

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

January 19, 2021 REGULAR MEETING

- Mayor Thomas Bergman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- Mayor Bergman asked for the roll call:
- Council members in attendance included, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Diebert, Mr. St. Marie, Mrs. Huston, Mr. Huston, and Mr. Lewis.

Also, in attendance, was the Village Administrator Kevin Gladden via Zoom, Solicitor Brian Ballenger via Zoom, and Fiscal Officer Julie VanNest.

- Mayor Bergman asked for approval of the minutes from the regular Council meeting on January 4, 2021.
- Corrections to the minutes for the January 4, 2021 meeting were recorded.

Mr. Diebert made a motion to approve the minutes as amended from the January 4, 2021 regular Council meetings; seconded by Mr. McPherson.

Yeah: Mr. Diebert, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Huston, Mrs. Huston, and Mr. St. Marie.

Nay:

Abstain:

ENGINEERS REPORT – Mr. Gladden

Mr. Gladden and CT Consultant Mr. Hertzfeld held a Zoom meeting pertaining to the 9th Street Pump Station plans and the curb ramp program.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT – Mr. Gladden

- Mr. Gladden reported all Village employees were back to work following the holidays with the exception of himself, who is on a 7-day quarantine with no symptoms and will be returning to work tomorrow.
- Mr. Gladden stated he had gone into work each morning and afternoon to attend to paperwork keeping everything up to date.
- The Public Works crew worked on a water leak on 17th St.

FISCAL OFFICERS REPORT – Ms. VanNest

- Ms. VanNest informed Council that she paid invoices on 1/5/2021 in the amount of \$26,109.70 and on 1/13/2021 in the amount of \$43,529.19.
- Ms. Van Nest gave Council, Mayor, and the Village Administrator the December, 2020 financial statements and reports, consisting of Year-to-date Fund Summary, Year to date Revenue Summary, Year to date Appropriations Status and bank statements from Genoa Bank, Huntington Bank, First Federal Bank, and Star Ohio.

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- Ms. VanNest reminded all committee members that committee meeting minutes needed to be submitted to her so that she can keep a record of them for the auditors.
- Ms. VanNest informed Council they had two OWDA loans that would be paid off in July giving the Village an annual savings of \$44,000.

MAYORS REPORT – Mayor Bergman

- Mayor Bergman reported the Safety Committee had interviewed 6 final candidates for the position of Genoa Police Chief, and he as Mayor recommends Officer Matthew Herrig with a starting salary of \$60,000.

Mr. Huston made a motion to hire Matthew Herrig as the Genoa Police Chief; seconded by Mr. McPherson.

Yeah: Mr. Huston, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Diebert, Mr. St. Marie, Mrs. Huston and Mr. Lewis.

Nay:

Abstained:

- Mayor Berman reported that the North Coast Inland Bike Trail meeting is still scheduled for Friday with the Park District and he is still optimistic the Village will get official backing.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPEMENT - Mrs. Huston – no report

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS - Mr. McPherson – no report

UTILITIES - Mr. Diebert – no report

FINANCE AND INSURANCE - Mr. Huston – no report

- Mr. Huston stated they held a Finance Committee meeting prior to Council to discuss year end balances for 2019 to 2020 and one maturing CD.
- Mr. Lewis informed Council they received two bids on the CD that is expiring, one bid from Genoa Bank and one from Premier Bank, both for 18 months at .35 %.
- Mr. Lewis stated the Finance Committee recommended keeping the CD with Genoa Bank as Genoa Bank has in the past supported the Village.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to renew the 18-month CD of \$707,000 with Genoa Bank at .35% interest for 18 months; seconded by Mr. McPherson.

Yeah: Mr. Lewis, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Diebert, and Mr. St. Marie,

Nay:

Abstained: Mrs. Huston and Mr. Huston (due to conflict of interest)

SAFETY - Mr. St. Marie - no report

- Mr. St. Marie submitted the minutes from the Safety Committee interviews for the Chief of Police position.

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AD HOC - Mr. Lewis – no report

- Mr. Lewis voiced his concerns that he is hearing in the community that they are being referred to as the Good Ole Boys Club. He stated he feels together they are trying to do what is right for the Village.

PERSONNEL – Mr. St. Marie – no report

PARKS & PUBLIC GROUNDS

- Mrs. Huston scheduled a Parks and Public Grounds Committee meeting for February 1, 2021 at 6:30 pm.

ORDINANCE 02 -2021

AN ORDINANCE DELETING CHAPTER 139 OF THE GENOA CODIFIED ORDINANCE TITLED FIRE DEPARTMENT; SECOND READING.

ORDINANCE 03 -2021

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE PUBLIC WORKS IMPROVEMENTS MANUAL AS REVISED SEPTEMBER 2020 BY CT CONSULTANTS, INC.; SECOND READING.

ORDINANCE 04-2021

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 941 OF THE GENOA CODIFIED ORDINANCE TITLED GARBAGE AND RUBISH COLLECTION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Diebert made a motion that the rule requiring three distinct readings for Ordinance #04-2021 be dispensed with in accordance with O.R.C. section 731.17; seconded by Mr. McPherson. Roll call:

Yeah: Mr. Diebert, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Huston, Mr. St. Marie, Mr. Lewis, and Mrs. Huston.

Nay:

Abstained:

Mr. Diebert made a motion to pass Ordinance #04-2021 as an emergency measure according to ORC section 731.30; seconded by Mr. McPherson. Roll call:

Yeah: Mr. Diebert, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Huston, Mr. Lewis, Mr. St. Marie, and Mrs. Huston.

Nay:

Abstained:

Mr. Diebert made a motion to adopt Ordinance #04-2021; seconded by Mr. McPherson. Roll call:

Yeah: Mr. Diebert, Mr. McPherson, Mr. St. Marie, Mr. Huston, Mr. Lewis, and Mrs. Huston.

Nay:

Abstained:

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ORDINANCE 05-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE VILLAGE, THROUGH INTERNET AUCTION AND UTILIZING 'GOVDEALS.COM AND MUNICIBID.COM' FOR 2021; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Huston made a motion that the rule requiring three distinct readings for Ordinance #05-2021 be dispensed with in accordance with O.R.C. section 731.17; seconded by Mr. Diebert. Roll call:

Yeah: Mr. Huston, Mr. Diebert, Mr. St. Marie, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Lewis, and Mrs. Huston.

Nay:

Abstained:

Mr. Huston made a motion to pass Ordinance #05-2021 as an emergency measure according to ORC section 731.30; seconded by Mr. Diebert. Roll call:

Yeah: Mr. Huston, Mr. Diebert, Mr. St. Marie, Mr. Lewis, Mr. McPherson, and Mrs. Huston.

Nay:

Abstained:

Mr. Huston made a motion to adopt Ordinance #05-2021; seconded by Mr. Diebert. Roll call:

Yeah: Mr. Huston, Mr. Diebert, Mr. St. Marie, Mrs. Huston, Mr. Lewis, and Mr. McPherson.

Nay:

Abstained:

ORDINANCE 06-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF GENOA TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR 2021, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Huston made a motion that the rule requiring three distinct readings for Ordinance #06-2021 be dispensed with in accordance with O.R.C. section 731.17; seconded by Mr. Diebert. Roll call:

Yeah: Mr. Huston, Mr. Diebert, Mr. St. Marie, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Lewis, and Mrs. Huston.

Nay:

Abstained:

Mr. Huston made a motion to pass Ordinance #06-2021 as an emergency measure according to ORC section 731.30; seconded by Mr. Diebert. Roll call:

Yeah: Mr. Huston, Mr. Diebert, Mr. St. Marie, Mr. Lewis, Mr. McPherson, and Mrs. Huston.

Nay:

Abstained:

Mr. Huston made a motion to adopt Ordinance #06-2021; seconded by Mr. Diebert. Roll call:

Yeah: Mr. Huston, Mr. Diebert, Mr. St. Marie, Mrs. Huston, Mr. Lewis, and Mr. McPherson.

Nay:

Abstained:

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- Mayor Bergman asked if anyone wished to address Council.

Christopher Kline of 450 5th St. Clay Center Ohio – Mr. Kline asked why the half pike at the park is locked.

Mayor Bergman stated it has been locked recently due to Covid and due to liability issues.

Mr. Gladden reported to Mr. Kline that it has been locked in the winter due to ice, weather, liability, and a lack of maintenance personnel to clear it.

Mayor Bergman informed Mr. Kline of the upcoming Parks and Grounds committee meeting on February 1st at 6:30 pm if he wished to attend to address any issues concerning the park.

Mr. Kline asked why our insurance doesn't cover liability as other parks do.

Mr. Gladden responded, other parks may have riders to their policy to cover that but Council would have to agree to pay extra money for a rider.

Mr. Kline asked if the park hours were listed anywhere, and that dates should be listed somewhere letting them know when the park amenities are closed.

Mr. McPherson made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Diebert

Yeah: Mr. McPherson, Mr. Diebert, Mr. St. Marie, Mr. Huston, Mrs. Huston and Mr. Lewis.

Nay:

Abstained:

The next Regular Council Meeting will be Tuesday February 1, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

With no further business of the Council, Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Audio recording available.

ATTEST: Jacqui VanZant
Fiscal Officer

SIGNED: Thomas E. Bergman
Mayor

APPROVED: 2-1-2021
W. COLLIER

