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Minutes of VILLAGE OF GENOA COUNCIL

Meeting

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Held January 5,

1987

Mayor Michael Despones called the meeting to order with the pledge to the flag. Clerk-Treasurer Barbara Smith called the roll as follows: Mr. Bower, present; Mr. Verkin, present; Mr. Harbal, present; Mr. Skilliter, present; Mr. Miller present; Mrs. Donley absent (5) present.

Minutes from the previous meetings having been furnished to council Verkin moved and Skilliter seconded to approve as presented. Roll call vote as follows. Yeas. Bower, Verkin, Harbal, Skilliter and Miller. (5) Nays None.

Resolution 1-87

Verkin moved and Bower seconded to direct Mr. McConn or Mr. Cottrell to draw-up an Ordinance setting the water rates, fees and turn on rate, inspection rate, and labor for installation of new meters with readers. Roll call vote as follows: Yeas; Bower, Verkin Harbal, Skilliter and Miller (5) Nays None.

Village Administrator presented his report on the water take-over and State Route 51 resurfacing.

Clerk-Treasurer reported that the Resolution providing for the replacement levy for the Recreation department will need to be reworded as the information received by her from the Board of elections indicated that a replacement levy is not possible for the Park. Additionally there will not be a primary this spring the levy will need to be filed for the fall election.

Park Board Report

Mayor Despones re-appointed Norm Smith to the Park Board.

Zoning Board

Harold Wepler gave an annual Zoning report.

Mayors Report

Mayor Despones reported the seating for council will remain the same 1986.

1987 Committees as follows:

Streets and Sidewalks

Roger Miller, Chm. John Harbal and Jack Bower

Utilities

Jack Bower Chm. Water, Joe Verkin Chm Sewer and Roger Miller Chm Electric.

Finance

Robert Skilliter, Chm. Jack Bower and Joe Verkin.

Safety

Joe Verkin, Chm. Roger Miller, and Robert Skilliter

Maintenance

Cladys Donley, Chm. John Harbal.

AdHoc

Robert Skilliter, Chm. Roger Miller and Joe Verkin

Zoning

Harold Wepler, Admr. Todd Buehler, Chm, Craig Emahiser, Jim Firestone Dave Weyandt and Joe Verkin.

Economic Development Joe Verkin

Insurance Committee

John Harbal, Chm Gladys Donley and Roger Miller

Income Tax Review Board

Steve Cottrell, Chm. Robert Skilliter Secy and Jack Bower.

Mayor Despones asked for a motion to nominate Jerry Neff as Street Commissioner. Motion made by Bower and seconded by Harbal to name Jerry Neff as Street Commissioner. Roll call vote Yeas; Bower, Verkin Harbal, Skilliter and Miller. (5) Nays None.

Bower nominated Verkin as Council President. Miller seconded the motion. Skilliter moved the nominations be closed. Roll-call vote; Yeas; Bower, Harbal, Skilliter and Miller (4) Verkin Abstain (1).

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Mayor Despones gave his State of the Village Address

Unlike the Poverbial Polirical Promise - made and then forgotten.. this council has virtually accomplished all they promised to do in 1986.

. A Village Administrator was hired April 1986.

. Nearly all of the processes and paperwork for taking over the water distribution system is complete. It is literally days away. We also have reduced the debt by some \$169,000. Plans are now underway to repair and improve the system after years of inattention.

. Great Strides have been made in collecting past due utility bills, again after years of inattention.

. Our new computer system is on order and should be running in about 90 days. This system will provide more accurate billings on a more timely basis.

. The nine acres purchased over a decade ago has finally taken on the appearance of a recreational area instead of a bean field. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources has approved the expansion and the Village will receive their grant reimbursement. When completed Genoa will have a first rate baseball/softball complex second to none.

. Our economic Development Committee that was formed to promote retention and expansion of existing area businesses and to attract new businesses has been very active. They are working in conjunction with the The Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce. A Brochure extolling the many benefits of the area should be ready for distribution shortly.

. Our Police Department has been strengthened by the addition of one more full time officer. That addition will proved the citizens with 132 hours of protection per week. Just slightly less than the desired 168 hours.

. We have started a long delayed program of upgrading our electric distribution system. Plans are to replace 1/3 of our utility poles and to standardize our voltage. We will continue our partifipation in AMP-OHIO which enables us to provide electricity at rates approximately 25% lower than Toledo Edison

The year 1986 was probably Genoa's most progressive year in recent memory. It was not without many hours of hardwork by this council. Clerk-Treasurer, Village Administrator, Village Solicitor and all Village Employees. But, 1987 is a New Year and with it comes a new list of priorities. The management controls and the restructuring of our revenue generating departments will continue.

. I would like to see a combining of our Street Department and our Utility Department. Creating a Department of Public Works. his will enable us to move our employees into priority work areas regardless of what Department they are assigned to.

. Employee wages will be addressed to bring them up to industry standards.

. Our sidewalk repair and replacement program has been the topic of much discussion. I hope we will have something 'concrete' (if you'll pardon the pun) by midyear.

. The Ohio E.P.A. required modifications to our sewer system will continue to be planned for these modifications are extensive and very costly. We will continue to search for funding.

. Our tree trimming and removal program will continue on a priority basis. Although this program, in many cases, exceeds our manpower availability, we will continue to take care of the more critical areas.

Years ago someone, somewhere, said "After everything is said and done, more is said than done"... That person certainly was not referring to this council... I thank them all very much.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets - Mr. Miller stated they will be meeting before the next council meeting.

Finance Mr. Skilliter reported on the meeting after the last council meeting and areas to be brought up for discussion.
AdHoc none

Economic Development Mr. Verkin gave a report on their last meeting. and reported that Mr. McConn has contacted the Real Estate Department of ConRail concerning the right of way.

Mr. Skilliter moved and Bower seconded to go into Executive session to discuss a personnel matter. Roll call vote Yeas Bower, Verkin Harbal, Skilliter and Miller (5) Nays None. 8:10 pm

At 8:25 pm Mayor Despones declared the meeting in regular session

Engineers report

Ray Sanholtz of Poggemeyer Engineers gave an extensive report on the connecting, joint sewer system in the Village and maps of possible solutions to the overflow problems.

Discussions were held regarding the ODOT Route #51 - 45 mph request. Suggestions were made regarding a prepare to stop sign on order.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.


Mayor


Clerk Treasurer

