

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Genoa Village Council

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK CO., FORM NO. 10148

Held

in Council Chambers on May 1, 2000

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Mayor Verkin called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the pledge to the flag. Clerk/Treasurer Cremean called the roll: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLear, Mr. Avery, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Goodman, and Mrs. Slotnick. Also present was Mrs. Smith, Village Solicitor.

## APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

### AMENDMENTS TO THE MEETING OF APRIL 17<sup>th</sup>

In the opening paragraph on the first page, the words "Council President" should be added after "Mr. Bower."

### UNDER STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

The new member to the Tree Committee should be "Brian Cherry" rather than "Donna Cherry." In the third line add the words "to the community." after the word "service" and remove the words "on the Tree Committee." On page 3 in the second paragraph, third line, add the words "at this time" after "stop sign."

### UNDER ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/ZONING REPORT

In the second to last line change "Design and Review Board" to "Design Review Board."

Mr. Bower moved, second by Mr. Bittner to approve the minutes as amended. Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLear, Mr. Avery, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Goodman and Mrs. Slotnick all yeas (6). Motion passed.

### ENGINEER'S REPORT

No report.

### ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/ZONING REPORT

Mayor Verkin advised that Council had received a written report.

A copy of Mr. Adams' Administrator's report is on file in the Clerk/Treasurer's Office.

A copy of Mr. Adams' Zoning report is on file in the Clerk/Treasurer's Office.

### CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Cremean presented invoices in the amount of \$199,597.00 for payment. Mr. Bower moved, second by Mrs. McLear to pay the invoices. Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLear, Mr. Avery, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Goodman and Mrs. Slotnick all yeas (6). Motion passed.

Mr. Cremean advised Council that because he will be on vacation, he will not be in attendance at the meeting on June 20, 2000. Mr. Cremean advised that he made arrangements with Mr. Adams to see to the taking of minutes for that meeting.

Mrs. Slotnick inquired of Mr. Cremean as to how it was working out regarding his ease at getting the Council packets together. Mr. Cremean advised that Mary Ann was taking care of preparing the agendas, making the copies and sending the packets out. Mrs. Slotnick stated that it was her impression that in the Council rules that Council just recently adopted that this was the Clerk/Treasurer's job. Mr. Cremean advised that he was not aware that this change had taken place, but upon Mrs. Slotnick's advice, would be sure to obtain a copy of the rules.

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## RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

Mayor Verkin advised that Council had received a written report.

Mrs. Slotnick inquired of Mayor Verkin as to Item No. 2 of that report, asking specifically whether this was going to happen or whether Council has something to say about it. Mayor Verkin advised that with the Township owning the entrance to the park, it cannot be a one-way street.

Mrs. Slotnick inquired whether the request for Council approval would go to the Adhoc Committee or whether a decision was requested from Council that night. Mayor Verkin advised that a decision was not needed the night of the meeting and that the issue would either go to the Adhoc Committee or the Advisory Board.

## MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Verkin introduced Shelly Golden, who is Genoa's new Downtown Manager, and welcomed her aboard.

Mayor Verkin advised that the Ag Credit sign was down and in the garage repair shop. Mayor Verkin is attempting to get in touch with the art teacher at the school to see if she can paint the "downtown" on the top and then arrange to finish taking it apart and painting it. Mayor Verkin could not promise when this project would be finished.

Mayor Verkin advised that he has been approached about getting in touch with the Turnpike Commission to see if we could get a sign put up in Elmore directing traffic toward the Village. Mayor Verkin will see what he can accomplish on that issue.

Mayor Verkin referred everyone to a brochure regarding mosquito control. Mayor Verkin feels it is imperative that the Village go with this program.

Mayor Verkin received a letter from the Ottawa Regional Planning Commission, who requested an increase in their fees to the Village per person from \$.05 per capita to \$.08 per capita.

Motion by Mr. Bower to agree to the Ottawa Regional Planning Commission's request to increase their fee to the Village per person from \$.05 per capita to \$.08 per capita. Second by Mr. Bittner. Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLear, Mr. Avery, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Goodeman and Mrs. Slotnick all yeas (6). Motion passed.

Mayor Verkin advised that he received a letter from the Mayor of the City of Oregon thanking the Village for their participation in Oregon's water plan expansion.

Mayor Verkin addressed the power outage between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Streets and Superior and Buckeye. Mayor Verkin wanted to commend the Village crews for the speed in which they corrected the problem.

Mayor Verkin advised that the Village has received a Resolution from the Genoa American Legion requesting the Village's participation in the Memorial Day celebration.

Motion by Mr. Bower to participate in the Memorial Day celebration by donating \$25.00 to the Genoa American Legion. Second by Mrs. McLear. Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLear, Mr. Avery, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Goodeman and Mrs. Slotnick all yeas (6). Motion passed.

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Mayor Verkin announced that he has issued a Proclamation that states that May 4, 2000, is set aside for National Day of Prayer, and that the citizens of Genoa and the Genoa area will observe this day between the hours of 12:12 p.m. and 12:45 p.m. at the Village Hall.

#### ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

**Kelly Spears**, 1311 White Avenue, Fremont, Ohio. Ms. Spears addressed Council on behalf of the Gibsonburg Jaycees. Ms. Spears handed out a brochure highlighting the benefits of having a Jaycees Chapter and asked Council for permission to solicit residents for donations and membership for a Genoa Jaycees Chapter. This brochure is on file in the Clerk/Treasurer's Office.

Mrs. Slotnick inquired as to how solicitation for membership would be handled. Ms. Spears advised that Jaycee leadership training teaches members to contact people, explain what the Jaycees are about, and simply try to create an interest for the Chapter. Ms. Spears advised that this is usually done in a door-to-door campaign.

**Karen Kruse**, Genoa-Clay Center Road. Ms. Kruse had questions concerning the Ag Credit sign, specifically whether or not the sign would be fiberglass or painted. Ms. Kruse offered a sum of money from the Genoa Federation of Clubs to support this endeavor if it is fiberglass.

Mrs. Slotnick requested of Mayor Verkin that any changes, modifications, etc. to this sign be approved by the Adhoc Committee and that Council be kept advised of such modifications, etc.

**Dennis Slotnick**, 915 Washington Street, Genoa. Mr. Slotnick had a concern that there is a continued vacancy on the Tree Commission since November. Mr. Slotnick advised that he remained interested in that position. Mayor Verkin advised that he has not had a chance to contact Ellen Bergman regarding her desire to be on the Committee, but that the position would be filled in the near future.

Mr. Slotnick, as Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals, voiced a zoning concern. Mr. Slotnick presented a letter to the Genoa Village Council with attached minutes of their April 25, 2000, meeting. Mr. Slotnick's concern is that at this time there is not someone who is representing the Zoning Board of Appeals to Council. The Zoning Board of Appeals would like to have a voice to Council and to the Planning Commission as to how the ordinances are coming through, whether there is a variance that is needed, and whether there is an issue that should be taken up with a larger body. Mr. Slotnick advised there is no Council member that represents the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Board feels a little left out of communication. The Board would like to be able to give input and be recognized for their time, effort and energy.

Mayor Verkin advised that he believes a Council representative to the Zoning Board of Appeals is strictly a conflict of interest. Mayor Verkin used the scenario that if a Council person is on the Zoning Board of Appeals - you have an appeal; you turn down that appeal; the person goes to Council; the person that is a Council representative already has a prior knowledge of what is going on so how can they make a decision when they have already been notified of it. Mayor Verkin further stated that that Council person has the Board's input and is not working on his or her own thoughts. Mayor Verkin advised that this has been a problem before and addressed before.

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Mr. Slotnick wanted to clarify that in the past there has not been a Council member serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals; it is only a person from Council who is present and then represents to Council what is happening at the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Slotnick pointed out that Mr. Avery has served in this capacity before.

Mayor Verkin indicated he would take this matter under advisement and discuss it with the Village Solicitor.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

Mr. Bittner advised that the Arbor Day Ceremony was held with several people attending and that a Red Oak tree was planted in honor of Hank Bergman.

Mr. Bittner also advised that he received a letter from Mr. Adams on the stop sign situation on West Street. Mr. Adams notified Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig regarding the decision of having the police department monitor the intersection for the next 30 days.

### UTILITIES

No report.

### FINANCE

Mr. Bower advised that he would set up a meeting of the Finance Committee at the next regular meeting of Council.

### SAFETY

No report.

### ADHOC

Mrs. Slotnick requested that a Downtown Design Review Board be scheduled for May 9 at 4:30 p.m. at Genoa Custom Interiors.

### INSURANCE

No report.

## ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS

Mrs. McLear presented the second reading of Ordinance 35-00, *an Ordinance creating a new position of Secretary to the Chief of Police within the Genoa Police Department.*

Mr. Bower moved, second by Mrs. McLear to enter into executive session at 8:12 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters. Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLear, Mr. Avery, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Goodeman and Mrs. Slotnick all yeas (6). Motion passed. Exit executive session at 8:27 p.m.

## OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Bower inquired of Mayor Verkin as to when the contractor was going to finish the alley work between 10<sup>th</sup> and Court Streets. Mayor Verkin advised that they were going to do it on May 1<sup>st</sup>, but got rained out. Mrs. Slotnick advised that the contractor had worked for a while that day. Mayor Verkin further advised that the rain was going to postpone the work for another couple of days or longer.

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Mrs. McLear moved, second by Mr. Avery to adjourn. Roll call vote: Mr. Bower, Mrs. McLear, Mr. Avery, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Goodeman and Mrs. Slotnick all yeas (6). Motion passed and Council meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

  
CLERK/TREASURER

  
MAYOR

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