

CITY OF GENOA  
City Hall  
City Council Meeting Minutes  
August 4, 2020  
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, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

***\*\*Mayor Vicary announced that the 2<sup>nd</sup> item on the agenda regarding the powers of the Building Inspector was removed from the agenda to be discussed at a later date.***

**Guest Speaker** – None

Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve the minutes of the July 21, 2020 City Council meeting, 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 second half of July 2020 in the amount of \$108,580.46, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Line item #18 to Frontier was questioned. Finance Office Manager & Treasurer Jan Tures explained that the expense is for all of the City phone lines. Roll vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

**ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE** – Executive Director of the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce, Krissy Johnson addressed Council. She provided an update as to how the Chamber is moving forward with scheduled events. She indicated that the Golf Outing is still on; the Great Genoa Duck Race will be virtual; the Volksmarch will still be taking place, but the Craft Beer & Wine Festival portion of the Volksfest, Rocking the Kish and the Fall Crawl have been cancelled. She also stated that the Business Expo is scheduled for October 17, 2020, but she is unsure if it will be allowed to be held inside the school. She will keep the City apprised. She thanked the City & Council members for their support during these unprecedented times.

**OLD BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS:** Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve an Ordinance authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds (alternate revenue source) of the City in an aggregate principal amount, not to exceed \$2,500,000, to finance street, sidewalk and alley improvements and related public infrastructure projects in and for the City, seconded by Alderman Lang. There was no discussion. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO POWERS OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR:** *This item was removed from the agenda to be discussed at a later date.*

**CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO GOLF CARTS:** Motion made by Alderman Cravatta to approve an Ordinance creating Title 6, Chapter 6, Golf Carts, of the Municipal Code of the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Alderman Cravatta began the discussion by requesting several amendments be made to the proposed Ordinance. After a lengthy discussion, the following amendments were agreed upon: adding Utility Terrain Vehicles to the Ordinance, as they have seats, seat belts, turn signals and steering wheels; changing the age from 18 years old to 16 years old with a valid Driver's License in order to operate a Golf Cart or UTV; lowering the application fee from \$100 to \$75; removing the time restrictions that the Golf Cart/UTV can be operated due to them having lights & turn signals; removing the requirement of anyone under the age of 5 years old not being allowed to be transported in these vehicles, due to car seats having the ability to be strapped securely into the vehicle seat and lastly to add verbiage regarding the decibel levels of the UTV's. There was some concern regarding UTV's riding on wooded trails and was suggested to put signage and barriers to avoid that from happening. There was also the concern of public safety and burdening the Police Department with calls of people disregarding the rules. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang, voted yes. Alderman Stevenson voted no. Motion carried.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

*Administrative Report* – None

*Finance Report* – None

*Public Works* – Director Gentile reported that mosquito abatement is not really warranted at this time and also referenced the memo in the packet regarding Chiller repairs.

*Police Department* – Chief Smith reported that school will be starting on Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The families that have decided to do the hybrid learning will alternate days between attending in-school and remote learning at home. Chief Smith stated that he will be the School Resource Officer; the radios are now working and Officer Hoffstead has signed up for his K-9 class.

*Mayor's Report* – Mayor Vicary announced that Administrative Director, Alyssa Seguss had her baby on July 29<sup>th</sup> and welcomed Jack Riley Seguss to the City of Genoa family.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Lions Club will be having a drive-thru pork chop dinner fundraiser on August 7<sup>th</sup> @ 4 p.m. at the Genoa Township Park District.

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 8:08 p.m.