

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting Minutes
September 1, 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, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. Alderman Carroll was absent. Motion made by Alderman Brust to allow Alderman Di Guido to attend the meeting remotely due to a work related absence, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Voice voted was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve the minutes of the August 18, 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 August 2020 in the amount of \$90,365.97, seconded by Alderman Winter. Line item #47 to Verizon was questioned. Alderman Cravatta asked who from the City has cell phones that are included in that cost. Finance Office Manager & Treasurer, Jan Tures responded that the Mayor, Department Heads (excluding herself), Public Works Staff and Police Department Staff have City issued cell phones. Roll vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE - None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER PROPOSALS FOR BOND REGISTRAR AND PAYING AGENT FEES FOR THE CITY'S PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE BOND: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve a proposal from Zions Bancorporation for Bond Registrar and paying Agent fees for the City's 2020 Public Infrastructure Bond, not to exceed \$4,650, seconded by Alderman Wesner. There was no discussion. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Combined with Finance Report

Finance Report – Finance Office Manager & Treasurer, Jan Tures reported that Beth Fowler is interested in increasing the amount of her façade grant for additional upgrades and building permits are up 92 from last year at this time, along with 8 new construction homes. Treasurer Tures indicated that she is currently preparing for a 2-hour phone call with S&P to get the City's Bond Rating.

Public Works – Director Gentile briefly went over the Zoom meeting he attended with the Kishwaukee Water Reclamation District, Baxter & Woodman, the Village of Kingston and the

Village of Kirkland, regarding the Northern DeKalb County Sewer Study. He expressed that the primary goal was to identify where the Communities would like the sewer lines to run. He indicated that the sewer main would run down Route 72 from Kirkland to Genoa. Director Gentile indicated that if the expansion does go through, the Kishwaukee Water Reclamation District would be responsible for the sewer main. Concern from Council was that if the City relinquishes control, the District could possibly sky-rocket the rates. Director Gentile acknowledged that it is a possibility, but City Attorney Slingerland would review the contract agreement to help protect the City's interests. There will be additional information provided at a later date, as this project is in the very beginning stages.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that school started August 31st and no issues so far; the new squad is done and is outside if anyone wanted to see it and 3 Golf Cart/UTV applications have been received. Chief explained the application process and indicated that the information is on the City Website.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Vicary announced that former Alderman Joanne Watson passed away and flowers were sent on behalf of City Council & Staff. He then reported that the Celebration of Life for Don Anderson will be on October 3, 2020 at the VFW; the City will present Don's wife with a flag box and proclamation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Di Guido stated that he attended a Property Taxation Webinar that was presented by State Representative, Jeff Keicher. He indicated that it had great fundamental knowledge. He indicated that he would forward the PowerPoint Presentation to Treasurer Tures, who will in-turn forward it to Council.

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 7:35 p.m.