

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of GENOA VILLAGE COUNCIL Meeting

DECEMBER 5, 2016

## COUNCIL OF THE WHOLE

Council President John Lewis called the Genoa Council of the Whole meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The purpose of the meeting was to make recommendations to the 2017 budget.

Those present included Police Chief Brad Weis, Solicitor Brian Ballenger and Fiscal Officer Julie Van Nest.

President Lewis turned the meeting over to Finance Committee Chairman, Brent Huston. Mr. Huston stated that several ideas for cuts in the budget had been previously talked about but no decision had been made. Mayor Harsanje, Sr. then headed up the meeting with his list of recommendations. He stated clearly that these topics were just recommendations and that nothing was set in stone. He added that he has worked closely with the Village Administrator and the Fiscal officer concerning these recommendations.

The following are recommendations only of possible cuts, terminations of budget items and or services.

### TOWN HALL:

- With the high costs of heating and cooling the building, Mr. Gladden is working with WOJO's Heating to see how low we can set the temperature in the winter months.
- The Mayor held a meeting with Griff Allen of the The Genoa Civic Theatre to discuss their contract which expired March, 2016. The contract reads that the theatre will do \$10,000.00 worth of improvements or reimburse for the utilities. This has not been the case the last several years. The theatre is asking Council for a list of project ideas that they can do. One idea was for the Theatre to clean the town hall weekly and deduct this amount from their agreed contract amount. After meeting with Griff Allen, it was decided that the theatre would not be allowed to use the building from December 15<sup>th</sup> to March 15<sup>th</sup> and July 1<sup>st</sup> thru August 31<sup>st</sup>. Solicitor Brian Ballenger was asked to draw up another 5 year contract.
- It was suggested to cut the lawn sprinklers off unless there's a drought.
- The Administrator will be reviewing the Country Lawn Care Service contract for 2017. This service is for the ball fields as well as the town hall, admin office, park and public works areas.

Mr. Huston said people have suggested holding some type of fundraiser at the homecoming to repair the roof on the town hall and or the elevator.

### TREE COMMISSION:

- Dissolve the Tree Commission. Their budget would go to the streets and