the minutes of the December 20, 2016 closed session.

NEW BUSINESS – CONTINUED

Approval of releasing Closed Session Minutes:
Motion made by Alderman Lang 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 have previously been submitted to and reviewed by the members of the City Council. The minutes to be released: 03/01/2016, 03/15/2016, 04/19/2016, 05/17/2016 and 10/4/2016. Minutes not to be released: 02/03/2015, 04/21/2015, 10/06/2015 and 02/02/2016. Minutes to be released in part: 01/20/2009 of the seven paragraphs, withhold paragraph four, 04/21/2009 of the fifteen paragraphs, withhold paragraph nine, 03/29/2010 of the five paragraphs, withhold paragraph four,
Alderman Lang further moved 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. Alderman Lang further moved 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 Watson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Watson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of a Resolution authorizing the execution of a Lease for a portion of the property at 113 North Genoa Street by the City of Genoa:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt a Resolution authorizing the execution of a Lease for a portion of the property at 113 North Genoa Street by the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Watson, Cravatta, Lang and Mayor Vicary voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported on attending a NIU hosted luncheon for interns and their supervisors. Alyssa Seguss, Administrative Intern, was recognized and awarded amongst approximately 50 other interns as intern of the year based on her knowledge gained and involvement within the administration of City Hall.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported on an upcoming replacement of a culvert storm sewer pipe beneath Madison Street located south of Walnut Street. The work is scheduled for March 13-18 and at which time, this portion of Madison Street will be closed. A detour map was provided. Alderman Lang expressed concern with the additional volume of traffic through this area. Chief Smith explained that the speed monitoring station will be set up.

Police Department – Chief Smith provided a Dispatch services and fees update. Changes are being made to the Adjudication Process. These changes are currently being reviewed by the Judge and then will go to City Counsel for review. Genoa-Kingston High School will be hosting
a High School Basketball Sectional Tournament and Police Officers including Auxiliary officers will be staffed.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported on attending the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce’s Business Expo.

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 at 7:38 p.m.
In the absence of Mayor Vicary, Mayor pro tem Stevenson called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:02 p.m. Mayor pro tem Stevenson advised of the recent passing of Alderman Watson’s husband, Roger, and Finance Office Manager Tures’ mother, Lois. He asked that thoughts and prayers be with both families. He also announced that City Clerk Di Guido and his wife recently welcomed the birth of their daughter. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Cravatta and Brust were present. Aldermen Watson and Lang were absent.

Mayor pro tem Stevenson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of March 7, 2017, 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 March 2017 in the amount of $548,031.34, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for April 6th. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for April 13th with a petition to be presented.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Authorization for the approval of an Illinois Department of Transportation Construction Engineering Services Agreement for Federal Participation:
Motion made by Alderman Carroll to authorize the approval of an Illinois Department of Transportation Construction Engineering Services Agreement for Federal Participation, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.
Authorization for the approval of an Illinois Department of Transportation Preliminary/Construction Engineering Services Agreement for Motor Fuel Tax Funds: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to authorize the approval of an Illinois Department of Transportation Preliminary/Construction Engineering Services Agreement for Motor Fuel Tax Funds, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

Authorization to award construction contract for the South Sycamore Street MFT resurfacing project from Hill Street to the Railroad Tracks: Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve authorization to award construction contract for the South Sycamore Street MFT resurfacing project from Hill Street to the Railroad Tracks, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Cravatta, Brust, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Authorization for the purchase of a new front loader attachment for the Kubota Tractor not to exceed $6,650: Motion made by Alderman Curley to approve authorization for the purchase of a new front loader attachment for the Kubota Tractor not to exceed $6,650, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Cravatta, Brust, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Authorization for the sale of a used police vehicle: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve authorization for the sale of a used police vehicle, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported a good start to 2017 in single family home construction permits being issued. Two permits have been issued in the Derby Line Estates Subdivision and another one for the Oak Creek Subdivision. He anticipated this being the best year in single family home construction permits being issued since 2008. Alderman Brust inquired about the status of the TIF district. Consultant Misurelli explained that the city is still looking for a developer to take on the project.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported on the schedule for the water tower. A rendering of the water tower paint colors and city logo were provided as a draft. He also discussed updates being made to the trails for better management. The culvert project on Madison Street was successful and completed sooner than anticipated. Alderman Cravatta complimented the swiftness of the project and was thankful that it was completed prior to the weekend as a planned event was set to take place at the Crosswind Community Church that weekend.

Police Department – Chief Smith attended a training board meeting and advised that more training is being requested by the State of Illinois. Full time and part time Officers will be required to complete additional training in subjects like Legal Updates and Procedures. On April 10th, the full time Police Officers will receive Narcan training to assist with providing aid to
Heroin related overdoses. Upon completion, the Police Department will receive kits for the full time Officers to carry.

Mayor’s report – Mayor pro tem Stevenson requested to cancel the Committee of the Whole Meeting scheduled for March 27th. There was no objection to doing so.

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 at 7:29 p.m.
CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
April 3, 2017
7:00 P.M.

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

Mayor pro tem Stevenson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of March 21, 2017, 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 March 2017 in the amount of $71,537.48, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for April 6th. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for April 13th with a petition to be presented.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Adoption of a Resolution for IDOT approval to close Route 72 (Main Street) for the Memorial Day Parade:
Motion made Alderman Wesner to adopt a Resolution for IDOT approval to close Route 72 (Main Street) for the Memorial Day Parade, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

Presentation of the Proposed Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2017 and ending April 30, 2018:
City Treasurer Janis Tures presented the Proposed Annual Budget. City Treasurer Tures explained that the City of Genoa has adopted the Budget System for authorizing expenditures. In compliance with this system, the Public Hearing to approve the Annual Budget will be held at
immediately prior to the City Council meeting on April 18, 2017. She noted that the City of Genoa had been awarded the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) “Excellence in Financial Reporting Award” for the 11th straight year. The bond rating upgrade from last year by Moody’s Investors Service from A3 to A1 was retained.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that he has received approval from the local taxing districts accepting the Economic Incentive Agreement with Service Concepts Inc. and J6 Polymers. Now they will be brought to DeKalb County and Kishwaukee College to seek their support.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that the new Bed & Breakfast business will need to install a larger water service line going underneath S. Sycamore Street. The business is aware of the resurfacing project and is working with Public Works to complete.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported Officer Collins has completed his field training and is now working independently. The Police Department will soon advertise for creation of new Eligibility and Lateral lists. The current Eligibility list is set to expire in July 2017. The Lateral list is a new inclusion this year and requires prospective employees to have 3 years of experience as a Police Officer.

Mayor’s report – Mayor pro tem Stevenson wished good luck to all candidates in the upcoming Consolidated Election on Tuesday, April 4th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – none

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.
A public hearing on the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2017 and ending April 30, 2018—Mayor Vicary called the public hearing to order at 7:02 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Cravatta and Lang were present. Aldermen Watson and Brust were absent. Mr. Gordon Jones, 11000 block of Pebble Beach Drive, inquired whether revenues anticipated versus budget expenditures were of a positive or negative balance. Consultant Misurelli explained that the budget is positive, but with great diligence to do so. There were no comments from the public or the Aldermen. Mayor Vicary closed the public hearing at 7:04 p.m.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:04 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Cravatta and Lang were present. Aldermen Watson and Brust were absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – none

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of April 3, 2017, seconded by Alderman Curley. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of April 2017 in the amount of $223,357.20, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for May 4th. A petition for a Special Use Permit was presented at the last Plan Commission meeting held on April 13th. It is on tonight’s agenda for the City Council to approve.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS
Adoption of an Ordinance adopting the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2017 and ending April 30, 2018 for the City of Genoa:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to adopt an Ordinance adopting the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2017 and ending April 30, 2018 for the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance issuing a Special Use Permit to allow a Rear Deck Outdoor Seating Area for Minnihan’s at 209 West Main Street:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to adopt an Ordinance issuing a Special Use Permit to allow a Rear Deck Outdoor Seating Area for Minnihan’s at 209 West Main Street, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Mr. Thomas Minnihan, Owner of Minnihan’s, was in attendance to speak on the intended plans for the Rear Deck Outdoor Seating Area. Multiple Aldermen expressed concerns with the recommendations brought forward by the Plan Commission. Motion made by Alderman Curley to amend the Ordinance to remove the last sentence of Section 1, Paragraph 1 that reads “Alcohol is not permitted on the deck after 11:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 10:00 p.m. on Sunday through Thursday evenings” and to remove paragraph 7 in its entirety that reads as “Recognizing the other area businesses which are daytime orientated, and the potential of afternoon deliveries, use of the deck shall be limited to until after 5:00 p.m. weekdays (on Monday through Friday)”, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt the amended Ordinance issuing a Special Use Permit to allow a Rear Deck Outdoor Seating Area for Minnihan’s at 209 West Main Street, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Cravatta and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance amending Section 3-3-1 of the City Code of the City of Genoa, Liquor Licenses:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt an Ordinance Amending Section 3-3-1 of the City Code of the City of Genoa, Liquor Licenses, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Cravatta and Lang 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 Stevenson to adopt 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 Curley. Alderman Lang asked if the 4.6% rate increase could eventually be reduced if the City of Genoa receives principal forgiveness on the loan for the south water storage tank project and other improvements. Director Gentile responded in the affirmative. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Alderman Cravatta abstained. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance amending Section 4-2-5, Rates for Garbage and Recycling Collection, of the Genoa Municipal Code in the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to adopt an Ordinance amending Section 4-2-5, Rates for Garbage and Recycling Collection, of the Genoa Municipal Code in the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Curley voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of a Resolution designating Signatories for the City of Genoa:
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to adopt a Resolution designating Alderman Katie Lang as Signatory for the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Curley. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Cravatta, Lang and Curley voted yes. Aldermen Wesner and Carroll abstained. Motion carried. Mayor Vicary thanked Alderman Curley for her time previously serving as Signatory.

Adoption of an Ordinance amending and adopting the City Code of the City of Genoa, Police Regulations:
Motion made by Alderman Curley to adopt an Ordinance amending and adopting the City Code of the City of Genoa, Police Regulations, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Curley, Stevenson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Adoption of an Ordinance amending the City Code of the City of Genoa, Public Works Regulations:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt an Ordinance amending the City Code of the City of Genoa, Public Works Regulations, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Curley, Stevenson, Cravatta and Lang vote yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that the April newsletter has been mailed out to residents.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported on the 2017 Rate Survey showing the monthly utility bill charges of Genoa and 21 other communities. Genoa ranked 15th out of the 22 communities. Director Gentile also advised of the 2016 Consumers Confident Report (CCR). Possible choices for water tower exterior paint and design were displayed via visual aide.

Police Department – Chief Smith thanked Alderman Curley for her support to the Police Department. Testing for the rank of Sergeant will be conducted tomorrow by the Police and Fire Commission. Bergstrom Inc. donated a solar panel light to be used by the utility vehicle “Mule”.

Mayor’s report – none

ANNOUNCEMENTS – none

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 at 7:54 p.m.
Mayor Vicary announced that before the start of the regular City Council Meeting, the commencement of Oaths of Office for Elected Officials swearing in ceremony would take place. A fifteen to twenty minute break would then take place for pictures and refreshments before the regular meeting started.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:40 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of April 18, 2017, 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 second half of April 2017 in the amount of $526,295.02, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – Resident Laura Geils congratulated the Elected Officials.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for May 4th. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for May 11th.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of a Franchise Extension Agreement with Charter Cable Partners, LLC: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve a temporary franchise agreement extension with Charter Cable to 9/8/17, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call was taken. Alderman Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.
Mayoral Appointments to the Economic Development Commission, Plan Commission, Police Pension Board, Police Commission and Tree Board:
Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve the Mayor’s re-appointment of current members to a new term, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Alderman Carroll stated that she would like those members to come before our Council and introduce themselves. Mayor Vicary agreed that is a great idea; however it is difficult for them to find time since they are volunteers and have other obligations, but we would see about getting them to a City Council Meeting over the next year. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayoral Appointments of the Chief of Police, Director of Public Works and City Attorney:
Motion made by Alderman Wesner to re-appoint current members to a new term, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative report – Consultant Misurelli reported that he serves on the DeKalb County Storm Water Commission and wanted to give some background information about this Commission. They have developed data regarding the watersheds and assisted in fixing flooding issues. A few years ago they were given a grant from the EPA and the DeKalb County Community Foundation to do a major study of watersheds. They assisted in relocating the mobile home park in Sycamore as well. The Commission is beneficial to Genoa since we are located downstream along the Kishwaukee River and it is likely that we will be next for a watershed study.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that with all the recent rain, there has been a lot of flooding in some areas, so take extra caution.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that Sergeant testing was completed and Officer Greg Edwards has been chosen. He will be sworn in at the next City Council Meeting on May 16th. Also, the Police Department has started a new application list. The deadline of submittal was May 1st. We received approximately 50 applications. The written testing and submittal of additional paperwork will be May 13th.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported that after the April 18th Council Meeting, he, along with Aldermen Wesner and Cravatta, went to previous Alderman Watson’s home to present her with a proclamation and vase to thank her for her many years of service.

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 at 7:58 p.m.
Before the regular City Council Meeting started, Officer Greg Edwards was sworn in as Sergeant by City Clerk Winker.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:15 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Lang were present. A motion was made by Alderman Di Guido to allow Alderman Brust to join the meeting remotely, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

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 May 2, 2017, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of May 2017 in the amount of $102,903.87, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

**ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE** – None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for June 1st and will be held at 9 a.m. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for June 8th.

**OLD BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**VIDEO GAMING INFORMATION PRESENTATION:** Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss presented a slide show to provide Council and Attendees background information regarding video gaming. Statistics showed that revenue from video gaming has increased 850% over the last 5 years. The revenue from video gaming in Genoa has increased 132% in 2016/2017 from the previous year. With the addition of Video Café Abby’s, the revenue did not go down for other video gaming establishments; the revenue increased.

**ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3-3-8 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GENOA LIQUOR LICENSES:** Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve an amended Ordinance to allow an increase in the number of Class G (Video Café) liquor licenses available from one to two, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Guest speaker, John Shipley stated his intentions for applying for the video gaming license. There was some discussion between John Shipley, the Aldermen and Mayor Vicary regarding where the Video Café will be located and how
Alderman Brust expressed concern regarding the Video Café being another establishment for people to drink. John Shipley responded that he would prefer to not have a liquor license, but in order to obtain a gaming license; a liquor license is required by the State. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Lang and Brust all voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL TO PURCHASE REPLACEMENT POLICE VEHICLES: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the purchase of 2 new police vehicles not to exceed $95,011, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Chief Smith stated that the Police Department is trading in one of their vehicles and purchasing an additional one that they did not replace last year. Alderman Cravatta asked Chief Smith if it would be worth it to have the extra car instead of trading it in. Chief Smith indicated the vehicle is not needed and trading it in would lower the cost of purchasing one of the cars. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Wesner, Alderman Carroll, Alderman Di Guido, Alderman Stevenson, Alderman Winter, Alderman Cravatta, Alderman Lang and Alderman Brust all voted yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS CLOSED SESSION

FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, DISMISSAL, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE AND/OR PERFORMANCE OF SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES

Motion made by Alderman Winter 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 Carroll. Aldermen Winter, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Di Guido 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 March 7, 2017 closed session.

Adoption of an Ordinance increasing the base hourly wage rate for all full-time employees, and for part-time employees for the City of Genoa, County of DeKalb, State of Illinois, effective May 1, 2017 and continuing through April 30, 2018:

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to adopt an Ordinance increasing the base hourly wage rate for all full-time employees, and for part-time employees, for the City of Genoa, County of DeKalb, State of Illinois, effective May 1, 2017 and continuing through April 30, 2018, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Misurelli had no report, but was asked about the Aggregation Program. Consultant Misurelli stated that ComEd dropped their rates, so we are not able to guarantee a lower rate at this time. Letters will go out to residents in early summer.
Public Works – Director Gentile reported that construction will be starting on May 19th on South Sycamore Street. They are starting with curbs and sidewalk repair work and then will start resurfacing the street. Alderman Carroll asked if advertising signs are allowed on corners and in parkways. Consultant Misurelli responded no they are not and asked Chief Smith to have our Community Ordinance Officer look into it.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that the written tests for the applications that were turned in, took place on Saturday, May 13th. 31 candidates showed up and 19 passed. The ones who passed will receive letters to interview in June.

Mayor’s report – Mayor Vicary reported that the Committee of the Whole meeting for May would be cancelled.

The 2017 Mayor’s Memorial Day Breakfast will be held at the DeKalb Elks Lodge on May 29th, along with a service at the cemetery.

We received a request for a Proclamation for a Genoa couple who will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary.

The school district has requested giving Joe Burgess, who is retiring, the keys to the City. We do not do that, but will do a Proclamation for him.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Arbor Day Celebration will be Thursday, May 18th at 4 pm. Dedication of the tree was in honor of the late Roger Watson.

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 at 8:10 pm.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:05 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present.

Before the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Vicary asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence in recognition of the deaths of Kathy Burgess, wife of the previous GK Schools Superintendent, Joe Burgess and Les Bellah, the previous Mayor of Kirkland.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Guest Speaker** – None

Motion made by Alderman Cravatta to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of May 16, 2017, seconded by Alderman Winter. 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 May 2017 in the amount of $230,660.00, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Alderman Di Guido questioned why there were two different vendors listed for PD ammunition. Chief Smith responded that there are two different types of ammunition used; one for the Officers regular weapons and shooting range ammunition. Alderman Carroll asked if Public Works always uses Fox Ridge Nursery or if the City puts it out for bid. Director Gentile responded that we only use Fox Ridge Nursery. He stated that the bill was $3,236.00 which is under the $5,000.00 that would need approval from the City Council. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

**ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE** – None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for July 6th and will be held at 9 a.m. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for July 13th at 7:00 p.m.

**OLD BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A TEMPORARY PERMIT FOR A BEER GARDEN FOR MINNIHAN’S**: Motion made by Alderman Cravatta to approve a temporary beer garden for Minnihan’s during Genoa Days and on weekends during June and July, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter all voted yes. Alderman Brust voted no. 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 Brust to adopt the annual state required adoption of current DeKalb County prevailing wage rates for contracted work performed for the City, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE TITLE 5, CHAPTER 4, SECTION 17: Motion made by Alderman Carroll to amend the City Code to cover retail theft with a fine and mandatory court appearance, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF REVISED PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve revised Personnel Policy Manual with changes to compensatory time, vacation leave, longevity pay, unused sick time, Sergeant holiday pay pension contributions and alcohol and illegal drug testing, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVE THE CONTRACT BID AWARD WITH MAXCOR, INC FOR THE SOUTH ELEVATED WATER STORAGE TANK REPAINTING IEPA PROJECT, CONTINGENT UPON IEPA LOAN/GRANT RECEIPT: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve lowest bid contract for the IEPA water tower repainting, not to exceed $437,317, subject to the City’s IEPA loan receipt, seconded by Alderman Winter. There were a few questions asked regarding a timeline for the project to be completed and how much of the cost the Grant would cover. Director Gentile responded that we do not currently have a date for the project to be completed, but the City has received the approval for the loan. He also indicated that the Grant would cover 50% of the project. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVE THE CONTRACT BID AWARD WITH MIKE LONG CONSTRUCTION, INC FOR THE WELL 4 GENERATOR IEPA PROJECT, CONTINGENT UPON IEPA LOAN/GRANT RECEIPT: Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve the lowest bid contract for the IEPA well 4 generator, not to exceed $86,000, subject to the City’s IEPA loan receipt, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Misurelli stated that there are some Economic Development Commercial Projects in progress. Also, the open house for J6 Polymers is scheduled for July 15th. The Bed and Breakfast are tentatively scheduled to open in August and Custom Aluminum is currently hiring and working on a day care program for their employees. Alderman Lang asked Consultant Misurelli if there is an update on Alan Browne Chevrolet’s project. Consultant Misurelli did not have an update. Mayor Vicary indicated that with all of the rain, Alan Browne is waiting for the ground to dry before they can move forward.
**Public Works** – Director Gentile reported that construction on South Sycamore Street is ahead of schedule and they are hoping to have it finished and open by the start of Genoa Days. Director Gentile stated that anyone planning to ride on the float, it will be at the cross streets of Koch Drive and Central Ave and the parade starts at 1 p.m. Alderman Brust asked when Public Works would be mowing in the Riverbend Subdivision. Director Gentile responded that they actually started today.

**Police Department** – Chief Smith reported that the streets downtown are shut down and ready to go for Genoa Days. He also reported that there was a break in at the Middle School and they have camera footage and know who the perpetrators were. Chief Smith stated that his Department went to a training course for firearms on May 18th. Alderman Wesner asked Chief Smith if the Police Department has been pulling over quite a few people for cell phone usage while driving and do we have any signs posting it is prohibited. Chief Smith indicated that yes they have issued quite a few tickets for that violation and no signs need to be posted because it is a state law that cell phone usage while driving is prohibited. Alderman Wesner also asked about all of the signs that are up at the “Y” intersection by West Main Street and Route 72. She stated that there are always so many signs there and a lot of times, it is difficult to see when trying to turn at that intersection. Director Gentile stated that Public Works is trying to come up with a solution. He indicated that a possible solution would be to section off an area that signs are not allowed and any signs put up in that area would be removed. Alderman Wesner expressed her concern regarding the grease on the sidewalk by Corner Grill. She indicated that it is a hazard and someone is going to get hurt if they don’t do anything about it. Cleaning it more often or re-directing where the grease goes, were a couple suggestions to rectify the situation. Alderman Di Guido asked Chief Smith if the Police Department is aware of mailboxes being damaged on Cherry Tree Lane. Chief Smith stated yes, they are aware of it, along with other streets that are having the same problem. They are working on finding the person(s) responsible.

**Mayor’s Report** – Mayor Vicary reported that the King and Queen for Genoa Days would be revealed on Wednesday, June 7th at 8:00 p.m. Mayor Vicary also said that the wakes/funerals for Kathy Burgess and Les Bellah would both be on Thursday, June 8th.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Alderman Di Guido announced that Waste Management is offering an organics waste program that allows resident to dispose of food waste for composting. The program is offered from April through November. The containers are smaller than the garbage and recycling containers and they are picked up at the end of the season. In order to participate in this program, the City will need at least 50 participants. There are a few names on the list of interested residents. We have posted the information on our website and on Facebook.

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 at 7:40 pm.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Lang were present. Aldermen Carroll, Cravatta & Brust were absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Guest Speaker** – None

Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to accept the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of June 6, 2017, seconded by Alderman Lang. 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 June 2017 in the amount of $227,336.62, seconded by Alderman Winter. Alderman Lang asked if the sulfur treatment in Derby Estates was for the pond. City Consultant Misurelli stated yes. Alderman Stevenson questioned why the cordless phone for the front desk was so high. Consultant Misurelli stated that he wasn’t sure, but would find out and report back. Alderman Stevenson also asked if the purchase of the laptops was to replace old ones. Chief Smith responded they are replacement of old laptops from last year and for the new squads. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

**ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE** – Gary Eggleston addressed Mayor Vicary regarding the posting of City Council Meeting Packets on the City’s website. Mayor Vicary and Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss responded that the packet was uploaded to the website earlier that day. Mr. Eggleston stated that he was unable to find it on the website. Assistant Seguss stated she would show Mr. Eggleston where it is after the meeting.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for July 6th and will be held at 9 a.m. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for July 13th at 7:00 p.m.

**OLD BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**APPROVAL OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE DEKALB COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND DISASTER AGENCY:** Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve an intergovernmental agreement for coordinating emergency and disaster services, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Lang all voted yes. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

*Administrative Report* – Consultant Misurelli stated that the City put the contract for the Electric Aggregation Program out for bid, but was unsuccessful at finding a provider that could guarantee
rates lower than ComEd. Since the Electric Aggregation Program is not currently assisting our residents in saving money, letters have been mailed out, stating that we have gone back to ComEd as our energy provider. Mr. Misurelli also stated that there is talk of ComEd raising rates in the fall. If this happens, the City will renegotiate to get better rates for our residents. Consultant Misurelli also reported that Custom Aluminum is constructing industrial space that will total approximately 16,000 square feet. It will be 4 buildings used for storage. Since the space is over 10,000 square feet and will provide additional employment, they will qualify for the Enterprise Zone Programs. Consultant Misurelli also stated that they have already hired approximately 10 people and looking to possibly employ up to 30. Lastly, Mr. Misurelli stated that he wanted to follow up with the City Council’s concerns regarding the deterioration of the house at the property of 131 S Sycamore Street. He indicated that notices to the property owner and Administrative Adjudication have been unsuccessful. With the assistance of our City Attorney, the City is trying to step in to at least have the capability of securing temporary repairs to keep animals from entering and leaving the house, in addition to ensuring there is no hazard to the public. Alderman Lang asked if the property owner lives out of state. Mr. Misurelli indicated that it is a negligence issue. Alderman Stevenson asked Mr. Misurelli if Cademon Brewing was moving to DeKalb due to expanding or tax incentives. Mr. Misurelli responded, not to his knowledge.

Public Works – Director Gentile was unable to attend the meeting due to being on vacation. In his absence, Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss filled in for him. She reported that the memo and chart included in the packet were regarding the flooding on June 14th. Public Works put up barricades in flooded areas and chipped the fallen tree limbs the following day. Alderman Stevenson stated that the float for the Genoa Days Parade looked great.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that he and Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss will be attending a dispatch meeting on Wednesday, June 21st to discuss the Sheriff’s plan for dispatch going forward. He also stated that the suspects from the break-in at the Genoa Kingston Middle School have all been identified. The Police Department has statements from all of them and they will be charged by the end of the week. Lastly, Chief Smith stated that Administrative Assistant, Susie Smith was injured while on vacation and will be out of work for several weeks and Officer Victoria Gates has resigned from her full time position. She would like to stay on as a Part Time Officer. Chief Smith stated that the lateral list will be completed by the end of the month, so another Full Time Officer will be hired right away. Alderman Stevenson asked the Chief if there were any major issues during Genoa Days. Chief Smith responded just a few fights, a DUI and a couple arrest warrants.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Vicary reported that on Saturday, June 24th at 2:00 p.m., there will be a Memorial Service for Les Bellah at Kirkland Park.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Wesner announced that Toni Barkey, who used to work at the Park District, passed away after her long battle with cancer. Mayor Vicary announced that there will not be a City Council Meeting on Tuesday, July 4th due to the holiday, so there will be a Special Meeting before the City of the Whole meeting on Monday, June 26th.

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 at 7:20 pm.
Mayor Vicary called the special meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Brust and Lang were present. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter and Cravatta were absent.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of June 2017, in the amount of $62,523.12, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**APPROVAL OF THE KISHWAUKEE VALLEY WANDERERS USE OF CITIZEN’S/CARROLL PARK FOR THEIR KAYAK & CANOE THE KISH EVENT ON JULY 15, 2017:** Motion made by Alderman Carroll for approval of the Kishwaukee Valley Wanderers use of Citizen’s/Carroll Park for their Kayak & Canoe the Kish event on July 15, 2017, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

**ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2016 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2017 FOR THE CITY OF GENOA, DEKALB COUNTY, ILLINOIS:** Motion made by Alderman Brust to adopt an Ordinance amending the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2016 and ending April 30, 2017 for the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois, seconded by Alderman Lang. Mayor Vicary stated that the budget is complicated and he appreciated it being presented in Layman’s Terms. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO NEW LAWN MOWERS, NOT TO EXCEED $24,000.00:** Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the purchase of two new lawn mowers, not to exceed $24,000.00, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL FOR CONTRACTOR WORK TO DRAIN AND CLEAN THE DIGESTER TANK AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, NOT TO EXCEED $26,570.00:** This item will be rescheduled for an upcoming meeting due to not enough Aldermen being present to vote on it.

Motion to adjourn the special meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Brust, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Stevenson, Winter, Brust and Lang were present. Aldermen Wesner and Cravatta were absent. A motion was made by Alderman Winter to allow Alderman Di Guido to join the meeting via electronic attendance, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Winter, Brust, Lang, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Guest Speaker** – None

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the minutes from the June 20, 2017 regular City Council meeting and the June 26, 2017 Special City Council meeting, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of July 2017 in the amount of $128,600.46, seconded by Alderman Winter. Alderman Carroll inquired about the $10,000 payment to IEPA. Public Works Director, Rich Gentile responded that it is an annual permit fee for the size of our plant for hauling sludge. Alderman Stevenson questioned why the cost of mosquito spraying was only $34.00. Director Gentile responded that Clarke Mosquito had begun spraying and it began to rain, so they did not continue. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, and Winter voted yes. Motion carried.

**ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE** – Brent O’Daniell, the new Superintendent of the Genoa-Kingston School District introduced himself. Mr. O’Daniell is looking forward to partnering the Schools, City and Community together to build and grow.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for August 3rd and will be held at 9 a.m. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for August 10th at 7:00 p.m.

**OLD BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF AN IEPA LOW INTEREST LOAN AGREEMENT:** Motion made by Alderman Stevenson for approval and authorization of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency’s 20 year low interest loan and principal forgiveness agreement for the south water tower repairs and painting, not to exceed $241,815.76, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Lang asked if there were any secondary bids. Public Works Director, Rich Gentile stated there was not. Mike Long Construction withdrew his bid due to health reasons. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Brust, Lang, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.
APPROVE CONTRACTOR WORK TO DRAIN AND CLEAN THE DIGESTER TANK AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT NOT TO EXCEED $26,570: Motion made by Alderman Winter for the approval of a contract with Synagro Central, LLC to drain and clean the digester tank, not to exceed $26,570, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Alderman Winter questioned why the City is waiving the bid process. Public Works Director, Rich Gentile responded that the City has tried to get bids in the past, but since this is considered a specialty, there are IEPA regulations that must be met. If the sludge is not disposed of properly, the City would be liable. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Brust, Lang, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS CLOSED SESSION

FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING LAND ACQUISITION

FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING THE LEASE PRICE FOR A PROPERTY

Motion made by Alderman Brust to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes from the previous closed session, for the purpose of discussing land acquisition and for the purpose of discussing the lease price for a property, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried.

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

In the closed session, the City Council accepted the minutes of the May 16, 2017 closed session.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED

APPROVAL OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CROWN EXTERIORS FOR 113 NORTH GENOA ST, SUITE D: Motion made by Alderman Winter to renew the annual lease for the property at 113 North Genoa St, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Brust, Lang, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Misurelli reported that the man who robbed 2 banks in Belvidere, one in Harvard and one in Genoa a couple years ago was caught in March 2017. Mr. Misurelli stated that the robber will face 70 months in federal prison and will pay $6972 in restitution to the banks.

Public Works – Director Gentile stated he attended the Canoe the Kish event and it was a great turnout.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that Administrative Assistant Susie Smith is still out of work due to her injury. She will be coming back to work in approximately a week. He also reported that Officer Ryan Baxa will be sworn in as a full time officer at the City of the Whole meeting on July 24, 2017 and Officer Victoria Gates will change her status to part time officer.
**Mayor’s Report** – Mayor Vicary reported that he attended 4 events over the past weekend. The Chamber Golf Outing, Canoe the Kish, J6 Polymers Open House and the Annual Firefighter Water Fights. The events were nicely done and had great turnouts. Mayor Vicary also stated he would like to set something up with J6 Polymers, for the City Council to tour and see all the high tech things that they do.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Alderman Brust stated that he has noticed in the River Bend subdivision, Waste Management is not picking up extra items that are next to the garbage cans. He indicated that it has been getting worse over the last few months. Consultant Misurelli stated that nothing has changed and the City will contact Waste Management to address the situation.

Motion to adjourn the regular 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 at 7:52 pm.
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, Winter, Cravatta and Lang were present. Alderman Di Guido was absent. A motion was made by Alderman Wesner to allow Alderman Brust to join the meeting via electronic attendance, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Guest Speaker** – None

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the minutes from the July 18, 2017 City Council meeting, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. 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 July 2017 in the amount of $521,949.62, seconded by Alderman Lang. Alderman Carroll asked if Baxter Woodman would be paid off in the near future. Public Works Director, Rich Gentile responded no that it is an ongoing process. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

**ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE** – None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for August 3rd and will be held at 9 a.m. There will not be a Plan Commission meeting on August 10th due to no petitions being ready for consideration. There will possibly be a Plan Commission meeting on September 14th at 7:00 p.m.

**OLD BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE THE HONORARY STREET DESIGNATION POLICY:**
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson for approval of the policy regulating honorary street designation requirements and procedures, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

**ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN HONORARY STREET DESIGNATION:**
Motion made by Alderman Cravatta for the approval of an Ordinance for honorary street designation to name a portion of North Monroe Street in memory of Roger Watson, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried.
ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING TWO ONE DAY LIQUOR LICENSES AND THE VOLKSFEST FUND RAISING EVENT FOR SEPTEMBER 8 & 9, 2017 FOR THE KISHWAUKEE VALLEY WANDERERS: Motion made by Alderman Wesner for the approval of the Annual Volksmarch and Volksfest 2 day event at Citizen’s/Carroll Park, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE USE OF CITIZEN’S/Carroll PARK BY THE KISHWAUKEE VALLEY WANDERERS FOR THE SEPTEMBER 8-9, 2017 VOLKSFEST EVENT: Motion made by Alderman Cravatta for the approval of the Annual Volksmarch and Volksfest 2 day event at Citizen’s/Carroll Park, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE USE OF CITIZEN’S/Carroll PARK BY THE GENOA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2017 GREAT GENOA DUCK RACE EVENT: Motion made by Alderman Carroll for the approval of the Annual Duck Race Event at Citizen’s/Carroll Park, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A TEMPORARY PERMIT FOR A BEER GARDEN: Motion made by Alderman Wesner for the approval to extend the temporary beer garden permit for Minnihan’s through September 20, 2017 with changes to open daily, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Alderman Stevenson asked Chief Smith if there have been any noise complaints on the weekends since the temporary permit was issued. Chief Smith responded no. Consultant Misurelli stated that Mr. Minnihan had gone through the Plan Commission process and City Council in the spring for a special use permit for an outdoor seating area. The original proposal was for a deck, but it was limited by the UDO requirements to approximately 200 square feet. Mr. Minnihan subsequent to the approval, decided not to do a deck, but to do a larger area for outdoor seating. Since that is a greater intensification of the use, Mr. Minnihan will have to come back through the Plan Commission and City Council. At that point, if approved, he will not have to come back for approval of a temporary beer garden. Alderman Brust asked if the size of the wooden structure that is already up is going to stay the same or will it change? Consultant Misurelli responded that the fence is a requirement for an outdoor seating area and will not be expanding. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION
FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS CLOSED SESSION
FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING LAND ACQUISITION

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 land acquisition, seconded
by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, 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 Winter. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

In the closed session, the City Council accepted the minutes of the July 18, 2017 closed session.

NEW BUSINESS – CONTINUED

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LAND PURCHASE CONTRACT: Motion made by Alderman Winter to adopt an Ordinance authorizing the execution of a land purchase contract, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Misurelli reported that the City attorney had come up with a provision that would allow the City to proceed with making corrections to the issues with the property at 131 South Sycamore Street. Mr. Misurelli also stated that there are six incomplete foundations in the River Bend subdivision. Three are on Forest Lane and three on Market and Burton by the High School. Mr. Misurelli stated that he had spoken with the City attorney and that the statute might be usable in the case of getting something done to correct the current potential hazard. Our City Building Inspector is comfortable with evaluating them and deeming them hazardous. He would also approve signs being posted stating as such. The intent is to bury the concrete and fill it in to level it off, to eventually be grassy areas on empty lots. The City will be able to put liens on the properties and possibly obtain ownership of them. Then they could possibly be sold to recapture our lien costs. The City will need to provide notices to the last tax payers and property owners, along with publishing legal notices and posting signs on the properties, in order to begin the process.

Public Works – Director Gentile stated that on Tuesday, August 08, 2017, he will be having a pre-construction meeting for the water tower repair project. It should give the City a timeline of when the project will be started and finished. Alderman Wesner addressed Director Gentile regarding the property on North Sycamore Street between Main Street and Railroad Ave. The residents have what they consider prairie flowers in the parkway and overflowing onto the sidewalk and curbs. The resident stated that previous City Council had allowed her to have this, but the City has no recollection or written documentation of that. Director Gentile stated that he has talked with the resident and they have begun removing what is on the parkway. There was some discussion and the consensus was for the City to try to work with these residents.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that school will be starting on August 16th. They are working on getting the crossing guards together to prepare for it.

Mayor’s Report – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Carroll announced the Steam Show on Plank Road starts Aug 10th for four days. The Methodist Church will be there having a bake sale on Thursday the 10th.

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 at 7:45 pm.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:03 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Lang were present. A motion was made by Alderman Di Guido to allow Alderman Brust to join the meeting via electronic attendance, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Alderman Cravatta joined the meeting a few minutes late.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the minutes from the August 1, 2017 City Council meeting, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. 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 August 2017 in the amount of $449,567.42, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Alderman Wesner questioned the cost of 500 pencils being $433.88. Chief Smith responded that they are crime prevention pencils engraved with the police department name on them. Alderman Lang asked if the street striping repair cost was for a striping machine. Director Gentile responded yes. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for September 7, 2017 and will be held at 9 a.m. It will be the quarterly round table meeting. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for September 14, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF KIRKLAND FOR ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATION: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido for approval of an agreement with Kirkland to use the Council Chambers for Administrative Adjudication, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF A CABLE TELEVISION FRANCHISE EXTENSION AGREEMENT: Motion made by Alderman Wesner for the approval of a new short term extension agreement with Charter Cable Partners, LLC, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Alderman Cravatta asked if this was an exclusive
contract. City Consultant Misurelli stated no, that it is a non-exclusive contract, so if another company were interested, they would be allowed to do so. Mayor Vicary clarified that this is strictly for television, not the internet. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING AUTHORITY TO SIGN APPLE DEVELOPER ACCOUNT LEGAL AGREEMENTS: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido for approval to authorize Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss to sign Apple Developer Agreements, that allow the City of Genoa to have our “app” available on the Apple Store, seconded by Alderman Winter. Alderman Stevenson asked if there would be a charge for this “app” agreement. Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss responded that there is an annual fee of $99 for the City, but will be free to the residents to download. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, 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 LEASE PRICE FOR A PROPERTY

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 lease price for a property, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Winter 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 1, 2017 closed session.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Misurelli reported that there are a couple commercial projects in the works. We should have more information in the near future.

Public Works – Director Gentile stated that in the packets was a handout with a map showing proposed improvements at Citizens Park along the Kishwaukee River. He stated that the Genoa Chamber has requested that a fire pit be installed for community use. They would like to use it for the Volksfest events the weekend of September 8, 2017, which is also Homecoming at the GK High School. They believe it would be a great way to join the two events. Director Gentile indicated that at some point, the City would like to open it up for community use by way of obtaining a permit from the City, based on certain criteria that must be met. Director Gentile stated that further down the line, he would like to have horseshoe pits, bag toss structures and a volleyball court installed. Alderman Winter asked how the City would keep the fire pit from being used without permission. Director Gentile stated that it would be boarded or locked up. Alderman Lang stated that if the fire pit is going to be a permanent structure, it should have a metal lid with locks on it. Alderman Stevenson questioned the City being liable if someone got hurt or burned from the pit. Director Gentile stated that there’s always risk of residents getting hurt on any of City’s properties, so he was unsure of how to answer that question. Alderman Carroll asked if the fire pit would be large and heavy enough that it wouldn’t
be able to be stolen. Director Gentile responded yes because the ring is five foot round and would go into a concrete structure and then have the locked lid on top. Mayor Vicary stated that we should try the fire pit out at Volksfest, see how it goes and make some more decisions down the road. Director Gentile stated that eventually an event parking access road would be created for all of these improvements. Director Gentile stated that Public Works will be doing street striping and curb painting downtown. They will be doing it at night time to minimize traffic disruption. Lastly, he reported that the City would be starting to put detour signs up for the upcoming car show.

**Police Department** – Chief Smith reported that the property owner at 131 South Sycamore Street was served a subpoena regarding the issues with her property. Consultant Misurelli stated that there are two things that the City is addressing. First that the City did the posting which lets us get things going and also, the subpoena allows us to prepare a demolition case. Although it will be a lengthy process, we will at least be able to move forward. Chief Smith also reported that he and Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss contacted other dispatch centers to inquiry about having them dispatch for us. There are two dispatch centers preparing quotes for us. Chief Smith also reported that school would be starting the next day. He has been working with the school Superintendent about starting up the school resource officer (SRO). The school is working on a grant to pay for the officer. If they don’t receive the grant, Officer Gates will be at the school on a part time basis. Lastly, Chief Smith reported that he spoke with Ed Anderson and he is working on moving stuff back. It is difficult for Mr. Anderson because people just drop off metal, appliances and various other things all the time without his knowledge.

**Mayor’s Report** – None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Mayor Vicary announced that the Roger Watson dedication sign would be presented at the car show on Saturday, August 19th @ 1:00 pm.

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 at 8:04 pm.
Mayor Vicary called the special meeting of the City Council to order at 7:02 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. Alderman Carroll was absent. Quorum established.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE RFP CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLE/EQUIPMENT STORAGE BUILDING: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve low bid contract for new storage building, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION EXECUTING AND APPROVING A LICENSE AGREEMENT: Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve request for the Corner Grill Business to use City property for storage of their trash receptacles, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter 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 Wesner for annual IDOT approval for Main Street road closure during the homecoming parade on September 8, 2017, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn the special 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 at 7:07 p.m.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. Alderman Wesner was absent. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Guest Speaker** – None

Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve the minutes from the August 15, 2017 City Council meeting and the minutes from the August 28, 2017 Special City Council meeting, seconded by Alderman Lang. 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 2017 in the amount of $454,115.11, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Alderman Carroll asked if the mosquito control spraying has been completed for the year. Director Gentile responded he believes so as the weather is beginning to cool down. Alderman Lang asked if ENCAP has done any work for us recently. Director Gentile responded that they had been out a few weeks prior spraying weeds. Alderman Cravatta asked which 6 people would be attending the IPELRA conference. Consultant Misurelli stated it would be himself, Mayor Vicary, Chief Smith, Director Gentile, Management Assistant Seguss and Utility Billing Clerk Kim Winker. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

**ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE** – None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The next Economic Development Commission meeting will be October 5, 2017. The September 7, 2017 meeting was cancelled due to not having a quorum. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for September 14, 2017 at 7:00 pm. Minnihan’s has filed their application for a special use permit amendment and they have complied with the various notification procedures for amending their outdoor special use permit.

**OLD BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GENOA AND THE DEKalb COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR THE RIVERFRONT ENHANCEMENT PROJECT’S COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT:** Motion made by Alderman Di Guido for approval of the DeKalb County Community Foundation Agreement for the grant received, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.
ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE, TITLE 1, CHAPTER 4, SECTION 1 FOR RETAIL THEFT FINES: Motion made by Alderman Carroll for the approval of increasing the retail theft fine to $200, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Di Guido asked for clarification of the language in retail theft 5-4-17 C, as Chief Smith’s memo stated that the current fine for retail theft is $100 and would like it changed to $200 to be more in alignment with the state, but the state fine is $150, not $200. Chief Smith stated that although our fine would be $50 more than the state, it would be cheaper for the perpetrator overall since the ticket would be issued at the City level instead of the court level, where more fees would be accrued. It would also serve as additional revenue for the City. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE, TITLE 5, CHAPTER 4, SECTION 18 FOR THEFT: Motion made by Alderman Winter for approval of a new section for theft under $500 to the City Code, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING MEMBERSHIP IN THE ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE RISK MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN IMLRMA INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION CONTRACT: Motion made by Alderman Winter for approval of the updated Risk Management Insurance membership and contract for our current insurance policy holder, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Di Guido questioned the 120 day notice to terminate the annual renewal. He asked what it was previously. Consultant Misurelli stated that the City is a Charter Member and he believes it used to be 90 days, but it got changed to the 120 days somewhere along the line, so there were a few different dates out there, so they are trying to get everyone consistent. Alderman Lang asked if this is typical procedure and has the City ever used a different provider. Mr. Misurelli stated that the City has tried from time to time, but we haven’t found anyone that is competitive with the Risk Management Agency. There is one other company that is evaluating whether or not they would like to provide us coverage. In the past, private sector options could not compete with the Risk Management Agency. Alderman Cravatta mentioned that it doesn’t specify a cost. Consultant Misurelli responded that at this point, we are not dealing with the actual renewal. We will be updated with their proposed cost at a later date. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL FOR VARIOUS CONCRETE WORK NOT TO EXCEED $8,410.00: Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve concrete projects, including various sidewalks, curbs and bench pad at River Bend by Koncrete Construction, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF THE CITIZEN’S PARK FIRE PIT RENTAL POLICY, PROCEDURES, RULES AND REGULATIONS: Motion made by Alderman Winter for approval of the new Citizen’s Park fire pit permit/rental, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Lang questioned if there would be a limitation on the miles per hour of the wind. Director Gentile stated no because it is difficult to determine the miles per hour of the wind. Director Gentile said he tested it when it was windy out and it held up pretty well. The fire pit is in the ground, which helps keep the fire contained. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.
CLOSED SESSION

FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS CLOSED SESSION

FOR THE PURPOSE OF SETTING THE LEASE PRICE FOR A PROPERTY

Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes from the previous closed session and for the purpose of setting the lease price for a property, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang 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 Brust. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

In the closed session, the City Council accepted the minutes of the August 15, 2017 closed session.

NEW BUSINESS – CONTINUED

APPROVAL OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH JENNIFER JONES FOR 113 NORTH GENOA STREET, UNIT 1: Motion made by Alderman Carroll for approval of an agreement from 8/1/17 to 11/30/17, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Misurelli reported that there is a business interested in the City’s low interest loan program. He also reported that the bridge project on Route 23 and I90 is going well. It will be considerably wide and would accommodate an interchange if established in the future.

Public Works – Director Gentile stated there is no update on the water tower. The digester project is going well. Public Works is cleaning up the park area in preparation for Volksfest. He announced that there would be helicopter rides this year at the Volksfest on Sunday. The helicopter would take off and land on the open land next to the water treatment plant.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that his department is preparing for homecoming on Friday and the Volksfest events. He also stated that at least one of the new squad cars will be ready within the next week. Chief Smith also reported that there have been some heroin incidents in town, in which some overdoses have occurred.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Vicary reported that it will be a very busy weekend with the homecoming parade, football game, Rockin’ the Kish, Volksfest and the Duck Race.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Carroll, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust and Lang were present. Aldermen Cravatta was absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of September 5, 2017, seconded by Alderman Brust. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes, except Alderman Wesner who abstained. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of September 2017 in the amount of $314,266.07, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for October 5th. A petition for an amendment to Special Use Permit for Minnihan’s outdoor seating was presented at the last Plan Commission meeting held on September 14th. It is on tonight’s agenda for the City Council to review and potentially approve. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for October 12, 2017. Mr. Misurelli indicated that there is likely going to be a Plan Commission meeting on that date to discuss another upcoming project.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF MAYORAL APPOINTMENT TO THE LIQUOR COMMISSION: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson for approval of Alderman Dennis Di Guido’s appointment to the Liquor Commission to fill a vacant position, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW A REAR OUTDOOR SEATING AREA FOR MINNIHAN’S AT 209 W MAIN STREET: Motion made by Alderman Wesner for approval of the outdoor seating special use permit and delete original request for a deck, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE RIVERS’ MEXICAN CANTINA AND GRILL LOAN REQUEST FROM THE REVOLVING LOAN FUND: Motion made by Alderman Carroll for approval of a new low interest business loan, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Maria Garcia introduced herself. She has been instrumental in bringing the involved parties together to bring the Rivers’ Mexican Cantina
and Grill to Genoa. Ms. Garcia is excited about this business coming to Genoa as it will have an upscale urban Mexican atmosphere, which she believes that in addition to Genoa, it will attract people from other cities and towns. Ms. Garcia also hopes that the opening of the Rivers’ Mexican Cantina and Grill will encourage other businesses to come to Genoa as well. Ms. Garcia was asked if they currently have another restaurant at another location. She responded no, but the operator has over 15 years of experience and she can attest that the businesses that the operator has worked for have been very successful. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MUNICIPAL BUILDING EAST ENTRANCE DOOR/WINDOW REPLACEMENT NOT TO EXCEED $7,198.98: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the Casco Industries proposal to replace the East entrance at City Hall and install automatic door system for handicap accessibility, seconded by Alderman Winter. Alderman Carroll asked if we are just replacing what we currently have or is it something completely different. Director Gentile responded that it will be different due to it being ADA compliant. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL FOR DIGESTER TANK REPAIRS NOT TO EXCEED $14,908.00: Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve digester tank repairs by Certified Welder and Pipe Fitter, seconded by Alderman Winter. Alderman Carroll asked if we received any other quotes. Director Gentile responded yes, but the second quote was more expensive. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 5, CHAPTER 4, SECTION 10, OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GENOA – CONCEALED WEAPONS: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson for approval of an Ordinance to amend the City Code regarding concealed weapons to meet the Illinois Concealed Carry Laws, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION
Motion made by Alderman Winter to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous closed session and for the purpose of setting a lease price for a property, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

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

In closed session, the minutes of the previous closed session were accepted.

NEW BUSINESS – CONTINUED

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH SCOTT HERRON, BARBER, TO LEASE CITY PROPERTY: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido for approval of a lease agreement for 113 North Genoa Street, Unit 1 for 12/15/17 to 12/31/18, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Scott Herron introduced himself and stated that since he left corporate America in 2014 to become a Barber, he has dreamed of opening his own
He wanted the Barber Shop to be located in a small, growing and strong community. He stated that the moment he and his husband stepped foot in Genoa, he knew it was what they have been looking for. He believes that Genoa and his Barber Shop will be a great fit and plans to open in January 2018. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE NOTIFICATION FOR EXERCISE OF THE OPTION UNDER AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE GENOA TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT BY THE CITY OF GENOA:** Motion made by Alderman Lang for approval of an extension of the Park Districts agreement with the City for the Fitness Center, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Administrative Report** – Consultant Misurelli reported that there is a Commercial Project that will be on the Plan Commission agenda for the October 12th meeting. Mr. Misurelli stated that he met with the Developer earlier today and at least one of the business proposed will be a Dunkin Donuts. Mr. Misurelli also stated that the new Police Department sign is up. Alderman Carroll questioned what businesses are located at the Northeast corner of Prairie Street. Mr. Misurelli stated that there are currently 2 firearm businesses and some sort of antique shop.

**Public Works** – Director Gentile reported that the South Water Tower is currently grey. It has been sand blasted and primed. He stated the project is moving along nicely and we should start seeing some color in the next week or so. Alderman Lang questioned if there is a maintenance program for our street lights. She indicated that there are some street lights in the back of the Oak Creek Subdivision that are not functioning properly. Mr. Gentile responded that calls should be made to City Hall with the location of the light that is out. City Hall will initiate a service request to ComEd. Council complimented Director Gentile and his department for all the work they did at Carroll Park to prepare for Volksfest.

**Police Department** – Acting Chief Greg Edwards reported that one of the new squads is done. It has newer equipment inside and is considered a “slick top”, which means there’s no light bar on top of the squad. Alderman Carroll stated that she heard that it was very nice that the Police Department was well represented at the Volksfest.

**Mayor’s Report** – The helicopter rides that were cancelled at the Volksfest have been rescheduled for September 30th and the last Farmers Market is scheduled for this Saturday, September 23rd.

**Announcements** – Mayor Vicary informed Council that there is a luncheon with Senator Pritchard on Thursday if any of them are interested in attending.

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 at 7:54 p.m.
CITY OF GENOA  
City Hall  
City Council Meeting  
October 3, 2017  
7:00 P.M.

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, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust and Lang were present. Aldermen Cravatta arrived late.

Mayor pro tem Stevenson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of September 19, 2017, seconded by Alderman Winter. 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 September 2017 in the amount of $144,721.27, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried. *Alderman Cravatta had not joined the meeting yet, so he did not vote.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for October 5th at 9:00 am. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for October 12, 2017.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY 2016-2017 AUDIT REPORT: Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve the acceptance of the FY 2016-2017 Audit Report, seconded by Alderman Brust. Brian LeFevre, a partner of Sikich, LLP was in attendance to present a summary regarding the report results from the audit for fiscal year ending April 30, 2017. The City of Genoa received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 11th consecutive year. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MEYER PAVING INC. PROPOSAL FOR PAVEMENT IMPROVEMENTS TO DUVAL STREET NOT TO EXCEED $16,850.00: Motion made by Alderman Wesner for approval of proposal for Duval Street repairs, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.
DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Misurelli reported that the fall newsletters have been mailed out. He also stated that we, as well as other surrounding communities, are significantly struggling with the cost of the Police Pension Fund. Mr. Misurelli indicated that the Municipal League has contacted us recently to let us know that they are looking at the issue and they have at least 5 proposed bills, different alternatives that they hope to introduce at the next legislative session. They hope that moving forward, any newly hired full time Officer would be enrolled in IMRF, which would be more affordable at 9% as opposed to 60%. It would also be constitutional since it would not affect existing benefits. Mr. Misurelli will keep everyone updated as more information is provided. Alderman Carroll questioned why the factory on Railroad Street does not have a permit for all of the work they are doing from when it caught fire a few months ago. Office Manager, Jan Tures stated that they are working with our Building Inspector, Paul Kruse and they have a permit for a remodel. She believes they must not have it posted. Mr. Misurelli stated that the City will contact them regarding having the permit posted.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that the South Water Tower project is moving along, there’s been a bit of a delay due to the wind, but the logo should be on in about a week or so. He believes the digester project should be completed in the next couple of weeks. Public Works will be putting up the fall decorations downtown this week.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that part time officer Billy Meiser resigned due to accepting a full time position in Sandwich, IL. Officer Gates is still working at the school. She has taken several calls at the school ranging from drug offenses to disorderly conduct. The 2nd squad is in. The Police Department has ordered a body camera. Once it is in, policies and procedures will need to be created to ensure everything is operating efficiently and effectively before it’s mandated that all officers must wear them. He is unsure of when it will be mandated. Illinois Chiefs of Police are in the process of creating a model policy. Chief Smith stated that there are a couple people interested in dispatching for Genoa. We are waiting to hear back from them with a proposed cost. Alderman Lang asked if the school is paying Officer Gates. Chief Smith responded no, but we are trying to work it out where the school will pay for half of her salary. Alderman Wesner asked how the current situation is with the Crossing Guards. Chief Smith responded that we haven’t had any complaints in a while. He stated it is difficult sometimes because when a Crossing Guard is sick, hurt or gone for the winter, we don’t have enough substitutes to fill in. Alderman Carroll questioned if there are any rules regarding items sold by the cash registers in the front of the gas stations because there are a lot of children that go in there to buy candy and certain items should be in the back of the store. Chief Smith responded that we could possibly talk to them about it, but there are no regulations regarding that. Alderman Cravatta asked if people are allowed to park in an alley. Chief Smith responded that if trucks are making a delivery and then leave, it is ok, but people cannot shut their vehicle off and leave it there for an extended period of time. If they do, the police should be called and they will be ticketed.

Mayor’s Report – None

Announcements – Alderman Cravatta announced that he is having a Halloween party on October 28th. Everyone is invited.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of October 3, 2017, seconded by Alderman Lang. 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 October 2017 in the amount of $272,107.02 seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2017 at 9:00 am. It will be the quarterly round table meeting. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for December 14, 2017 at 7:00 pm. It will be for the B&V Main/Prairie Street Project (Dunkin Donuts), that was continued from the October 5th Plan Commission meeting.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GENOA, DEKALB COUNTY, ILLINOIS, TO RECYCLE OUTDATED ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT: Motion made by Alderman Brust for approval for the disposal of old electronic equipment from City Hall, the Police Department and Public Works Department through recycling, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF AN ITEM OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF GENOA: Motion made by Alderman Winter for approval for the Police Department to auction 29 bicycles, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Chief Smith was asked if this would be a public auction and if it will just be bicycles being auctioned. He responded yes to both questions. Chief Smith was also asked how the auction would be publicized. He responded that it will be posted by the City Hall and Police Department entrances, as well as on Facebook. He believes the auction will take place around the second week of November in the parking lot. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL FOR CITY TREE TRIMMING AND REMOVAL, NOT TO EXCEED $7200.00: Motion made by Alderman Wesner for approval of A-1 Tree & Stump Removal Company’s proposal for annual City tree trimming and removal, seconded by Alderman Brust. Public Works Director, Rich Gentile was asked if the quotes are comparable to ones in the past.
He responded yes, but sometimes it depends on the severity of the tree or other variables; the larger the tree and/or the more trees there are, the more expensive it is. Alderman Carroll asked about the status of the infected ash trees. Director Gentile responded that there are 15 ash trees left, but he is unsure if they are all affected, so they are keeping an eye on them for signs of deterioration. Alderman Brust asked if the City is replacing the trees that are removed. Director Gentile responded yes and in 2012, the City received a grant for approximately 90 trees, so that has helped us to keep the program going. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL FOR TRAVEL, MEAL AND LODGING EXPENSES:** Motion made by Alderman Cravatta for approval of travel, meal and hotel expenses for the Mayor to attend the Annual IPELRA Conference in Bloomington from October 21st to October 25th, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

*Administrative Report* – Consultant Misurelli reported that we have closed on the low interest loan for Rivers Mexican Cantina and Grill today. It has been funded and they are buying equipment and getting set up. Alderman Carroll asked if they own the space. Consultant Misurelli responded no, that they are renting from the owner of the strip mall. Mayor Vicary stated that he believes they have started a Facebook page if anyone is interested in their progress.

*Public Works* – Director Gentile reported that the logo is on the South Water Tower. He said they still have a little bit of exterior painting to do. They are also installing corrosion protection to help prevent rust. He indicated that we will begin filling the tower and within the next week and a half, it should be up and running at full capacity. Alderman Carroll asked if there were adjustments made to the sirens because they were very clear today. Director Gentile responded no, it was just a clear day with not a lot of wind, so it was easier to hear them. Alderman Lang asked if Hill Street will be patched where the main break was, before winter. Director Gentile responded yes, along with other areas that need to be patched.

*Police Department* – Chief Smith reported that trick or treat hours will be from 4 pm to 7 pm on October 31st. There will be 3 officers on duty to help minimize the vandalism that we have had in the past. He also stated that there is an officer out with a back injury, so they are filling shifts. He hopes the officer will be back in 2 to 3 weeks. Alderman Lang asked if there have been incidents in the evening hours with kids. Chief Smith responded that there hasn’t been anything reported with juveniles. He said most of the reports have been domestics and DUI’s. He believes that with Officer Gates at the school, it has helped alleviate some of the juvenile reports that the City gets.

*Mayor’s Report* – Mayor Vicary indicated that the United Way Committee is looking for a place to have their meetings and put things together for their community projects. He asked the Aldermen if they would be opposed to sharing their office space with United Way. The Aldermen were receptive to the idea, as long as it doesn’t interfere with City meetings.

*Announcements* – None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.
CITY OF GENOA  
City Hall  
City Council Meeting  
November 7, 2017  
7:00 P.M.

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

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of October 17, 2017, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. 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 October 2017 in the amount of $322,664.57 seconded by Alderman Carroll. Alderman Carroll questioned line item #3 regarding brakes for one of the Public Works trucks. The cost was $2777.52. Director Gentile responded that he would do a follow up and report back. Alderman Lang asked how many vests were purchased for line item #32. Chief Smith responded it was for 1 vest and vest cover. Alderman Lang also asked if the first aid kits under forestry supplies on line item #28 were for the trucks. Director Gentile responded yes. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2017 at 9:00 am. It will be the quarterly round table meeting. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for December 14, 2017 at 7:00 pm. It will be for the B&V Main/Prairie Street Project (Dunkin Donuts).

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

NIU PRESENTATION: The President of NIU, Lisa Freeman, Teddy Bowe of the NIU Student Senate, Liz McKee of the NIU Alumni Association, the NIU Mascot, Mission and other ROTC members recognized the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce and the City of Genoa with proclamations and NIU flags, for our efforts in promoting partnerships with schools and communities and participating in Red & Black Fridays for Husky Pride.

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND APPROVAL OF A LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR OCCASIONAL USE BY THE GENOA-KINGSTON UNITED WAY OF A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY AT 333 E FIRST STREET BY THE CITY OF GENOA: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido for authorization to execute the license agreement with the Genoa-Kingston United Way for City property use, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR INSURANCE: Motion made by Alderman Carroll for authorization to execute and approve the agreement with Arthur J Gallagher Risk Management Services, effective, 12/31/2017 to 12/31/2018
and IMLRMA coverage termination as of 12/31/2017, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE 2017 TAX LEVY DETERMINATION FOR THE CITY OF GENOA:**
Motion made by Alderman Wesner for approval of the 2017 tax levy for the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Winter. Alderman Carroll asked why the taxes for Derby Estates were reduced. Finance Office Manager & Treasurer, Jan Tures explained that it was an assessed value and we’re still at the 5%, but it just ends up being less. The City doesn’t need that much for Derby Estates, so we are just keeping it within range. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Alderman Lang abstained. Motion carried.

**ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 9, CHAPTER 3, SECTION 1 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GENOA, BUILDING PERMIT FEES:**
Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve building code changes regarding additions to industrial and commercial structures, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Alderman Carroll questioned why we are changing the existing permits. Mayor Vicary responded that we currently have a few on-going projects and the fees for building new and the fees for remodeling are different. They should be the same for consistency and to lure businesses into town and make it more attractive for them to build. Alderman Carroll asked what the status of Alan Browne’s project is. Mayor Vicary responded that the project is underway and they have issued the City a check, but wanted a fee schedule with itemized fees because they would like to build the foundation before the end of the year and finish the project in 2018. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Administrative Report** – Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss stated that the State of the City Address will be on Thursday, November 16th and if any council members would like to attend, please let her know and she will get them registered.

**Public Works** – Director Gentile reported that flags for Veteran’s Day will be going up downtown on Thursday, November 9th and will be taken down on Monday or Tuesday of the following week. Alderman Lang asked if the tree trimming is done for the season. Director Gentile responded there is a little bit more that needs to be done.

**Police Department** – Chief Smith reported that one of our Officer’s will be attending the service for the Rockford Officer that was recently killed in the line of duty. He also reported that there were no incidents reported on Halloween. Lastly, he reported that one of the squad cars was damaged when one of our officer’s was assisting County out at Russell Woods. The car clipped a tree. Alderman Carroll stated that the fence by PolarTech on Railroad is almost out on the street. Director Gentile responded that it is a construction fence and they are allowed to have it there since it is not blocking traffic. Director Gentile said he will take a look to see if they are out of the realm of what the City approved. Mayor Vicary asked if anyone knew the timeline of when the construction will be completed. Director Gentile responded that he is unsure of where they are with the project. Chief Smith responded that he believes they have cleared everything out, but have not started building anything yet.

**Mayor’s Report** – None

**Announcements** – None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of November 7, 2017, seconded by Alderman Brust. 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 November 2017 in the amount of $830,060.20, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Alderman Carroll commented that on line item #25 for Menards, she would like those items purchased in Genoa. Director Gentile responded that we try to buy locally, but cannot always get everything we need in town. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2017 at 9:00 am. It will be the quarterly round table meeting. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for December 14, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS - None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – City Consultant Misurelli had no report.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that Christmas decorations would be going up after Thanksgiving and Christmas music will start playing at that time as well.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that the squad car that was damaged is fixed and back in the fleet. He also reported that the bomb threat to the high school the week before went smoothly. It was traced to a 17 year old in the State of Washington. The threat was actually intended for another GK school in Washington, but we received it in error. A few council members stated that they heard from several people that the police department did a great job handling the situation. They stated that the police presence at the school made the kids feel safe. Mayor Vicary recognized Chief Smith and the Genoa Police Department for their tremendous work in handling the situation. The situation manifested on Sunday afternoon and by Monday morning, they had obtained 3 bomb sniffing dogs, the assistance of 5 other police agencies and had the FBI involved. Mayor Vicary stated that he is very proud of what they were able to achieve in such a short period of time.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Vicary reported that the State of the City Address was a success. Approximately 85 people attended, including some of the high school students.

Announcements – Celebrate the Season will be on Friday, December 1st at 6:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.
Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Lang were present. Aldermen Carroll and Brust were absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of November 21, 2017, 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 second half of November 2017, in the amount of $510,914.84, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2017. It will be the quarterly round table meeting and will begin at 9:00 A.M. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for December 14, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL 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 Di Guido to approve reduced permit fees for new home construction in 2018, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, POLICE COMMISSION AND TREE BOARD: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve new appointments to the Commissions and Boards to fill vacancies, seconded by Alderman Lang. Alderman Stevenson asked why Perog from Genoa Pharmacy stepped down. Consultant Misurelli stated it was due to business demands making it difficult for him. Alderman Lang asked if there are any more vacancies on the Commissions and Board. Consultant responded no, they are all currently appointed. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.
DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – None

Public Works – None

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that Celebrate the Season turned out well. The officer that was out of work for an injury returned to work, so that will help the department. Chief Smith also reported that he submitted a proposal to the school regarding Officer Gates, to either have her continue to work three days a week or have her there for the entire 180 day school year. Alderman Di Guido questioned how Officer Gates’ compensation would be handled. Chief Smith responded that if Officer Gates continues to work at the school three days a week, the school will be responsible for 50% of her pay. If the school would like her there for the entire school year, the City will be responsible for some of the compensation because Officer Gates will still be taking police calls for the City. Alderman Di Guido asked if Officer Gates would be a full time employee outside of the school year. Chief Smith responded no because as long as she works under 1560 hours, she will not be benefit eligible and she will not reach that many hours. Alderman Winter questioned how many hours a day Officer Gates would work at the school. Chief Smith responded that it would be 8 hours per day. Chief Smith indicated that if the school accepts the proposal, a separate line item in the budget will be created, so the part time officer budget does not get depleted.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Vicary stated that the Celebrate the Season was a success.

Announcements – Mayor Vicary announced that the Chamber of Commerce Ugly Sweater Christmas party is Wednesday, December 13th at 5:30. He stated if anyone was interested in attending, to let staff know.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:13 P.M.
CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
December 19, 2017
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Vicary opened the public hearing for the 2017 tax levies and the extension of the cable television franchise agreement with Charter Communications at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. Alderman Stevenson was absent. The tax levies are for All Corporate Purposes and also the Special Service Areas of Riverbend, Derby Estates and Oak Creek Estates, for the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois, for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of May, 2017 and ending the 30th day of April 2018. Also, the City of Genoa has had a franchise agreement with Charter Communications for several years. Staff drafted a significantly altered franchise agreement from the original proposed agreement from Charter Communications and has been negotiating the agreement for approximately 2 years. The new franchise agreement will be valid for 10 years instead of 5 years. The City will also have authority to conduct public works and public improvements, enforce codes and ordinances and reserve the rights of City in and on Public Ways. Charter Communications will also be extending their services in 2018 to Derby Estates and the new phase of Oak Creek Estates. There were no 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 7:05 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter, 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 approve the minutes from the December 5, 2017 City Council meeting, 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 December 2017 in the amount of $755,619.06, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Carroll asked how many sweatshirts were purchased for line item #25. Director Gentile responded 8 zip-up sweatshirts were purchased for his staff. Director Gentile was also asked if the lights for line item #30 included lights for the downtown Christmas tree. He responded yes, in addition to replacement lights for the ones that no longer worked. Director Gentile stated that the tree has approximately 12,000 lights on it. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – Mr. Gordon Jones, a resident who lives on Pebble Beach Drive in Genoa, asked what time the Christmas tree lights are supposed to come on. The response was 4 p.m. Council stated that the tree lights are controlled by Heartland Bank and they also pay the electric bill for the tree lights.
COMMITTEE REPORTS

City Consultant, Joe Misurelli reported that the next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for January 4, 2018 and the next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2018.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING THE PROVISIONS OF AN ADOPTED ECONOMIC INCENTIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GENOA AND ALAN BROWNE CHEVROLET, INC: Motion made by Alderman Cravatta for approval to adopt the property tax abatement incentive program, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Cravatta, Brust, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Winter voted yes. Alderman Lang abstained. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE ABATING THE TAX HERETOFORE LEVIED FOR THE YEAR 2017 TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON $1,250,000.00 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2005, OF THE CITY OF GENOA, ILLINOIS: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt an Ordinance abating the tax levy for bond principal of and interest on $139,250.00, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE ABATING THE TAX HERETOFORE LEVIED FOR THE YEAR 2017 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 Wesner to adopt an Ordinance abating the tax levy for bond principal & interest of $66,875.00, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang 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, 2017 AND ENDING ON THE 30TH DAY OF APRIL, 2018: Motion made by Alderman Winter to adopt an Ordinance for an annual tax levy for Riverbend SSA - $61,090.00, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido 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, 2017 AND
ENDING ON THE 30TH DAY OF APRIL, 2018: Motion made by Alderman Winter to adopt an Ordinance for an annual tax levy for Derby Estates SSA - $6,800.00, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido 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, 2017 AND ENDING ON THE 30TH DAY OF APRIL 2018: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt an Ordinance for an annual tax levy for Oak Creek Estates unit 4 - $3,150.00, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido 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, 2017 AND ENDING ON THE 30TH DAY OF APRIL, 2018: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt an Ordinance levying taxes for all corporate purposes for the City of Genoa -$719,000.00, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND THE APPROVAL OF A FRANCHISE AGREEMENT EXTENSION WITH CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve a franchise agreement between the City of Genoa and Charter Communications, seconded by Alderman Wesner. City Consultant, Joe Misurelli stated that the City of Genoa has had a franchise agreement with Charter Communications for several years. Staff drafted a significantly altered franchise agreement from the original proposed agreement from Charter Communications and has been negotiating the agreement for approximately 2 years. The new franchise agreement will be valid for 10 years instead of 5 years. The City will also have authority to conduct public works and public improvements, enforce codes and ordinances and reserve the rights of City in and on Public Ways. Charter Communications will also be extending their services in 2018 to Derby Estates and the new phase of Oak Creek Estates. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE SIKICH LLP AUDIT PROPOSAL FOR 2018: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve the Sikich LLP Audit Proposal for 2018, not to exceed $17,850.00 and Police Pension audit fee not to exceed $2,175.00, seconded by Alderman Lang. Finance Office Manager & Treasurer, Jan Tures was asked if the fees are reasonable. She responded yes because the audit is very thorough and time consuming due to the auditors having to go through paperwork regarding every facet of the City’s finances. Jan also stated that Sikich has been an excellent resource for her when needed. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.
DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – City Consultant Misurelli reported that the bridge is done at Route 23 & I90. He also stated that McHenry County has approved an interchange at that location. They are trying to get surrounding Cities & Counties to assist in paying for the interchange. It will be quite some time before it progresses, but it is in the works.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that Cleary will be starting the cold storage building the beginning of January 2018. Rich was asked if the footing for the building would be able to be done in the winter. He responded yes.

Police Department – Acting Chief, Greg Edwards reported that there was a bomb threat at the Genoa Post Office earlier that day. He stated that NIU brought their bomb dog down and postal investigators from Carol Stream came to the site and are assisting with the situation. They have determined that there was no bomb.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Vicary had no report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mayor Vicary stated that the December 26, 2017 City of the Whole meeting is cancelled.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.