

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
January 2, 2018
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Vicary started the meeting with a tribute to our dear friend and colleague, Joe Misurelli, who passed away on December 23, 2017. Mayor Vicary invited audience attendees and Council members to say a few words. Several stories and kind words were expressed. Mr. Misurelli will be missed greatly.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:20 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. Alderman Carroll was absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of December 19, 2017, seconded by Alderman Brust. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of December 2017 in the amount of \$136,006.23, seconded by Alderman Lang. Alderman Brust asked what line item #25 to the Chamber of Commerce was for. Mayor Vicary responded they were holiday gift certificates for staff and volunteer commission and board members. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The January 4, 2018 Economic Development Commission has been cancelled. The next one is scheduled for February 1, 2018. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2018 at 7:00 pm. The Genoa Motors project is on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE RETIREMENT OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS BY THE USE OF MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS: Motion made by Alderman Lang for approval to pay bond principal and interest with MFT funds instead of property tax funds, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION FOR MAINTENANCE UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE: Motion made by Alderman Brust for approval to pay \$8,010.00 for road salt for street maintenance with MFT funds, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Brust, Lang, Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 1, CHAPTER 17, SECTION 7 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY GENOA, SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido for approval to update current sexual harassment policy to meet new state statute requirements, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion made by Alderman Brust to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous closed session and for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation, discipline and/or performance of specific employees, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to reconvene to the regular City Council meeting, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

In closed session, the minutes of the previous closed session were accepted

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss had no report.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that there is a water main break at South Sycamore Street and Lorraine Drive. Special equipment is needed to fix the break, so there will be a detour for a few hours on Wednesday, January 3rd.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that the fire at 225 W Main Street was due to an electrical issue. He also reported that New Year's Eve was low key. No calls were received.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Vicary reported that Alderman Carroll had been in the hospital with the flu, but came home today. He also stated that the Fire Department did a great job handling the downtown fire.

Announcements– Mayor Vicary stated that it has been a very tough week with the loss of Joe Misurelli. He thanked all the people who helped us get through the week and assured everyone that we are working on a plan going forward.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

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7:00 P.M.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:03 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Winter and Lang were present. Aldermen Cravatta and Brust were absent. Motion made by Alderman Carroll to allow Alderman Di Guido to attend the meeting remotely due to illness, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of January 2, 2018, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of January 2018 in the amount of \$415,549.71, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Alderman Winter asked if line item #6 was a typo because it shows that 2017 calendars were purchased and it should be 2018. It was confirmed that yes it was typo. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss stated that the January 4, 2018 Economic Development Commission meeting had been cancelled. The next one is scheduled for February 1, 2018. The Plan Commission meeting of January 11, 2018 was continued, so the next meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2018.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND APPROVAL OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido for authorization to execute and approve a professional services contract for Administrative Consultant Services with WG Municipal Management LLC, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried. Mayor Vicary invited Consultant Bill Ganek to join the meeting by sitting with the City Council Members.

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION FOR IDOT APPROVAL TO CLOSE ROUTE 72 (MAIN STREET) FOR THE GENOA DAYS CELEBRATION/CARNIVAL: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson for approval for the Annual Genoa Days road closure, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Stevenson, Winter, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE USE OF THE MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT BY THE GENOA-KINGSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT DURING THE GENOA DAYS CELEBRATION/CARNIVAL: Motion made by Alderman Winter for approval for Municipal parking lot use during the Annual Genoa Days event, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL FOR THE CLOSURE OF SOUTH WASHINGTON STREET BETWEEN HILL STREET AND CHURCH STREET ON SATURDAY, JULY 14, 2018 FROM 2:00 PM TO 8:00 PM FOR THE GENOA-KINGSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT WATER FIGHTS: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve closing a section of South Washington Street for the Annual Water Fights, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Lang voted yes. Motion carried

APPROVAL FOR THE USE OF CITY PROPERTY IN CONNECTION WITH THE ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL RUSSELL WOODS 5K RACE ON SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2018: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve use of the Riverbend Prairie Project Trails for the 5K Race on Saturday, April 14, 2018, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND APPROVAL FOR THE CITY TO FINANCIALLY PARTICIPATE IN AN IDOT RESURFACING PROJECT: Motion made by Alderman Wesner for authorization to execute and approve an IDOT Route 72/Main Street resurfacing project shared cost agreement for constructing ADA sidewalk curb ramps and parking lane resurfacing, not to exceed \$48,000, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Alderman Wesner asked from where to where the resurfacing will be done. Public Works Director, Rich Gentile responded that the improvements will start at State Street and will end at Route 23/Hayes Road, which includes Genoa's Downtown area. There was some discussion regarding whether the edges of the road where it caves in will be fixed or just be patched; if there is a certain thickness the road needs to be due to the amount of trucks that utilize it and if all curb ramps will be done. Director Gentile responded that he isn't sure about the edges of the road because there is concrete under the road and until it is completely reconstructed, there will continue to be issues. He indicated that IDOT is aware of these issues. He also stated that the road does have to be a certain thickness, but IDOT is only allowed to use a certain amount of asphalt on top of the crown of the road, since the subbase is concrete. He said that curb ramps that are not ADA compliant will be brought up to code. He then indicated that the improvements most likely would not affect Genoa Days since the bid will be put out in June and it takes approximately 45 days for the project to get started. Director Gentile also stated that he is unsure if the improvements will affect the Genoa Car Show, but he will contact IDOT to see if they will begin the project in the downtown area first and work their way out. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Mayor Vicary asked City Consultant Bill Ganek to introduce himself and say a few words. Consultant Ganek thanked the Council for approving him for the position. He stated that he is dedicated 100% to our community and will provide honesty, humility and hard work. He has been in Municipal Government for 40 years, including McHenry County Planning Department, the City of Crystal Lake, working for our former City Consultant Joe Misurelli and finally worked as City Manager for the City of Algonquin where he retired after 21 years. He has since been working interim positions with a number of communities and hopes to bring a lot to the table for Genoa. He believes it is a collaborative effort between himself, City Officials, staff, citizens and business people to determine what would work best for the community.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that the cold storage building is being built. He also stated that Public Works has been doing their best to get the roads cleaned up from the snow.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that he met with the school district earlier that day. They had a district meeting regarding updating their emergency plan. The school is looking at a couple vendors that provide software and electronics that would allow the police department access to the school's cameras from the police cars. This would be no cost to the City. Mayor Vicary asked Chief Smith if there is any update on the building downtown that had the fire. Chief Smith responded that he would need to check with Nick Garvey, our Community Service Officer. Director Gentile had not heard anything either.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Vicary thanked everyone for their support over the past few weeks while he was trying to figure out a plan going forward.

Announcements– None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

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February 6, 2018
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, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Brust were present. Aldermen Carroll and Lang were absent. Alderman Cravatta joined the meeting late.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of January 16, 2018, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of January 2018 in the amount of \$103,177.76, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss stated that the next Economic Development Commission meeting will be on February 13, 2018. The remaining EDC meetings for 2018 will be held the 2nd Tuesday of the month instead of the 1st Thursday. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2018.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF THE MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT BY THE GENOA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DURING THE 2018 MOVIES ON MAIN ST EVENT: Motion made by Alderman Wesner for approval for the 7/21/18 movie event, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF THE MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT AND CITY STREETS BY THE GENOA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DURING THE 2018 FARMERS MARKETS: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson for approval for the 5/26/18, 6/23/18, 7/28/18, 8/25/18 AND 9/22/18 Farmers Markets, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Stevenson, Winter, Brust, Wesner and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF THE MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT AND CITY STREETS BY THE GENOA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DURING THE 2018 CRUSIN' TO GENOA CAR SHOW: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson for approval for the Annual Genoa Car Show on 8/18/18, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Wesner and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION FOR IDOT APPROVAL TO CLOSE ROUTE 72 (MAIN STREET) FOR THE GENOA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2018 CRUISIN' TO GENOA CAR SHOW: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido for IDOT approval to close Main Street during the Genoa Car Show, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION FOR IDOT TO APPROVE CLOSING ROUTE 72 (MAIN STREET) FOR THE GENOA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2018 CELEBRATE THE SEASON EVENT: Motion made by Alderman Wesner for annual IDOT approval for the closure of Main Street during the Celebrate the Season event, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF THE MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT AND CITY STREETS BY THE GENOA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DURING THE 2018 CLEBRATE THE SEASON EVENT: Motion made by Alderman Brust for approval for the annual Celebrate the Season event on 12/7/18, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Brust, Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION TO INCLUDE CASH PAYMENTS RELATED TO HEALTH INSURANCE AS IMRF EARNINGS: Motion made by Alderman Winter for approval of a Resolution to include certain payments as pensionable earnings due to a new IMRF Resolution requirement, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Alderman Brust asked how this was decided. Finance Officer Manager/Treasurer, Jan Tures stated that 4 employees opted out of the City's health insurance plan, due to having coverage somewhere else, so they receive a cash payment for a portion of the monthly premiums in lieu of benefits. She stated that this is now an IMRF rule. The City has already been doing this, but is adopting the Resolution to be in compliance with IMRF. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Wesner, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – City Consultant Bill Ganek stated the City has received its first Enterprise Zone applicant. Custom Aluminum is proposing to build a 34,000 square foot addition to their facility. He indicated that it will be approximately 5 million dollars of building and equipment. There will be a meeting with DeKalb County on February 15th regarding this project. Consultant Ganek stated that he has met with the Genoa Chamber of Commerce and looks forward to working together for the good of the community. He indicated that the City is trying to get a TIF Project going. He stated there are some new development opportunities that would meet the TIF eligibility requirements. Consultant Ganek indicated that the City has met with the Consultant who was involved in the eligibility study to determine what the next steps will be to get the TIF qualified. He stated that it will be at least 6 months to get through that process. Mr. Ganek stated that if the Council would like a refresher regarding what's involved in a TIF Project, he would be happy to provide that information at some point. Consultant Ganek also reported that he has met with department heads to begin working on the budget. Lastly, he reported that upcoming projects for the Plan Commission include a proposal for a communication tower at the high school to improve dispatch signals and emergency communications and also the Dunkin Donuts Project. He stated there are some things the developer needs to get approved by IDOT before the Dunkin Donuts project can move forward. Alderman Wesner asked if Custom Aluminum has enough room to build the addition. Mr. Ganek responded yes, that there is a white metal building that is parallel to the tracks and the addition will be a mirror image of that. Alderman Stevenson asked how many jobs this addition would create. Mr. Ganek responded 25, which is more than what is required to qualify for the enterprise zone. Alderman Brust questioned if the new dispatch communication tower is the same dispatch program that Chief Smith has been working on; where we are trying to get away from who we are currently using. Consultant Ganek responded that we are currently staying with who we have, but we will need to talk to them about refining and justifying their numbers. He stated that having a new communication tower would update our equipment, which would allow the City to look at other agencies that are compatible.

Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss did a presentation on updating the City of Genoa flag. She presented 3 potential flag designs. There was some discussion amongst the Council members and the consensus was that the orange on the designs made it look more like the school colors, instead of the City colors. Members also thought the designs did not seem cohesive, so they would like to see a few more options at a later date.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that Public Works has been working on the snow and the storage building has a roof on it now. He believes it should be completed within a few weeks. Alderman Winter asked if there are any upcoming projects for Carroll Park. Director Gentile responded that they will be asphaltting the parking lot and hope to get horseshoe pits put in. He indicated that there will be other things added in the future, such as volleyball and bags.

Police Department – Chief Smith did a power point presentation of the 2017 Annual Report for the Police Department. A few highlights from his presentation included: the budget is approximately 1.4 million dollars, of which roughly \$160,000 of it is for dispatch services; sex offender/robbery/battery crimes are up 13%; burglary/frauds/thefts (including identity theft) down slightly; traffic accidents increased slightly, the average is roughly 75 to 80 accidents per year and lastly, DUI's increased from 12 to 20. The Police Department took approximately 3,300 calls in 2017. Major incidents included the bomb threat at the High School in November, which turned out to be intended for a GK school in the state of Washington and the bomb threat at the Post Office in December. Some on-going programs include the K9 program, City Adjudication, Code Red and a School Resource Officer.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Vicary thanked everyone for their support following the death of his Mum a few week prior. He stated that he is unsure if he will be in town for the Annual Chamber Dinner on February 21, 2018, so he asked if someone would speak on his behalf at the dinner, as they will be doing a tribute to Joe Misurelli. Alderman Di Guido volunteered.

Announcements– A resident in the audience stated that she missed the portion of the meeting where she could speak. Mayor Vicary stated that someone would speak with her after the meeting to discuss her issue.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

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Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. Aldermen Stevenson was absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of February 6, 2018, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of February 2018 in the amount of \$205,781.79, seconded by Alderman Winter. Alderman Lang asked how many main breaks there have been. Public Works Director, Rich Gentile responded 3 or 4, which is slightly over average, but not the highest the City has ever had either. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss stated that the next Economic Development Commission meeting will be March 13, 2018. Assistant Seguss also noted that the EDC meetings have been changed to the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. instead of the 2nd Thursday of the month at 9:00 a.m. The Plan Commission meeting will be March 8, 2018, where a Special Use permit will be considered for the County's Tower Project, as well as a planned unit development (PUD) for Genoa Motors Auto Repair.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

A PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING 2018 TO BE THE YEAR OF KISHWAUKEE COLLEGE: Mayor Vicary read a Proclamation for Kishwaukee College, proclaiming 2018 to be their year.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ZONING MAP FOR THE CITY OF GENOA: Motion made by Alderman Carroll for approval to adopt the City's Zoning Map, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Carroll, Di Guido, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 6, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 8 OF THE CITY CODE, NO PARKING RESTRICTIONS: Motion made by Alderman Brust for approval to amend the Genoa City Code regarding overnight parking, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Alderman Brust expressed that he was very happy that this is being implemented because it is a burden when children are being dropped off and picked up; as there is nowhere to park with large snow piles. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE CITY CODE; TITLE 3, CHAPTER 4, BUSINESS & LICENSE REGULATIONS: Motion made by Alderman Winter for approval to amend the Genoa City Code regarding amusement fees, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Cravatta asked if businesses are already paying these fees. Consultant Ganek responded yes; the fees just increased slightly. Alderman Cravatta also asked if a business has to pay for a shuffle board license

if they don't charge to play it. The response was no. Alderman Brust suggested increasing the fees for the video machines. Consultant Ganek responded that those fees are regulated by the State and \$25 is the maximum that is allowed to be charged per machine, unless we were Home Ruled; which we are not. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF A SLUDGE HAULING CONTRACT WITH SYNAGRO: Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve a sludge hauling contract for 2018, seconded by Alderman Lang. Alderman Cravatta asked if the City could haul it away, instead of paying to have it removed since we are a farming community. Director Gentile & Consultant Ganek responded that it is complicated with the Environmental Protection Agency. The City would need special equipment and permits, as well as incur fuel costs. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Ganek reported that the City of Genoa has received financial reporting recognition from the GFOA for the 12th year in a row. It is due to the efforts of our Auditors, Treasure & Finance Office Manager, Jan Tures and the staff that we were able to receive this award. Consultant Ganek also stated that he attended the DeKalb County Economic Development Corporation meeting on Thursday, February 15th and it was unanimous that the Custom Aluminum Project was recognized for a letter of understanding for the enterprise zone, so that project will be moving forward. There will be some incentives that will affect the City and other taxing bodies; as it is a 5 year property tax rebate (for the addition only). The 1st year will be 90% and go down 10% each year, for 4 additional years. Alderman Lang asked when the tax rebate would go into effect. Consultant Ganek responded the 1st full year after the project has been completed. Lastly, Consultant Ganek reported that he has been working diligently with the staff on the Budget. He requested that the February 26th and March 26th Committee of the Whole meetings be cancelled, but would like to have a special COW meeting on March 12th, for a budget presentation. The General Fund of the Budget is not currently balanced. Additional adjustments will need to be made in order to get it balanced. The March 12th date seemed to work for the Council Members.

Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss presented the Council with some additional samples for the new Genoa Flag. It was narrowed down to 3. A decision will be made at a later date.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that between February 7th and February 12th there was 20 inches of snow, we had over 300 man hours and went through 50 tons of salt. Director Gentile also reported that with all the rain, the river is up, but he doesn't believe it will cause any problems. A few of the Aldermen complimented Mr. Gentile and his staff on a great job with the snow removal.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that he has been working with Consultant Ganek on the Budget and is trying to figure out how to decrease cost and still provide the necessary services. Chief Smith is looking into cost sharing with the school and checking into grants that provide vests for the crossing guards. Each vest is approximately \$1,000. The school resource program is a go. The school will be paying half of Officer Gate's salary. The City and the School will each pay \$16,000 toward her salary. Chief Smith also reported that with the recent school shooting in Florida, we will be looking at the emergency plan at the school to make sure we are up to date and ensure that Officer Gate's has the proper equipment to handle those types of situations. Mayor Vicary voiced his concern regarding kids that have been expelled from our school. He suggested possibly meeting with the Superintendent to find out how many kids are expelled and finding out if they have access to weapons. Chief Smith responded that he will look into this. He believes there's a plan at the school for when a student is suicidal or they are afraid a student may do something. School Staff & Counselors are involved, but the City hasn't been included in it previously. Chief Smith stated that during school the doors are locked; it would be before and after school and during events that threat risks would be enhanced. Alderman Lang suggested that maybe a resolution would be that any student that gets expelled would be required to meet with a parole officer periodically. Chief Smith responded that currently, any expelled student needs to meet certain criteria before returning to school.

Alderman Di Guido asked if there is a referral system for students at the school where they can report someone unanimously. Chief Smith responded that he isn't sure, but will look into it.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Vicary reported that he and some of the staff members have been trying to figure out a way to honor Joe Misurelli. One of the ideas is to name the parking lot where the farmers market is by the winery, The Joe Misurelli Municipal Square and maybe check with some of the businesses in town to see about assisting us with getting a clock with Joe's name on it and putting up a permanent banner to dedicate that area to him. Alderman Carroll suggested maybe doing something by the "Y" section since Joe was very influential with that. Alderman Di Guido suggested possibly memorializing the building where the Chamber is, in Joe's name, since that is the incubator space and Joe was always an advocate for that program.

Announcements– Mayor Vicary announced that the Annual Chamber Dinner was on Wednesday, February 21, 2018. Alderman Carroll announced the Firemen's Chili Supper would be on Saturday, February 24, 2018. Alderman Carroll asked about businesses being run out of homes and if the City requires licenses. There was some discussion amongst the Council Members and Mayor Vicary stated that staff would look into it.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

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Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Lang were present. A motion was made by Alderman Di Guido to allow Alderman Brust to participate in the meeting via electronic attendance due to a work related absence, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of February 20, 2018, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of February 2018 in the amount of \$346,234.36, seconded by Alderman Lang. Alderman Lang asked if line item # 32 to Southern Police Institute in the amount of \$595.00 is an annual training class. Chief Smith responded no, it was a continuing education class for Sergeant Edwards and Officer Gates. Since they are the lead investigators, they are required to obtain continuing education class hours every 3 years. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss stated that the next Plan Commission meeting will be March 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. The next Economic Development meeting will be March 13, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. A Special Committee of the Whole meeting will be held on March 12, 2018 at 7 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 5, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE, TOBACCO PRODUCTS, SALE TO MINORS: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to amend the City Code to prohibit the misrepresentation of age for purchase and/or possession of tobacco products or E-cigarettes by minors under the age of 18, seconded by Alderman Winter. Alderman Lang asked if this ordinance would help control the situation at the high school with all of the students that are vaping. Chief Smith responded that this ordinance is being amended for that reason. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING THE GENOA-KINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF GENOA: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to adopt an ordinance annexing the Genoa-Kingston High School property to the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to enter into closed session for the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous closed session and for the purpose of releasing certain closed session minutes, seconded by

Alderman Di Guido. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to reconvene to the regular City Council meeting, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice vote taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

In closed session, the minutes of the January 2, 2018 closed session were accepted.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the release of certain closed session minutes, seconded by Alderman Winter. Alderman Cravatta read the dates of the closed session minutes to be released; the dates of closed session minutes not to be released and dates of closed session minutes to be released in part. They are as follows:

Minutes to be released: 04/21/2009, 07/03/2012, 08/07/2012, 08/21/2012, 01/28/2013, 08/20/2013, 03/04/2014, 03/18/2014, 04/01/2014, 11/04/2014, 02/03/2015, 02/17/2015, 04/06/2015, 04/21/2015, 07/21/2015, 07/27/2015, 08/18/2015, 08/24/2015, 10/06/2015, 02/02/2016, 06/21/2016, 08/02/2016, 08/16/2016, 08/29/2016, 12/06/2016, 12/20/2016, 03/07/2017, 05/16/2017, 08/01/2017, 09/05/2017 and 09/19/2017

Minutes not to be released: 07/18/2017 and 08/15/2017

Minutes to be released in part: 01/20/2009 Of the seven paragraphs, withhold paragraph four, 03/29/2010 Of the five paragraphs, withhold paragraph four, 08/19/2014 Of the eight paragraphs, withhold paragraph seven, and 01/02/2018 Of the six paragraphs, withhold paragraph five.

Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Ganek reported that there are 2 items on the Plan Commission agenda for Thursday, March 8, 2018. Genoa Motors for a special use planned unit development (PUD) request. They would like to remove the abandoned car wash and vacuuming stations and clean up the rear of the building. The 2nd item on the agenda is the proposed installation of a communications tower located on the South West corner of the high school property. A consultant from DeKalb County will be at the meeting to address concerns. Alderman Wesner asked if the City still has antennas on top of the water towers that we rent space for. Public Works Director responded yes we do; Verizon, Fox Valley Internet and the County's 911 Communications. The concern was if the new communications tower is put in, it might take away the revenue that the City receives from the people that are currently renting the water tower space from us. The response was that it most likely won't be an issue since the tower is being built to increase 911 communications and the County does not want other uses interfering with that. It would need the County's, the School District's and the City's approval in order for that to change. Alderman Cravatta inquired if since the High School annexed the property to the City, would the City receive revenue from the communications tower. Mr. Ganek stated no because it is 911 communications tower, which is public use, so we would be unable to receive revenue from it. Mr. Ganek also stated that at the Committee of the Whole meeting on Monday, March 12, 2018, a topic of discussion will be a request to increase the number of Class "G" (video gaming cafe) licenses from 2 to 3, along with his draft Budget presentation. There was some discussion regarding qualifications for a Class "G" license. Consultant Ganek responded that although you must have a liquor license for video gaming, the "G" licenses are for businesses that are not a bar or a restaurant; their main business is the video gaming. Mr. Ganek then reported that the City has been diligently working on the DeKalb County dispatch situation regarding the fees that we are being charged. He indicated that the City is starting to get some information pertaining to how the monthly fees are calculated and will keep the Council apprised of the situation. Consultant Ganek indicated that County Board Member Hughes has been an advocate for the City regarding this situation. Mr. Hughes has talked to the County Administrator and Sheriff on the City's behalf, asking them questions regarding the fairness of these charges.

Lastly, Consultant Ganek stated that the City has met with our TIF Consultant to get us up to speed and now understands what is needed going forward.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that all of the work that Public Works has done by the river, such as the fire pit and concrete stoops were able to sustain all the rain that accumulated over the past few weeks.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that he attended the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm Systems conference. It pertains to situations such as flooding or major incidents. They help provide extra people to help in these types of situations. Chief Smith also reported that there was a fatal pedestrian accident on Saturday, March 3, 2018. It was by McDonalds on the 800 block of West Main Street. There doesn't seem to be any evidence of foul play and no alcohol was involved with the driver. It was dark and the pedestrian walked out in front of the vehicle. Chief Smith stated that he has received mixed information regarding the 911 communications tower. He indicated that he has been told that the Genoa Police Department would be able to use the tower for dispatch purposes and was also told that we would NOT be able to utilize it. He stated that we will need to get that worked out, as it greatly affects us. Chief Smith then reported that there was an incident at the middle school earlier today. Officer Gates arrested a student for making specific threats. The State's Attorney was contacted and the student was transferred to a juvenile facility. Lastly, there had been another fatal accident at Genoa Road & Pleasant Hill Road.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Vicary reported that he attended the Annual Chamber Dinner a few weeks ago, along with most of the Council Members. The Business Expo at the High School had been over the weekend, along with the mouse races on Saturday night.

Announcements– None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
March 20, 2018
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 Carroll, Stevenson, Winter, and Lang were present. Aldermen Wesner, Cravatta and Brust were absent. A motion was made by Alderman Stevenson to allow Alderman Di Guido to participate in the meeting via electronic attendance due to military leave, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Lang, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of March 6, 2018, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of March 2018 in the amount of \$199,494.84, seconded by Alderman Lang. Mayor Vicary announced that there was a correction to line item #23 to Slingerland and Clark; the line item shows an amount of \$6625.00, but the actual amount should be \$6250.00. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Lang, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss stated that the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for March 26, 2018 has been cancelled. The Plan Commission meeting scheduled for April 12, 2018 will be cancelled as well. Assistant Seguss stated that she handed out an updated Tree Board brochure if anyone is interested in obtaining additional information about the Board and their projects.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION FOR IDOT APPROVAL TO CLOSE ROUTE 72 (MAIN STREET) FOR THE MEMORIAL DAY PARADE: Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve Main Street closure for the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 28, 2018, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 3, CHAPTER 3, LIQUOR CONTROL, SECTIONS 1,7 AND 8 OF THE CITY CODE: Motion made by Alderman Lang to create a definition for a “Banquet Facility”, amending the “O” Liquor License Classification and amending the number of various liquor licenses, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. City Consultant Ganek explained that there a few reasons for amending this area of the City Code. The first reason is due to there being more licenses available than ones currently being used. By reducing the number of liquor licenses to the number of current businesses utilizing them, gives City Council the opportunity to consider creating additional liquor licenses if/when a new request is submitted to the City. Another reason is to define a “banquet facility” to determine the proper liquor license classification. Staff determined a Class “O” Liquor License would be the best fit. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF A PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT FOR 540 WEST MAIN STREET, DOING BUSINESS AS GENOA MOTORS, INC., TO ALLOW FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR USE: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to adopt an Ordinance approving a motor vehicle repair use for 540 West Main Street, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Lang and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – City Consultant Ganek reported that the old Wild Harvest Restaurant is currently taking over new ownership and plans to open a restaurant called Trackside Diner. They have applied for a liquor license already and there is currently one available for them. They are currently fixing the roof and doing some remodeling and hope to open as soon as possible. Mr. Ganek also reported that the budget is currently being finalized and there will be a Public Hearing on April 3, 2018. He then reported that the City has met with our attorneys regarding the Riverbend Project. Mr. Ganek will be contacting the developer that defaulted on the project, so we can devise a plan to straighten everything out and move forward. Mr. Ganek stated that the City has also met with some of the local developers and has begun outlining some economic development opportunities. He had no specifics at this time, but will update Council as more details become available. Mr. Ganek indicated that the City is looking into updating plan review fees, subdivision fees, platting fees and adjusting the annual water, sewer and garbage fees and it will be presented at a future City Council meeting for approval. Lastly, Mr. Ganek stated that the Mayor received a notice from Moody's last week. Moody's gives a Municipal rating for future Municipal bonds. The report stated that Genoa's financing is robust and we are considered an A1 which is only 1 step behind the average for Municipalities. The report also indicated that our 4 month cash reserves are a plus, but we should not go below that. Moody's also determined that Genoa has a very light debt burden, but our Pension liability is high due to us having to shift from IMRF to the State Police Pension Fund.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that Public Works is about 50% done with the city wide sewer flushing and has begun parkway tree trimming.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that approximately 100 students participated in the school walk out on March 14, 2018. No problems were noted. On St. Patrick's Day, there was a shooting on the 300 block of North Sycamore Street. No foul play was indicated.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Vicary reported that the Aldermen should contact City Consultant Ganek if they ever have questions or need information. He stated that they do not need to wait until the City Council meeting and can contact Mr. Ganek via phone or email.

Announcements– None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Lang, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
Public Hearing & City Council Meeting
April 3, 2018
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Vicary called the public hearing to order for the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2018 and ending April 30, 2019 at 7:03 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Brust were present. Alderman Lang was absent. A motion was made by Alderman Cravatta to allow Alderman Di Guido to participate in the meeting via electronic attendance due to military leave, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Cravatta, Brust, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried. There were no comments from the public or the Aldermen. Mayor Vicary closed the public hearing. Motion to adjourn the public hearing was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:06 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Brust were present. Alderman Lang was absent. A motion was made by Alderman Stevenson to allow Alderman Di Guido to participate in the meeting via electronic attendance due to military leave, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2018 Special Committee of the Whole meeting and regular City Council meeting of March 20, 2018, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of March 2018 in the amount of \$74,704.88, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

City Consultant Bill Ganek reported that on April 5, 2018, the McHenry County EDC meeting will be held in Sycamore to discuss possible modifications to the Enterprise Zone standards. Although J6 Polymers is making large evaluation improvements, they do not qualify for the Enterprise Zone since their expansion is still within their existing walls and not an actual addition to the building. This will be an example brought up at that meeting to justify why modifications may be necessary. Alderman Di Guido asked if the Enterprise Zone standards are

modified at the April 5th meeting and J6 Polymers were to qualify, would the benefits be retro-active? Mr. Ganek responded that he wasn't sure, but would definitely bring that up at the meeting. Mr. Ganek also reported that on April 10, 2018, the Economic Development Committee will meet at 8:30 a.m. and the Tree Board meeting will be at 7 p.m. The Plan Commission meeting for April 12, 2018 has been cancelled, but there will most likely be one on May 10, 2018. The Police Pension Board meeting will be on April 17, 2018 at 12 p.m. and the next City Council meeting will also be on April 17, 2018 at 7 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2018 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2019 FOR THE CITY OF GENOA: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt an Ordinance adopting the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2018 and ending April 30, 2019 for the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Alderman Winter questioned why the amount for the emergency siren was double the original estimate. Mr. Ganek responded that we were given the first blush estimate and then Director Gentile was given more specific information further into the process, which provided the true cost. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 3, CHAPTER 3, LIQUOR CONTROL, SECTION 8 OF THE CITY CODE: Motion made by Alderman Brust to increase the number of "G" liquor licenses to 3, seconded by Alderman Winter. There was some discussion amongst City Council members and the consensus was that they are not in favor of another Gaming Café opening in Genoa due to it being redundant and believe that it would cut the profits of current businesses. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Cravatta voted no. Motion **NOT** carried. The number of "G" liquor licenses will remain at 2 at this time.

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH B&F CONSTRUCTION CODE SERVICES, INC: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to enter into a contract with B&F Construction Code Services, INC, for plan review and inspection services, seconded by Alderman Winter. The Aldermen questioned what the price comparison would be between what we paid our part time Building Inspector and the amount we will have to pay B&F. Consultant Ganek responded that it will wind up being somewhat more, as we paid the part time Inspector an hourly rate, where B&F charges a flat rate for some of their inspections. Mr. Ganek explained that the City's fees will be covered as it pertains to construction of houses and commercial buildings, since plan review and inspection fees are based on square footage and charged to the developer or home owner. Mr. Ganek suggested possibly seeing how the next few months go as far as what we pay B&F and decide if we need to increase our fees to be more in alignment with what we are being charged. Lastly, Mr. Ganek explained that there are additional benefits to using B&F such as response time and they will assume some of the liability if a legal issue were to arise. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – City Consultant Ganek reported that he believes there will be a May 10, 2018 Plan Commission meeting that will most likely include the Dunkin Donuts and Dollar General projects. Alderman Carroll asked if the construction of the Dunkin Donuts would coordinate with the construction of Route 72 scheduled this year. Mr. Ganek and Public Works Director Gentile responded that they weren't sure. That would be something the developer would have to work out with the State of Illinois.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that the cold storage building has been completed. He also reported that ComEd will be doing line clearing over the next few weeks.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that his full time Officer that was out on medical leave had returned to work.

Mayor's Report – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
Public Hearing & City Council Meeting
April 17, 2018
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:03 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Lang were present. Alderman Brust was absent. A motion was made by Alderman Wesner to allow Alderman Di Guido to participate in the meeting via electronic attendance due to military leave, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of April 3, 2018, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of April 2018 in the amount of \$131,654.65, seconded by Alderman Lang. Alderman Carroll questioned item #21 to Service Concepts for chiller repairs. Public Works Director, Rich Gentile responded it was for repairs to the air conditioning system at City Hall. Alderman Lang asked if item #14 to Mueller Systems for the 66 water meters is an annual amount or if it is on-going. Director Gentile responded that it is on-going. He indicated that meters need to be switched out every 10 to 15 years due to not being as effective; they begin reading low after several years. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss reported that the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for Monday, April 23, 2018 has been cancelled. The next City Council meeting will be on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 7 pm and the next Plan Commission meeting will be Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 7 pm, which will include the Dollar General project.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 8, CHAPTER 6, OF THE CITY OF GENOA MUNICIPAL CODE FOR THE CITY OF GENOA, DEKALB COUNTY, ILLINOIS PERTAINING TO WATER & SEWER UTILITY BILLING RATES:

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson for approval of an Ordinance for the annual increase of utility billing water and sewer rates and connection fees effective 5/1/2018, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 4-2-5, RATES FOR GARBAGE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION, OF THE GENOA MUNICIPAL CODE IN THE CITY OF GENOA, DEKALB COUNTY, ILLINOIS: Motion made by Alderman Wesner for approval of an Ordinance for the annual increase to garbage rates per Waste Management contract effective 5/1/18, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Alderman Wesner asked how long the City is in a contract with Waste Management and if rates are increased annually. It was determined that the City has a 5 year contract with Waste Management and yes rates increase annually. A few of the Aldermen stated that Waste Management does a great job for us and the “At Your Door” recycling program is very helpful to the residents. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 1, CHAPTER 14, BUDGET OFFICER, SECTION 1 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GENOA: Motion made by Alderman Wesner for approval to amend the City Code to state that the City Treasurer will also serve as the Budget Officer, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Alderman Wesner asked if the salary would stay the same. City Consultant, Bill Ganek responded yes. Alderman Lang asked if these 2 positions would be able to be separated in the future, should the need arise. Consultant Ganek again responded yes. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF A LEASE AT 113 NORTH GENOA STREET, UNIT 2: Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve the renewal of a lease with the Chamber of Commerce at the Old City Hall building, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Alderman Stevenson asked if the Chamber had any comments regarding them having to begin paying part of the utilities at that property. City Consultant, Bill Ganek responded that the Chamber understands that the City does not charge them rent and it is reasonable for them to assist with paying part of the utilities. He indicated that the Chamber will begin paying their portion of the utilities at the start of their fiscal year, which is January 1, 2019. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING THE FOUNDERS POINT PROPERTY WEST OF ILLINOIS ROUTE 23, SOUTH OF THE CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILROAD AND NORTH OF BASELINE ROAD TO THE CITY OF GENOA: Motion made by Alderman Winter to adopt an Ordinance for the annexation of the Founders Point Property, to the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Alderman Carroll asked if that is commonly known as the Dander property. Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss responded yes and Public Works Director, Rich Gentile responded that a portion of it is. Alderman Winter asked when the property was annexed. City Consultant, Bill Ganek responded in 2007, but the legal description needed to be changed to be in compliance with the County. The zoning

remains unchanged. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH NIXLE FOR EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SERVICES: This item was removed due to additional information being needed. No discussion or vote taken.

AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF THE MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT BY DEKALB COUNTY COMMUNITY GARDENS: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve the use of the Municipal parking lot for the Grow-Mobile event, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – City Consultant Ganek reported that B&F Construction Code Services, INC has begun doing inspections for us. It has been a smooth transition and the City is happy with their response time. He also reported that the City is diligently working on moving forward with Riverbend litigation. Consultant Ganek stated that the 40 year sewer contract that the City of Genoa has with Kingston will be up in 3 years. The contract states that the City of Genoa must give Kingston a 30 day notice prior to the contract expiring within 3 years. He indicated that there will be quite a bit of discussion on this matter as it pertains to rate changes. Consultant Ganek stated that he is going to be aggressively researching additional dispatch options available to us. Lastly, he addressed the wind turbine signs that have been seen around town. He stated that DeKalb County issued a special use permit for 2 wind testing towers, which is only good for 18 months. Once the permit expires, the towers must come down. The towers will be located South West of Kirkland, approximately 5 miles from Genoa, in South Grove Township. The County has put a moratorium on any requests or petitions for any wind turbine proposals for approximately 5 to 6 months, while they put together regulations and/or decide if requests will be denied as it is a very controversial topic. We will continue to monitor this situation. Alderman Carroll asked when Dunkin Donuts will be coming. Consultant Ganek responded that Dunkin Donuts will be the tenant and it is the developer of the project that does not have all of the information needed to present to the Plan Commission.

Public Works – Director Gentile referred to the water survey that the City of Genoa conducts every year. He is glad that we are able to keep our rates down compared to some of the surrounding communities. Director Gentile also reported that he received our CCR report and we did not have any violations. Alderman Lang questioned the situation at the school with the lead in the water. Director Gentile responded that it is not an issue with the City's water system. He explained that we do not have any lead service lines, but there are lead washers and solder on the pipes. The lead content is very low and well within a safe range. He stated leaving the water run a little bit before drinking it will flush out any sediment there might be in the water and also, there are filters that can be put on drinking fountains.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that Officer Gates will be attending the School Resource course May 7th through May 11, 2018 in Peoria. Part Time Officer Schuring has

completed his FTO and is ready to work on his own. Chief Smith stated that K-9 Officer Kane was recertified on April 13th, which is valid for 1 year. Chief Smith said he would be attending the Police and Fire Commission meeting the following night.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Vicary reiterated that the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for Monday, May 23, 2018 has been cancelled. Mayor Vicary read a letter that he received from an elementary student asking why there is no light on top of the water tower. Mayor Vicary will be responding to the student and explain that the Federal Aviation Association requires water towers over 200 feet tall to have a light on top for airplanes. Since Genoa's water tower is only 100 feet tall, we are not required to have a light on top of it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Cinco de Genoa will be on Saturday, May 5, 2018.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
May 1, 2018
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:05 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. Aldermen Stevenson and Winter were absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of April 17, 2018, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of April 2018 in the amount of \$270,043.37, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Lang questioned if item #33 to Service Concepts was for the City Hall building and what was included in those fees. Public Works Director, Rich Gentile responded that it was to change the system over from heating to air conditioning. He explained that during the inspection, maintenance was done, which included descaling, draining and refilling the water, as well as cleaning tubes to keep the system functioning properly. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss reported that the next Plan Commission meeting will be Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 7 pm, which will include the Dollar General project.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER THE MAYORAL STAFF APPOINTMENTS FOR MAY 1, 2018 TO APRIL 30, 2019: Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the appointment of the Chief of Police, Public Works Director, City Treasurer, City Engineer and City Attorney, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER THE MAYORAL BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the appointment of members to the Economic Development Commission, Tree Board, Plan Commission, Police Pension Board and Police Commission, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Brust asked if Kim Egger is the only person on the Economic Development Commission. Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss responded no, that Kim Egger was the only person on that Commission whose term would expire

this year. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OF AN EMERGENCY WARNING SIREN: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve the purchase of equipment from Federal Signal Company, not to exceed \$14,231.00, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Alderman Brust questioned the reason for the placement of the siren by the park in the Riverbend Subdivision. Director Gentile responded that the area seems to be the most central location and would alert the most amount of people in inclement weather. Alderman Brust's concern was having a 50 foot tower in the middle of a park. Director Gentile explained that the tower won't be located in the park itself, it will be just East of the playground equipment, in the parking area. Alderman Lang asked if there are street lights in that area and the height of them. Director Gentile responded yes, there are street lights and they are approximately 17 to 20 feet tall. Alderman Brust also asked if a stationary directional were used instead of a rotating one, would that allow the location of the siren to be moved closer to the tree line? Director Gentile responded no because stationary just means that the siren would stay at the same continuous volume, whereas, a rotating siren would repeatedly get loud and then soften as it rotated. City Consultant Ganek reiterated that the location was chosen to reach the maximum amount of people. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the quotation for installation services provided by Braniff Communications, INC, not to exceed \$6,500, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Lang asked Director Gentile if this would be where we could build in the cost to screen. He responded yes, it most likely wouldn't take much. He stated we could probably plant an evergreen tree next to the pole so it would eventually blend in and the pole wouldn't be as noticeable. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING CERTAIN CITY PROPERTY AS SURPLUS AND APPROVING THE SALE OF SAID PROPERTY: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve an Ordinance declaring surplus of vehicles and equipment as recommended in the Public Works memo, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Alderman Cravatta inquired if this is how we typically handle this or if it is something new. Director Gentile responded that it is something new. He stated that the City normally trades things in, but sometimes the equipment is so old that he is hesitant to give it to someone to use due to safety reasons. He stated that when things are auctioned off, the auctioneer takes responsibility for the items. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to recess into closed session to review and approve the minutes of the previous closed session; for the purpose of discussing land acquisition and for the purpose of discussing pending, possible and/or probable litigation, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Lang to reconvene into open session, seconded by Alderman Brust. Voice voted taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

In closed session, the minutes of the March 6, 2018 closed session were accepted.

RATIFY A QUITCLAIM DEED FROM A TAX SALE TO BE DEDICATED FOR OPEN SPACE: Motion made by Alderman Carroll to purchase property from a tax sale that was to be dedicated for open space, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – None

Public Works – None

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that in the pedestrian accident that happened recently, the pedestrian was 4 times over the legal alcohol limit. He also reported that the police will be present at the Cinco de Genoa event on Saturday, May 5, 2018.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Vicary reported the he and Alderman Wesner attended a ceremony at the GK High School where Nikki Gudall was awarded volunteer of year. Nikki is fighting cancer and always dedicates her time to helping others.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
May 15, 2018
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:05 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust and Lang were present. Aldermen Cravatta joined the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Vicary invited Eagle Scout, Clifton Hansen to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speakers – Clifton Hansen, Brad Shortridge, Jennifer Johnson (and staff)

Clifton Hansen– Mayor Vicary presented Clifton with a recognition certificate on behalf of the City Council and Mayor for earning his Eagle Scout ranking. Clifton explained that he built a Native Pollinator House, which is like a birdhouse, but provides a nesting location for native pollinator insects such as bees, wasps and butterflies because they are declining at a very rapid rate. He is happy that these pollinator houses are popping up all over the country to help with saving these species.

Brad Shortridge – Mr. Shortridge, the Assistant Superintendent at the GK Schools stated that the Davenport Elementary School that closed last year due to population, will be leased to Camelot Education for special needs students over a 5 year period. Mr. Shortridge indicated that after the contracting language has been created, they will have a neighborhood open forum since this will affect traffic in the surrounding area.

Jennifer Johnson – Ms. Johnson, Executive Director of Camelot Education, along with a few of her staff members gave an overview Camelot and their services. They provide education for children with autism, social/emotional disorders and cognitive/intellectual disabilities that are between the ages of 3 and 22. Camelot serves various districts, has 86 staff members and approximately 89 students. Their school hours are 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Students are brought to school in vans, by their parents and a few regular sized school buses. They are excited for this opportunity and believe it will create additional revenue for Genoa since staff members will be patronizing businesses in town.

Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of May 1, 2018, seconded by Alderman Brust. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of May 2018 in the amount of \$124,644.74, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Lang asked where item #13, Fox Ridge Nursery is located. Public Works Director, Rich Gentile responded that he wasn't sure, but later during his department report, indicated that Fox Ridge Nursery is located in Harvard, Illinois. Alderman Carroll asked if item #11 to ENCAP, Inc. is an annual fee. Director Gentile responded yes and we are in our final year of our contract with them. They assist the City with maintaining the Prairie. Alderman Brust asked if the City could purchase trees from Genoa. Director Gentile responded that the City is looking for parkway trees and the businesses in Genoa don't have the types/sizes of trees that are needed, but we do use Lloyd's Landscaping for other landscaping projects. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss reported that the Committee of the Whole Meeting scheduled for May 29, 2018 will be cancelled. The next Plan Commission meeting will be Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at 7 pm, which will include the Dunkin Donuts project.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER SERVICE AGREEMENTS WITH BAXTER AND WOODMAN FOR VARIOUS ENGINEERING SERVICES:

1. Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve an agreement with Baxter and Woodman for Engineering Services for the IEPA loan project plan and loan assistance, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried. Alderman Cravatta had not joined the meeting yet.
2. Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve an agreement with Baxter and Woodman for engineering services for the North Elevated Water Storage Tank repainting and repairs and Well Number 4 improvements, design and construction services, seconded by Alderman Lang. Alderman Brust questioned why this water tower project is approximately \$200,000.00 more than the other water tower project. Director Gentile responded that due to the nature of the tower, it will be more labor intensive; also those are general numbers at this time. Bids will be coming in and the numbers will adjust accordingly. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried. Alderman Cravatta had not joined the meeting yet.
3. Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve an agreement with Baxter and Woodman for engineering services for Genoa Street water main replacement, design and construction, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried. Alderman Cravatta had not joined the meeting yet.
4. Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve an agreement with Baxter and Woodman for engineering services for Well Number 4 pumping equipment rehabilitation, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried. Alderman Cravatta had not joined the meeting yet.

CONSIDER A CONTRACT FOR ROAD REPAIRS: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve a contract with Peter Baker and Son Company for road repairs not to exceed \$19,140.00, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Alderman Brust questioned the section of the contract that states saw cutting and prime is not included. Director Gentile responded that the City will do that portion of the repairs. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PUD FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED EAST OF THE INTERSECTION OF ROUTE 72 AND PRAIRIE STREET AND SOUTH OF ROUTE 72 (DOLLAR GENERAL): Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt an Ordinance approving the issuance of a final Planned Unit Development and final subdivision for a commercial building located East of the intersection of Route 72 and Prairie Street and South of Route 72,

seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Stevenson asked if there was any positive or negative feedback from the residents regarding this. Consultant Ganek responded that a few residents from that area came to the Plan Commission meeting on May 10, 2018. Their concerns were the lighting and also preferred that Dollar General be located somewhere else, but since the property is zoned Commercial, the location is within guidelines. Consultant Ganek also stated that after the Plan Commission meeting, he spoke with a few of the residents and went over the drawings to address their concerns. There was additional discussion and it was determined that there will be a tree line between the apartments and the Dollar General parking lot, their sign will be more upscale and the building will be more esthetically pleasing, since it will be the gateway to Genoa. Alderman Winter asked if the street being put in will be paid for by the City or Dollar General. Consultant Ganek responded that Dollar General will pay to have the street put in and will be responsible for maintaining it until it is extended to other users. At that point, the street would be dedicated to the City and be the City's responsibility to install improvements and maintain the street. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Ganek reported that he has been working on the Riverbend bankruptcy situation. There is still a lot of work to be done, but the City is working diligently to move forward with this project. He also reported that the City is continually looking into the 911 dispatch situation. We will be requesting detailed FOIA information to see if we can obtain more details than what they have already provided us with. Mr. Ganek also stated that there will be additional discussion regarding the Village of Kingston sewer agreement that will be expiring within 3 years. We will need to provide Kingston justification as to why the rate will need to go up before the end of the contract, by December 2018. Lastly, Mr. Ganek is working with the Park District regarding coordination issues. The issues are not anything major, just looking for community ideas which contain the assistance of both the City and the Park District.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that the City will be planting 35 trees over the next few weeks. As part of Tree City USA, if a resident does not want the parkway tree, it is planted somewhere else. Public Works will be planting a few of those trees at City Hall.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that he is going to try to incorporate more positive things happening in the community, such as Clifton Hansen, the Eagle Scout that was recognized at the beginning of the meeting. He also reported that High School Graduation is Sunday, May 20th, so officers will be present at the event. Lastly, Chief Smith stated that he has a meeting scheduled for another dispatch option.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Vicary reported that the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for May 29, 2018 has been cancelled. He also reported that on Monday, May 28, 2018, there will be a Memorial Day Ceremony at the cemetery. Lastly, Mayor Vicary reported that there will be a School's Out For Summer Celebration at the Veteran's Club on Saturday, May 26, 2018.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
June 5, 2018
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, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present.

Mayor Vicary lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speakers – None

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of May 15, 2018, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of May 2018, in the amount of \$92,635.71, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Alderman Carroll asked what item #3 was for. City Consultant Ganek responded it was payment to B&F Construction Code Services for permit reviews and inspection fees; mostly for new construction. Alderman Lang asked if the door hangers and COG receipts on item #7, to Castle PrinTech, were for water billing. It was determined that yes they were. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss reported that the next Plan Commission meeting will be Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at 7 pm, which will include the Dunkin Donuts project.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OF PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT:

1. Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve the purchase of an aerial lift van from Runnion Equipment Company, not to exceed \$52,400, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Alderman Wesner asked if the purchase is to replace one that we currently have. Director Gentile responded yes; our current one is a 1996 and was purchased in 2005. Director Gentile explained that the lift truck is used for tree trimming, changing street lights and hanging the banners in downtown Genoa. Alderman Brust asked if it would be possible to get more than \$2,500 if we tried to sell it, as opposed to just trading it in. Director Gentile responded no, due to the age and condition of the vehicle. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes.
2. Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve the purchase of two 2019 4x4 Ford pick-up trucks from Landmark Ford, not to exceed \$54,709, seconded by Alderman Lang. A few Aldermen complimented Director Gentile on the information and breakdown he provided regarding the purchase of these vehicles. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE CREATING DEVELOPMENT FEES: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adopt an Ordinance creating Appendix A – Fees for the Municipal Code of the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Alderman Lang abstained. Motion carried.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Lang to recess into closed session to review and approve the minutes of the previous closed session; for the purpose of discussing land acquisition and for the purpose of discussing pending, possible and/or probable litigation, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to reconvene into open session, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice voted taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

In closed session, the minutes of the May 1, 2018 closed session were accepted.

RATIFY A QUITCLAIM DEED FROM A TAX SALE TO BE DEDICATED FOR OPEN SPACE: Motion made by Alderman Cravatta to purchase multiple properties from a DeKalb County tax sale, to be dedicated for open space, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Ganek reported that the shopping center located on the South West side of town, at Routes 23 and 72, has been sold. The new owner is working on submitting plans for re-doing the parking lot, changing the esthetics of the building and expanding the liquor store, which may include obtaining a “pour” license to permit video gaming in the establishment.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that part of the emergency siren in Riverbend has been installed and expects it to be completed by next week. He also indicated that Clarke Mosquito would be spraying on Wednesday, June 6th. Lastly, he and his staff are finishing up the float for the Genoa Days parade.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that the Memorial Day service was nice; he had breakfast with the Mayor. Chief Smith also indicated that Genoa Days is set up, but due to an emergency road repair, South Washington Street was shut down for a while, but is now back open. He also stated that the Genoa Library is letting the Officers use their annex area to sit in during Genoa Days.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Vicary reported that King and Queen Contest for Genoa Days would be the following evening.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
June 19, 2018
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:05 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Winter, Brust and Lang were present. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson and Cravatta were absent.

Mayor Vicary lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speakers – Bill French

Mr. Bill French, Regional Director of Project Development for Sunvest Solar Inc., presented to the Council, an explanation of their project regarding the special use permit they petitioned DeKalb County for, to allow for a “solar garden”. Some of the highlights of Mr. French’s presentation were:

- Community solar is a way for a solar garden (renewable energy) to be created on property and sold to subscribers, in return for credits on their utility bills.
- Each solar garden is limited to 2 megawatts or less, which would be approximately 10 to 20 acres; enough energy to supply approximately 400 homes.
- Conditions for placement of a solar garden include; land must be flat and undeveloped, needs to be adjacent to a 3 phase distribution line, must be within 2 miles of a substation and must be free of trees and wetlands.
- The proposed solar garden sites are in unincorporated DeKalb County, between Genoa and Kingston, east of the intersection of Route 72 and Pleasant Hill Road. There will be solar gardens on both sides of Route 72. (2 separate solar gardens across the road from each other)
- They will be set back 50 feet from the property lines with 7 foot chain link fences around them.
- The solar panels sit on a fixed-tilt racking system, are 9 ½ feet tall and face south. The panels are dark blue or black with a matte finish, to reduce reflection.
- If approved, construction will begin in Spring of 2019 and be completed in 10 to 12 weeks.
- There will be a Public Hearing with the DeKalb County Planning and Zoning Department on July 12, 2018. They will send their report to the Plan Commission for recommendation to the DeKalb County Board.

Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of June 05, 2018, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of June 2018, in the amount of \$149,061.45, seconded by Alderman Winter. Alderman Lang asked if line item #17 to Genoa Animal Hospital was for an annual routine visit for Kane. Acting Chief Edwards responded that Kane had some sort of lump or tick on his neck that needed to be looked at. Roll call vote was taken. In the absence of 4 Aldermen, Mayor Vicary was included in the vote. Aldermen Lang, Di Guido, Winter, Brust and Mayor Vicary voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS - None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE PREVAILING WAGE RATES: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve an ordinance adopting the Prevailing Wage Rates for the County of DeKalb, in the City of Genoa, IL, seconded by Alderman Winter. Alderman Lang asked if the highlighted items were the changes. Consultant Ganek responded that there were no changes; we are using the 2017 numbers, as the State of Illinois has not updated the 2018 numbers yet. Mr. Ganek indicated that everything may be updated by the end of the month, but for now, those are the current rates. Alderman Di Guido stated that he believed the highlighted items were the updated changes after the City approved them last year. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Winter, Brust, Lang and Mayor Vicary voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE NUMBER OF LIQUOR LICENSES: Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve an Ordinance adopting an amendment to Title 3, Chapter 3, Liquor Control, Section 8, Number of Licenses, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Alderman Winter asked for clarification regarding a “C” liquor license as opposed to an “A” liquor license. Consultant Ganek responded that a “C” liquor license is only for packaged sales. An “A” liquor license is for packaged sales and consumption of alcohol on the premises. Mayor Vicary introduced Manesh Patel, the new owner of the strip mall located at the corner of Routes 72 and 23. Mr. Patel explained that his intent is to expand his liquor store into the vacant unit next door, which will include a tasting room. He indicated that the tasting room will be a 35 person lounge, can be rented out for business meetings or small parties and will close at 9 p.m.; the same time as the liquor store. Mr. Patel also stated that he has already begun cleaning up in the back of the building and plans to do some remodeling inside. His plans also include resurfacing the parking lot. He is currently exploring additional parking options. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Brust, Lang, Di Guido and Mayor Vicary voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OF PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve the purchase of a Bobcat Skid-Steer Loader with attachments from CSR Bobcat, not to exceed \$60,691.11, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Di Guido, Winter, Brust and Mayor Vicary voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE DECLARING PROPERTY SURPLUS: This item was tabled to discuss at a later date, due to not having enough Council for a majority vote.

CONSIDER AN AGREEMENT WITH BAXTER AND WOODMAN FOR CITY ENGINEERING SERVICES: Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve an agreement with Baxter and Woodman for City Engineering Services, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Brust, Lang, Di Guido and Mayor Vicary voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Ganek reported that the City continues to move forward with the Riverbend bankruptcy. He also reported that the Mayor sent a letter to the Village of Kingston regarding the sewer rate contract and the City has an upcoming meeting with them. Mr. Ganek stated that the City has been reviewing some development proposals, but they are in the early stages and he is unable to discuss them at this time. Mr. Ganek stated that in looking at our current Unified Development Ordinance, it appears that some things in the use chart may need to be updated. Consensus amongst Council was to move forward with updating the UDO.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that due to the weather, the street patching program is at a halt. As soon as it dries up, the contractor will finish up. Alderman Lang asked about the status of the resurfacing of Route 72. Director Gentile responded that it is supposed to be going out for bid right around this time and he would follow up with the state. He believes it should still be completed by August.

Police Department –Acting Chief Edwards reported that he has been updating the key fob system. There were some issues, but believes it has all been resolved.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Vicary reported that Genoa Days was a success and the Police Department did a great job. Mayor Vicary also stated that the next City Council meeting will be on July 3rd, which will include the Dunkin Donuts Project and a Closed Session meeting, so if there is a conflict with any of the Aldermen being able to attend, he would need to know as soon as possible, as it will be important to have a quorum.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Di Guido announced that the 2018 Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing will be on July 13th at the Sycamore Golf Club with an 11:00 a.m. shot gun start.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Lang, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
July 3, 2018
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:05 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Cravatta and Lang were present. Aldermen Winter and Brust were absent.

Mayor Vicary lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speakers – None

Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of June 19, 2018, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve payment of the accounts payables for the 2nd half of June 2018, in the amount of \$104,661.26, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Alderman Lang asked for an update on line item #10 DeKalb County Dispatch. Consultant Ganek responded that the City has filed a Freedom of Information request and have received some information that we are currently analyzing with our attorneys. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Cravatta and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – Jason Felbinger of 415 Riverbend Drive had some questions for Council and Chief Smith. He stated that there have been rumors going around that some of the vacant lots in the Riverbend Subdivision have been sold to a Developer and asked for some clarification. Consultant Ganek responded that no lots in the subdivision have been sold. He stated that there is a Developer interested in purchasing some of the lots, but they are currently in bankruptcy and controlled by the bank. The City is currently involved and in the process of resolving the situation. Mr. Felbinger then asked Chief Smith if there is an ordinance regarding parking across the sidewalk in the driveway. He stated that he has a young son who rides his bike and has to go in the grass or street to get through. Chief Smith responded that yes, there is an ordinance regarding this. He indicated that in the winter time, it is allowed to park across the sidewalk in order to get the cars off the street, but the ordinance begins being re-enforced April 1st. Chief Smith stated that he will notify staff to watch for this and remind residents of the ordinance. Lastly, Mr. Felbinger stated that he has spoken with a couple officers regarding the speed sign and “children playing” signs since there are a lot of people speeding by the park. Chief Smith indicated that we need a place to put the sign that is off the street. Mr. Felbinger stated that he would be okay with putting the speed sign in his yard. Chief Smith stated that he will follow up with this situation on Thursday. Mayor Vicary thanked Mr. Felbinger for caring about the community.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve an ordinance amending the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018, for the City of Genoa, DeKalb

County, Illinois, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL FOR THE USE OF CITIZEN'S/CARROLL PARK FOR VARIOUS EVENTS:

- Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve the Kishwaukee Valley Wanderers Use of Citizen's/Carroll Park for their Kayak & Canoe The Kish Event on July 14, 2018, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce President, Cortney Strohacker spoke about the event and indicated that they have added helicopter rides to this event. Ms. Strohacker stated that the helicopter rides will be held in the same place as last year, next to the treatment plant, unless the new storage building obstructs the landing, then it will be held across Madison Street, just south of Carroll Park. Ms. Strohacker also stated that for the Kayak & Canoe Event, they have made some changes from last year. Vehicles will unload at Becker Park, (to avoid congestion on Baseline Road), go to Carroll Memorial to park their vehicles and then be shuttled back to Becker Park to launch. Ms. Strohacker also indicated the Outdoor Education Department from Northern Illinois University will be set up at the event. They will have kayaks & canoes available for rent. Paul Bafia from the Genoa Park District is also letting the Chamber use their kayaks and canoes free of charge. They have 11 of them. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.
- Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce's Use of Citizen's/Carroll Park for their Rockin' The Kish Event on September 7, 2018, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.
- Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce's Use of Citizen's/Carroll Park for their Great Genoa Duck Race Event on September 9, 2018, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Cravatta, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION TO BE SENT TO IDOT SEEKING APPROVAL TO CLOSE ROUTE 72 FOR THE HOMECOMING PARADE: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve a Resolution authorizing a temporary road closure for the Genoa-Kingston High School Homecoming Parade on September 21, 2018, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Cravatta and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE DECLARING PROPERTY SURPLUS: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve an Ordinance declaring certain City property as surplus and approving the sale of said property, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF A PROPOSAL FOR SIDEWALK AND STREET CURB REPAIR AND INSTALLATION: Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve Koncrete Construction's proposal to install and repair City sidewalks and street curbs, not to exceed \$8990.00, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Alderman Stevenson asked if this is the allotted amount in the budget or does the \$8990.00 just happen to be the cost of the repairs. Director Gentile responded that there is \$10,000.00 budgeted. The City is using \$9,000.00 now and will use the remaining \$1,000.00 for miscellaneous sidewalk repairs or for the cutting/grinding of the curbs. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Cravatta, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PUD FOR THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 705 EAST MAIN STREET: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to authorize the approval of an ordinance for the issuance of a Rezoning, Final Planned Unit Development, and Final Subdivision for a Commercial Building located at 705 East Main Street, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Cravatta and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND BUILDING PERMIT FEES: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve an ordinance amending Title 9, Chapter 3, Permit Fees and Appendix A of the City Code of the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Alderman Wesner asked if we have added fees that were not previously there, such as windows and doors. Consultant Ganek responded that no fees were added, they were only adjusted. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF GRANTING A 1 YEAR EXTENSION TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WG MUNICIPAL MANAGEMENT, LLC: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve a Professional Service Contract for Administrative Consultant Services, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to recess into closed session to review and approve the minutes of the previous closed session; for the purpose of discussing land acquisition and for the purpose of discussing pending, probable or imminent litigation, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Cravatta, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Lang to reconvene into open session, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Voice voted taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary stated that in the Closed Session, the minutes of the previous closed session of June 5, 2018 were approved.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Ganek reported that Tuesday, July 10, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. will be the Quarterly Economic Development Commission meeting and the July 12, 2018 Plan Commission meeting has been cancelled. Mr. Ganek stated that the building that burned on Main Street has been sold. The new owners have met with B&F Construction Code Services to get the building up to code. Lastly, Mr. Ganek stated that the adjustments to last year's fiscal budget were very modest and commended staff on a great job of staying within guidelines.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that the Contractor has finished the hot patching and staff will continue to patch as necessary. Mr. Gentile also stated that the water by the river is down and the launch is ready to go. Alderman Lang questioned the status of the resurfacing of Route 72. Director Gentile responded that he just received an email stating that the project is not going forward due to funding at this time. Mr. Gentile stated that the City will be sending a letter and he plans to take pictures of the streets and contact someone higher up at IDOT to express our concerns of this being unacceptable.

Police Department –Chief Smith reported that there will be extra staff on duty for the 4th of July to control fireworks. Chief also stated that Alderman Stevenson put the Police Department in a drawing at Genoa Days and won \$2,500.00 from the DeKalb County Foundation. Chief hopes to purchase a defibrillator with the money. He also stated that Mr. Ron Evers sends donations for the K-9 Unit. We just received a donation from him recently for \$500.00. Chief Smith expressed his gratitude, as the donations help continue the program.

Mayor's Report: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mayor Vicary wished everyone a happy and safe holiday.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
July 17, 2018
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:05 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Winter, Brust and Lang were present. Aldermen Di Guido was absent. Alderman Cravatta joined the meeting a few minutes late.

Mayor Vicary lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speakers – None

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of July 3, 2018, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve payment of the accounts payables for the 1st half of July 2018, in the amount of \$151,166.58, seconded by Alderman Lang. Alderman Brust asked if something major occurred on line item #33 for sweeper maintenance. Public Works Director, Rich Gentile responded yes; the street sweeper is a \$200,000.00 piece of equipment and it needed to be rebuilt. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Alderman Cravatta had not yet joined the meeting. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE CREATING YARD SALE REGULATIONS: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve an ordinance creating Title 3, Business and License Regulations, Chapter 16, Yard Sales, seconded by Alderman Lang. City Consultant, Bill Ganek explained that complaints from residents regarding people having permanent garage/yard sales prompted the consideration of this ordinance; as typical garage sales are over a weekend and then done. Consultant Ganek stated that Alderman Di Guido had previously asked if there was a current ordinance that controls garage/yard sales and the answer was no; it just states that a garage sale is a temporary use. Staff researched a few ordinances to create a new garage/yard sale ordinance and changed some of the wording as Alderman Di Guido had found some Scribner's errors. After some discussion amongst Council regarding where garage/yard sale signs would be allowed to be put up, how many days and number of times the sales would be allowed and that the citation & mandatory court appearance seemed to be a bit harsh, it was determined to table it for now. Alderman Wesner requested to withdraw her motion and Alderman Lang requested to withdraw her seconded motion. End of discussion at this time; will be brought up again at a future meeting after revisions have been made per Council's request.

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE CREATING SMALL WIRELESS FACILITIES REGULATIONS: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve an ordinance creating Title 7, Public Ways and Property, Chapter 9, Construction of Utility Facilities in Rights-of-Way, Section 4, Subsection D.6 and Section 25, Small Wireless Facilities, seconded by Alderman Winter. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Carroll to recess into closed session to review and approve the minutes of the previous closed session and for the purpose of discussing pending, probable or imminent litigation, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to reconvene into open session, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice voted taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary stated that in the Closed Session, the minutes of the previous closed session of July 3, 2018 were approved.

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION REGARDING IMMINENT LITIGATION RELATED TO RIVERBEND SUBDIVISION: Motion made by Alderman Cravatta to approve a Resolution regarding imminent litigation for the Riverbend Subdivision, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Ganek reported that the Committee of the Whole meeting has been cancelled for July 30, 2018. The next City Council meeting will be August 7, 2018. The next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for August 9, 2018. Consultant Ganek reported that staff and the Mayor have met with the Village of Kingston regarding the City's sewer agreement with them. The City has informed them that their sewer rates will be increasing. Lastly, Mr. Ganek reported that the City is still discussing options regarding Dispatch. Alderman Lang asked if the Village of Kingston will begin paying the same rates as Genoa residents. Consultant Ganek responded that the Village of Kingston would be paying slightly less, as they will be maintaining their own sewer pipes.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that one of the full time Public Works staff members has put in their 2 week resignation, so Public Works will be hiring a replacement. He stated that the job opening will be posted on the City's website and in the Daily Chronicle newspaper. Director Gentile also responded that truck #101 was sold for \$2,100.00 on the govdeals.com auction site.

Police Department – Chief Smith was on vacation. Acting Chief Edwards had nothing to report.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Vicary reported that the Canoe the Kish Event was a success. There were 219 canoes. Also, there were 179 helicopter riders, so that event was successful as well. Lastly, he reported that the DeKalb Community Gardens sent an email thanking the City for hosting their mobile food pantry and education center event.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mayor Vicary announced that the Movies on Main Street Event will be on Saturday, July 21st, the Genoa Market will be on Saturday, July 28th, and the Cruizin' to Genoa Car Show will be on Saturday, August 18th.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Brust. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
August 7, 2018
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, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter, Brust and Lang were present. Aldermen Stevenson and Cravatta were absent.

Mayor Vicary lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speakers – City Clerk Winker swore in Part Time Officer, Robert Barnett and Full Time Officer, Adam Schuring. A short break was taken for photographs with family and friends.

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of July 17, 2018, 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 2nd half of July 2018, in the amount of \$134,187.21, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Brust asked about line item #11 to C.E.S. Inc. Consultant Ganek responded that it was payment for an engineering infrastructure evaluation in the Riverbend Subdivision. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF THE PURCHASE OF A MOWER ATTACHMENT: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve the purchase of a mower attachment from CSR Bobcat, not to exceed \$4,701.20, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING THE CITY TO DISCONTINUE WATER SERVICE IF ACCESS IS NOT GRANTED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF MAILING A NOTIFICATION LETTER TO REPAIR OR REPLACE A WATER METER: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve an ordinance amending Title 8, Water and Sewer Regulations, Chapter 3, Section 13, Right of Access, of the Municipal Code of the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Brust asked if the ordinance could be amended to 60 days instead of 30 days to discontinue water service. City Attorney, Jack Slingerland indicated that it could be amended with a motion and second motion. Alderman Lang made a motion to amend the ordinance to 60 days instead of 30 days for discontinuation of water service. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes to amend. Roll call vote was taken to approve the amended ordinance. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Winter and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Ganek reported that the next Plan Commission meeting would be Thursday, August 9, 2018 at 7 p.m. and the proposal of the IBEW Training Facility located at Walnut/South Sycamore and Forest View Drive would be on the agenda. They are a Union for

Electrical Workers. They would like to use the property for an outdoor training facility. The property is zoned commercial and they are proposing a Planned Unit Development, not a rezoning. Mr. Ganek also stated that Dollar General has started their project and hope to be done by the end of 2018. Alderman Carroll asked for an update regarding Dunkin Donuts. Mr. Ganek stated that the property is owned by a 3rd party and Dunkin Donuts would be a tenant. He also indicated that he had spoken with a representative of the Dunkin Donuts franchise earlier that day. The franchises have territories or zones and the representative Mr. Ganek spoke with, is interested in this area for the location of a Dunkin Donuts.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that he had not received any response back from IDOT in reference to the letter he sent regarding their decision to not repair Route 72. Mr. Gentile indicated that he will continue to contact IDOT to get some information. Alderman Brust commended Director Gentile and his staff for the tremendous work they have done on the Riverbend Trails. Mr. Gentile stated that he is currently working on a map for back there, as it is can be difficult to find your way out.

Police Department –Chief Smith thanked the City for allowing the additional part and full time officers to be brought on board. He stated that this will cut down on overtime. Chief Smith indicated that part time Officer Barnett will be attending a part time academy that is classroom and computer based and he will be completely certified in June of 2019. School reconvenes on August 15th. Officer Gates will be on staff full time while school is in session. The City has a contract with the school that the City and the School will each pay 50% of Officer Gates wages. Chief Smith also stated that the school gave the City 2 new defibrillators for all of the assistance the City and Officer Gates provided during the previous school year. Alderman Lang asked if the digital radios are in. Chief Smith responded yes. The Sheriff's office has them. They will be distributed once they have been programed.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Vicary reported that the new skate park is open and looks great. The Cruizin' to Genoa Car Show will be on August 18, 2018.

ANNOUNCEMENTS –None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Brust. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
August 21, 2018
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, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Lang were present. Aldermen Brust and Cravatta were absent.

Mayor Vicary lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speakers –None

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of August 7, 2018, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve payment of the accounts payables for the 1st half of August 2018, in the amount of \$64,305.05, seconded by Alderman Lang. Alderman Carroll asked if item #4 to B&F Construction Code Services is a monthly bill. Consultant Ganek responded yes, depending on building permits issued each month. Alderman Carroll asked if the City would recoup some of those fees. Consultant Ganek responded that the City will recoup all of the fees from the Builders who request the permits. Alderman Lang asked if there has been any performance feedback for the job that ENCAP, Inc. is doing on the native area wetlands. Public Works Director, Rich Gentile responded that they are doing a great job. They had just been there the previous week to get rid of the weeds so they don't overwhelm the wetland areas. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – Mr. Chuck Berndt addressed Council and stated that there used to be speed limit signs posted on both sides of the road, heading South on Derby Line Road, just past Walnut Street where it curves. He indicated that they were taken out some time ago during road construction and were not put back up. Mr. Berndt stated that there is currently only 1 speed limit sign when turning onto Derby Line Road from Route 23. He indicated that there is no sign posted on the East bound side of the road going around the turn and isn't sure if that would be a City or County issue. Mr. Berndt stated that he would like to see a speed limit sign by the curve to eliminate the confusion as to what the speed limit is. Director Gentile stated that the City will look into it.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW THE KISHWAUKEE VALLEY WANDERERS USE OF CARROLL MEMORIAL PARK AND TWO ONE DAY LIQUOR LICENSES: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve a Resolution for two one day liquor licenses and fund raising event for September 7&8, 2018, for the Kishwaukee Valley Wanderers, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PRELIMINARY PUD FOR THE PROPOSED IBEW ELECTRICAL TRAINING FACILITY: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve an Ordinance granting the issuance of a preliminary Planned Unit Development for a training facility located between Walnut Street and Forest View Drive, along Sycamore Street, seconded by

Alderman Stevenson. Alderman Di Guido stated that in reading the memo regarding the proposed training facility, he noticed that one of the concerns is the speed limit on Derby Line Road, so signage would be beneficial. Consultant Ganek responded that this would be discussed at the next staff meeting. Alderman Lang asked for confirmation that the lighting, landscaping and final engineering would be brought back to the Plan Commission and City Council at a later date. Consultant Ganek responded yes. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Ganek reported that the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for August 27, 2018 has been cancelled. He also reported that the next Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for September 20, 2018 and if everything is in order and we receive the completed packet from the Developer, the Riverbend Proposal will be on the agenda. Mr. Ganek indicated that in the next few weeks, some staff will be attending small business connection meetings sponsored by NIU and DeKalb County. The City is attending to see if any businesses would be interested in opening in Genoa to assist with growth and development in our community.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that August 24, 2018 is the deadline for the Public Works job applications. So far, he has received 11 applications. He also reported that the downtown streetlights on the South side have been tripping. Meade Electric will be coming out to repair them.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that they will be moving the speed trailer to Sycamore/Derby Line Road. He stated that he receives emails when people are speeding and he has received quite a few of them. He also indicated that he will have to research that area because he believes that by the curve, it may be County property. Chief Smith also reported that the Police Department received a donation of \$1,000.00 from former Alderman, Laurie Curley. The money will be used to purchase another Taser. Lastly, Chief Smith handed out a report of the number of calls the Police Department has received and they have gone up except non-injury accidents. He stated that most calls are domestic battery and fights.

Mayor's Report - Mayor Vicary reported that the Cruizin' to Genoa Car Show was very successful. He stated that there were approximately 200 vehicles. He also reported that he has sent a letter to Secretary of Transportation, Randall Blakenhorn, State Representative, Jeff Keicher and State Senator, Dave Syverson regarding the decision to not do road repairs on Route 72 in Genoa. Director Rich Gentile had previously sent a letter regarding this matter and received no response.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alderman Winter stated that the Camelot School has started classes and everything has been going smoothly so far. Resident, Gordon Jones announced Pioneer Day is scheduled for August 26th. Alderman Di Guido recognized Mike Cretsinger from Genoa Motors Auto Repair, who put in a Joe Misurelli memorial bench to show appreciation for all of Joe's help in expanding Mike's business. Alderman Carroll stated that the new PolarTech building on Railroad Street is looking nice.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
September 4, 2018
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, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Lang were present. Aldermen Brust and Cravatta were absent.

Mayor Vicary lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speakers –None

Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of August 21, 2018, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve payment of the accounts payables for the 2nd half of August 2018, in the amount of \$239,179.25, seconded by Alderman Lang. Alderman Lang asked what services Direct Energy provides. Consultant Ganek responded electric service. Alderman Lang also asked which property the Nicor Gas service payment is for. Consultant Ganek responded the payment is for all of the City properties. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE SPEED LIMIT ON DERBY LINE ROAD: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve an Ordinance amending Title 6, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Chapter 1, General Traffic Provisions, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Alderman Stevenson asked for clarification regarding this. He stated that the amendment to this Ordinance is to change the speed limit, but Resident, Chuck Berndt who spoke at the August 21, 2018 City Council meeting asked for more signage, which is a separate issue than this proposed Ordinance amendment. Chief Smith stated that the speed limit currently goes from 45 mph down to 25 mph, so if the speed is reduced, additional signage will be necessary. Alderman Lang voiced that Derby Line Road has very limited development. She stated that when turning onto Derby Line Road from Route 23, the curve is approximately a ½ mile; in that stretch, there is a setback subdivision, a commercial use building, open land and a few homes when approaching the curve, so she doesn't believe reducing the speed prior to approaching the curve is warranted. Alderman Wesner asked if the speed sign was put out there for monitoring. Chief Smith responded not yet, but it will be. Aldermen Di Guido voiced that with the coming of the IBEW training facility, there will be more people in that area going to and from classes, so he believes a lower speed limit is necessary. Alderman Lang & Chief Smith suggested making the speed 40 mph the entire stretch from Route 23 through the curve until it reduces to 25 mph just north of Walnut Street. Consultant Ganek indicated that in the traffic control book, he believes it states that the reduction in speed must go in 10 mph increments and that would be 15 mph. After additional discussion amongst Council, it was determined that it would be best to table it until the next meeting to allow staff to research and have it clearly mapped out. Alderman Lang made a motion to lay the item on the table, seconded by Alderman Di Guido, Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner,

Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried. Mayor Vicary stated that this item will be on the agenda at the next City Council meeting under Old Business.

CONSIDERATION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE GENOA PARK DISTRICT TO ALLOW FOR RENOVATION OF THEIR LEASED SPACE: Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Genoa and the Genoa Park District, to allow the Park District to make certain renovation improvements to the second level of City Hall, seconded by Alderman Lang. Alderman Wesner asked if this pertained to the water billing or if it is just for the renovations. Consultant Ganek responded that it is only for the renovations. Alderman Carroll asked if the renovations are going where the office spaces currently are and if the Park District will be paying for that additional space. Consultant Ganek responded that the Park District is already paying for that space, as it was included in the contract that was last negotiated in 2017. Alderman Carroll asked if the walls being taken down will be major construction. Director Gentile responded no because they are not supporting walls. Director Gentile also stated that they will have a structural engineer come in to ensure that the renovations will not jeopardize the structure of the building. Director Gentile indicated that these renovations are crucial to the Park District in order to stay competitive with other fitness facilities. Director Gentile stated that the Park District staff will be doing the renovations and will need to provide the City with a list of sub-contractors if applicable. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF SALT SPREADING EQUIPMENT: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve the purchase of one salt spreader and two controllers, not to exceed \$9,248.00, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Alderman Stevenson, Winter, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Ganek reported that we are 4 months into our fiscal year and staff is beginning to discuss next year's budget. He suggested possibly doing a brief presentation at a Committee of the Whole meeting in November to show where we are at the 6 month mark in our current budget. Mr. Ganek also reported that Mayor Vicary and Chief Smith sent a letter to DeKalb County regarding dispatch services since we have received mixed to no responses from them. The letter was sent to the entire DeKalb County Board as well. Mr. Ganek then reported that after Mayor Vicary sent a letter to Illinois State Representatives regarding the road conditions on Route 72, we received a response from IDOT stating that due to lack of funding, they are unable to do the repairs at this time, but Genoa is next on the list for patching this year. Mr. Ganek then reported that the Village of Kingston sewer rates will be going up approximately 60% and they have asked to phase that in over a period of 2 years. Lastly, Mr. Ganek addressed the issues that the Park District has regarding paying for water and the timeliness of snow plowing. He stated that he has talked with the Park District Director, Paul Bafia and reiterated that the contract states that the Park District is responsible for their share of the utilities and plowing of the streets is the City's main priority. Plowing of the Fitness Center parking lot will be done when time permits.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that due to the storm, there was damage from some parkway trees. His staff has been working hard to clean up branches and debris. Public Works has begun setting up for Volksfest this upcoming weekend.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that Pioneer Days went well. He stated that Volksfest starts Friday, as well as it being the 1st home football game at the high school. Lastly, Chief Smith reported that he received the new Taser that was purchased with the donation from Laurie Curley.

Mayor's Report - Mayor Vicary reported that the letter sent to the DeKalb County Board members regarding dispatch services fees, included statistics showing that Cortland's population is 4,200 and they pay \$56,000 for dispatch services. Genoa's population is 5,200 and we pay **\$163,000** for dispatch services. Mayor Vicary also stated that he reached out to State Representative, Jeff Keicher while he was here at City Hall doing a meet and greet session, regarding the letter that was sent to him about the repairs not being done on Route 72. Mr. Keicher addressed the situation and we received a response back from IDOT the next day. Alderman Lang thanked Mayor Vicary and Consultant Ganek for sending those letters and reaching out to State Representative's to start getting repairs done.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
September 18, 2018
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, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust and Lang were present. Alderman Cravatta was absent.

Mayor Vicary lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speakers –None

Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of September 4, 2018, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve payment of the accounts payables for the 1st half of September 2018, in the amount of \$35,737.45, seconded by Alderman Winter. Alderman Winter questioned line item #12, asking what the Leonard home is. Consultant Ganek responded that it is the home on South Sycamore Street that has several on-going issues that the City is taking action on, to resolve. Alderman Lang asked if a commercial level of license was required to appraise the property. City Attorney, Jack Slingerland responded that a certified appraiser was necessary due to the judge only accepting an expert opinion in court. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

OLD BUSINESS – CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE SPEED LIMIT ON DERBY LINE ROAD: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve an Ordinance amending Title 6, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Chapter 1, General Traffic Provisions, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS - None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – Consultant Ganek reported that a letter has been issued to the Village of Kingston regarding the increase in sewer rates to be more in alignment with the rates Genoa residents pay. Since the Village of Kingston will be maintaining their own sewer pipes, they will pay slightly less than Genoa residents. The increase will be phased in over a 2 year period beginning January 1, 2019. Mr. Ganek also reported that the September 24, 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting has been cancelled, but there will be one coming up to see where the City stands with the current fiscal year budget. The next Plan Commission meeting will be Thursday, September 20, 2018, where a proposal for an amendment to the River Bend subdivision will be presented. The proposal is related to Unit 4 as it pertains to the footprints of the building. It was and will continue to be intended for residents ages 55 and older and will be townhouses. The proposal also includes amendments to Unit 6, which were originally intended to be single family homes, but the builder is proposing to build townhomes instead; still age restricted to residents ages 55 and older. Consultant Ganek invited the Aldermen to attend the Plan Commission meeting, but cautioned against them speaking due to the Plan Commission needing unbiased feedback from the Developer and the audience, as well as the decision of approving the proposal would ultimately be that of the City Council.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that our Streets, Sewer and Forestry Supervisor, Janice Melton has been nominated for Outstanding Operator of the Year. She is 1 of 7 nominees and he commended her for doing an excellent job in our treatment plant. Mr. Gentile was also appreciative to the EPA for recognizing Genoa, since we are a smaller community. He also reported that the mums this year will not be in the hanging baskets downtown. They don't seem to flourish very well in them, so they will be planted in the ground at City Hall, around Monument Signs and at Public Works. A few will be in the planters downtown that are on the sidewalks. Mr. Gentile then went over the maps that were created for the trails. He stated that next fall there will be a kiosk at the "Y" section of the trails, with information for all three sides. He indicated that Public Works will be putting a few picnic tables and trash containers out there as well. Lastly, he stated that staff will be discussing mosquito spraying at their staff meeting the following morning. Alderman Brust asked if in the area where the limestone gravel trails are, if Public Works could lay down some gravel between the unfinished road and the trail because there are large ruts and it is difficult to walk or ride bikes across there. Director Gentile responded that we could possibly put a small area of gravel down. He indicated that originally it wasn't done because the City didn't want people going back there and dumping things. Alderman Brust also asked who controls Central Park in River Bend. Director Gentile responded that the City owns it, but leases it to the Park District, so if any amenities are requested, it should be brought to the Park District and they will contact the City with what they are proposing to do. Aldermen Brust would like to see a soccer field, baseball diamond and/or tennis courts added to Central Park.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that his department has hired 2 Auxiliary Officers. An arrest has been made related to the car break-in's that have been going on. A firearm that was stolen from one of those vehicles has been recovered. Officer Barnett passed his power tests. That is the first step of the academy program. He will graduate in June of 2019. Homecoming is Friday, September 21st, the parade will be at 3:30 pm and the football game is at 7 pm. Chief Smith stated the Police Department would be having a department meeting the next day at 5:30 pm and invited Council Members to stop by and introduce themselves and meet some of the officers. Lastly, Chief Smith reported that he received approximately 20 emails that the speed sign on Derby Line Road clocked speed over 60 mph.

Mayor's Report - Mayor Vicary reported that Volksfest was a great success. He indicated that Brian Wallace stated there were approximately 600 to 700 people in attendance over the weekend. Mayor Vicary expressed his appreciation to the KishValley Wonderers, including Brian Wallace and Carolyn Tobinon; Cortney Strohacker and Krissy Johnson from the Genoa Chamber, and all of the other volunteers who donated their time to make the event successful.

ANNOUNCEMENTS –Mayor Vicary stated that this Thursday, September 20, 2018, State Senator Dave Syverson and State Representative Jeff Keicher will be having an unplugged politics event here at City Hall from 11:30 am to 1 pm. Alderman Wesner announced that Crumpets will be closing and it's unfortunate that the business was unable to succeed. Alderman Di Guido stated that DeKalb County will be honoring State Representative Bob Pritchard on September 19, 2018. It will be an open house from 5:30 pm to 7 pm.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
October 2, 2018
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 Carroll, Stevenson, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. Aldermen Wesner, Winter and Di Guido were absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of September 18, 2018, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of September 2018 in the amount of \$139,371.51, seconded by Alderman Lang. Alderman Carroll questioned item #26 to Napa. She asked if we are doing our own service on the Public Works equipment. Director Gentile responded, as much as possible. Alderman Carroll also expressed that she was glad to see the City supporting local businesses. Alderman Brust inquired about item #13 to DeKalb County Dispatch. He asked if there has been any progress made. Consultant Ganek responded that a letter from Mayor Vicary was sent to the DeKalb County and we have received no response. He indicated that staff is currently working on additional correspondence to send the County referencing the fact that we should be paying considerably less for dispatch services. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Carroll, Stevenson and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY 2017-2018 AUDIT REPORT: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve the acceptance of the FY 2017-2018 Audit Report, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Brian LeFevre, a partner of Sikich, LLP was in attendance to present a summary regarding the report results from the audit for fiscal year ending April 30, 2018. The City of Genoa has received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 12th consecutive year. Mr. LeFevre stated that the audit went very smoothly and was completed on a timely basis. Alderman Lang asked Mr. LeFevre how being “fully collateralized” is determined, meaning, is it something that is monitored annually, monthly, etc. Mr. LeFevre responded that he believes the City monitors it throughout the year, but they (the auditors) monitor it annually from the City’s balance sheet at the fiscal year end on April 30th each year. He also stated that he has never seen a time when the City of Genoa has not been fully collateralized. Alderman Lang also asked Mr. LeFevre to describe what a weighted return is. He responded that a weighted return would take in consideration the flow of funds and weights out the money that is in the plan across the entire year, instead of determining investment earnings by looking at the investments at the beginning of the year versus the end of the year. Alderman Brust questioned the Police Retirement and Pension Funds. He stated that the City contributed approximately \$353,000 to the Police

Pension Fund and approximately \$63,000 for the Police Retirement Fund, for fiscal year ending April 30, 2018. He asked if as the percentage of funding increases, would the Police Pension Fund contributions decrease. Mr. LeFevre responded that the Police Pension Fund is a fairly new plan. The Police officers were previously enrolled in IMRF, but once the City of Genoa's population grew to over 5,000, we were required by law to start a Police Pension Plan. When this happened, funds did not roll over into the Police Pension plan, but the liabilities did. Mr. LeFevre stated that it may take approximately 25 to 30 years for the Police Pension Plan to be fully funded. Mr. LeFevre indicated that an Actuary is required to calculate a number that would get us to 100% by the year 2040. He stated that in the Actuary's report, it should show some different trends and suggested having the Actuary do a presentation for the Council. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE USE OF MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF A CONTRACTED ROAD SALT PURCHASE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,000: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve a Resolution requesting the use of motor fuel tax funds for the purpose of maintaining streets under the Illinois Highway Code, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Carroll, Stevenson, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER WATERMAIN IMPROVEMENTS ON HILL STREET AND EMMETT STREET: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve water main work on Hill Street and Emmett Street, in an amount not to exceed \$11,000, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Alderman Lang asked if surge protector apparatus's are something we have throughout the City or if they are new. Director Gentile responded they are new; they help with aging water mains when there are different elevations; they assist in absorbing the shocks. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Carroll, Stevenson, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A NEW SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT ON A CDAP LOAN WITH LLOYD'S LANDSCAPING: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve a Resolution authorizing a new Subordination Agreement of a CDAP Loan with Lloyd's Landscaping, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Carroll asked for confirmation that if Lloyd's Landscaping defaults on their CDAP loan, the Bank would receive their money before the City. Consultant Ganek confirmed yes, that is correct. He indicated that the Lloyd's are asking the Bank for an additional loan to begin doing design work for improvements and to build the Banquet Hall Facility. The Bank wants clarification that the City would remain in the secondary position. Alderman Lang stated that she believes that the reason we take the position that we do is to encourage the economic health of business enterprises in the City. Alderman Carroll also expressed that a banquet hall would be phenomenal for Genoa. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Carroll, Stevenson, Cravatta and Brust voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – City Consultant, Bill Ganek reported that staff will continue to work on getting a response regarding from DeKalb County regarding the dispatch issues. The Plan Commission meeting scheduled for October 11, 2018 will be cancelled, but there will most likely be a meeting in November. At the last Plan Commission meeting on September 20, 2018, the PUD amendment for the River Bend subdivision was reviewed. It was recommended by the Plan Commission to approve the PUD amendment, but due to some of the properties still being in litigation with the Bank and the FDIC, the project will not be presented to City Council for approval.

yet. Alderman Carroll asked if Dunkin Donuts has pulled out from coming to Genoa. Consultant Ganek stated that he has not heard that, but the owner of the property indicated that they negotiated a letter of intent with Dunkin Donuts, but the Corporate Owner of Dunkin Donuts has not approved the letter of intent; which is not a contract. A letter of intent just takes the property off the market until terms are worked out. When the process began, the City was told that they had a letter of intent, but the Representative that had it, did not have authorization in this jurisdiction.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that he has hired a full time employee in Public Works who will be starting October 8th. Alderman Stevenson asked if there has been any update from IDOT regarding Route 72 repairs. Mr. Gentile responded that he will follow up with IDOT and provide an update at the next City Council meeting.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that he received the report from the speed trailer on Derby Line Road. It has been there for 26 days. In that 26 days, over 58,000 cars drove on that road. The highest speed reported was 86 mph. The higher speeds occurred mostly between the hours of 2 pm and 8 pm and 85% of the drivers averaged a speed of 44 mph. Chief Smith also indicated that the speed trailer was placed on Hadsall Street, but reports showed that most people were going under 25 mph. The route for the homecoming parade will be changed for next year due to some minor issues. Both Custom Aluminum and Sycamore Precision workers were done with work when the parade was starting, which caused some congestion. Chief Smith also reported that October 11th will be the ribbon cutting for Genoa Motors, as well as presenting the dedication bench to Joe Misurelli.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Vicary reported that packets are available for the April 2019 Election. He also stated that he was made aware of issues with our sound system, so we are looking into updating the equipment.

Announcements– None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Lang, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
October 16, 2018
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, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust and Lang were present. Aldermen Cravatta arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of October 2, 2018, seconded by Alderman Brust. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve payment of the accounts payables for the first half of October 2018 in the amount of \$87,224.12, seconded by Alderman Lang. Alderman Stevenson questioned line item #30 for generator repairs. Public Works Director, Rich Gentile responded that the cost was for replacing the generator batteries, which needs to be done every three years. Consultant Ganek added that the generator compares to an engine; therefore the batteries are large, resulting in higher cost. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson and Winter voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OF TWO SNOWPLOWS: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve the purchase of two snowplows, not to exceed \$11,445.22, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER THE WAVING OF THE BID PROCESS AND APPROVAL OF STREET REPAIRS AND PAVING AT CITIZEN’S PARK: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to wave the bid process and approve street repairs and paving of the parking lot at Citizen’s Park, not to exceed \$28,028.00, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Director Gentile was asked if these improvements would exhaust the grant monies the City received for improvements. He responded yes; \$11,200.00 of the grant would be used for paving the parking lot at Citizen’s Park. Director Gentile was also asked what the anticipated maintenance of the parking lot would be. He responded that the maintenance would be low; since it is street quality, it will only need seal coated every 3 or 4 years and also snow plowing it in the winter. At this point, only the parking lot will be paved, not the paths. Alderman Cravatta arrived. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER RENEWING LEASE AGREEMENTS FOR OLD CITY HALL AT 113 NORTH GENOA STREET:

- Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve a renewal of a lease agreement with Scott Herron for property at 113 North Genoa Street, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote

was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes. Motion carried.

- Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve a renewal of a lease agreement with Crown Exteriors for property at 113 North Genoa Street, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to recess into closed session to review and approve the minutes of the previous closed session and for the purpose of discussing pending, probable or imminent litigation, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to reconvene into open session, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice voted taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary stated that in the Closed Session, the minutes of the previous closed session of July 17, 2018 were approved

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – City Consultant, Bill Ganek reported that the October Committee of the Whole meeting has been cancelled, but there will most likely be a November meeting to discuss where the City stands half way through the current fiscal year budget.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that Public Works is finishing street repairs and brush pick up has ended. Alderman Wesner asked if there are plans of putting a sidewalk in leading up to the new Dollar General. Director Gentile responded that at this time no. There was some discussion amongst Council regarding the safety of children walking along Route 72 to go to Dollar General and there not being sidewalks. It was also suggested to put a crosswalk at Routes 72 and 23 by McDonalds. Director Gentile responded that the City will look into some options. Alderman Stevenson suggested putting a glass window in at the counter of the Police Department to provide a safety barrier between staff and people coming in. Acting Chief Edwards stated that there has been some discussion regarding that, due to the Administrative Secretary being exposed should a hostile situation arise. Director Gentile stated that he will discuss the situation with Chief Smith.

Police Department – Acting Chief Edwards reported that starting November 1st, the Police Department will be starting a food drive. There will be a box in the lobby to collect canned goods and non-perishable foods. The food drive will go through the month of November and the collected goods will be donated to the Food Pantry. Acting Chief Edwards also reported that the Police Department will be participating in “No Shave November” to help raise money for Cancer Awareness. There will be a site set up to receive donations, as well as a Facebook Page. They hope to raise \$2,500 for the cause.

Mayor’s Report – None

Announcements – Alderman Cravatta announced that his annual Halloween Party will be on Saturday, October 27th and everyone is invited.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
November 6, 2018
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, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. City Clerk Kim Winker was absent; Clerk Pro-Tem Janis Tures was in attendance.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – None

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of October 16, 2018, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve payment of the accounts payables for the second half of October 2018, with the removal of item #74, in the amount of \$25,980.28, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Lang, Wesner and Carroll voted yes, Alderman Brust Abstained and Alderman Cravatta voted No. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF GENOA'S ORDINANCE PROHIBITING SEXUAL HARASSMENT: Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve an Ordinance amending Title 1, Administration, Chapter 17, Ethics, Section 7 of the City Code of the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman DiGuido. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER A RESOLUTION RELEASING A LETTER OF CREDIT FOR PAVEMENT REPAIR WORK TO WALNUT STREET: Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve a Resolution authorizing the City Clerk to release a letter of credit for pavement repair work to Walnut Street between Madison Street and South Oak Creek Drive, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, and Brust, voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF THE 2018 TAX LEVY DETERMINATION FOR THE CITY OF GENOA, AS REQUIRED BY STATE STATUTE: Alderman Brust asked how the tax levy is calculated, Treasurer Janis Tures noted the calculations are based on the estimated assessed value (EAV) received from the County, multiplied by the City's tax rate, to determine the total property tax revenue the City will receive next year. Alderman Cravatta questioned what would happen if we did not approve the tax levy determination. City Consultant Bill Ganek stated the City would not get any money. Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve the 2018 tax levy determination for the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Alderman Winter and Cravatta abstained. Motion carried. Mayor Vicary suggested a workshop or class to help the Aldermen understand the tax levy process.

CONSIDER WAVING OF THE BID PROCESS AND APPROVAL OF AERATION TANK PIPE REPAIR AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to waive the bid process and approve aeration tank pipe repair at the wastewater treatment plant not to exceed \$35,612, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Winter to recess into closed session to review and approve the minutes of the previous closed session and for the purpose of discussing pending, probable or imminent litigation, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to reconvene into open session, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice voted taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vicary stated that in the Closed Session, the minutes of the previous closed session of October 16, 2018 were approved.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – City Consultant, Bill Ganek reported that the January 1, 2019 City Council meeting will need to be rescheduled and asked for input. Mr. Ganek also noted the City received a letter from DeKalb County regarding the dispatch rates, stating it is really a non-response letter and staff will be discussing the next action. Alderman Brust asked if we can invest in infrastructure to have more options. Chief Smith noted we are already changing to digital radios, but have still been unable to find another dispatch to take us on.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported the Citizen's Park parking lot has been paved, but will not be striped until next year, and holiday lights and decorations will be completed prior to the Celebrate the Season event. Alderman Lang questioned how long the street sweepers will be out and if they are doing all City streets. Director Gentile noted they will be out cleaning up leaves this week.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported there were no issues on Halloween and that parents have been requesting a later end time for Trick-or-Treating. Chief Smith is against an extended time. Chief Smith noted the "No Shave November" fund raiser has raised \$3,600 to date for Cancer Awareness.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Vicary discussed the need for a Special City Council meeting next week. City Council discussed possible dates and the meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, November 14th at 2:00 p.m. Mayor Vicary also noted the Chamber State of the City event will be on Tuesday, November 13th and the City will be announcing the Memorial Tree in the lobby in memory of Joe Misurelli.

Announcements – None

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
Special City Council Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2018
2:00 P.M.

Mayor Vicary announced that Attorney Kelly Cahill would be joining the meeting instead of Attorney Jack Slingerland, who was unable to attend. Mayor Vicary called the Special Meeting of the City Council to order at 2:10 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Stevenson, Winter and Lang were present. Motion made by Alderman Carroll to allow Aldermen Di Guido, Cravatta and Brust to join the meeting electronically, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to recess into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing pending, probable or imminent litigation, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to reconvene into Open Session, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Council Members had a few questions for Brian Grainger before voting on the agenda items. Mr. Grainger was asked if the construction equipment would have some type of screen or fencing around it since the designated equipment area backs up to several homes in the subdivision. Brian responded that a temporary construction fence with a gated area would be put up and then taken down once construction has been completed. Attorney Kelly Cahill suggested adding a condition to the Ordinance stating that the construction equipment storage be designated to Lot 454 and is subject to the approval of the Public Works Director to ensure the area is not unsightly to the surrounding neighbors. There was some discussion regarding the reason for closing off Winding Trail at Preserve Drive. Mr. Grainger stated that since that area will be residents 55 years of age and older, it is for safety/security. It was agreed that language would be put in the Ordinance that the street would not be blocked off until 25% of those homes are built and occupied. Mr. Grainger was asked if the resident's that are currently in that area and are 55+ years old, would be given the opportunity to join the Home Owner's Association and be allowed to use the Clubhouse. Mr. Grainger responded yes, they will be given the option. Mr. Grainger then confirmed that the 2 signs on Route 72 are temporary and will be removed once construction is complete. Resident, Gordon Jones asked what type of fencing, if any, would be around the Lots during construction. Mr. Grainger responded that due to land drainage requirements, silk fencing would be used. He indicated that the silk fencing also helps define boundary lines to ensure equipment isn't on neighboring properties.

CONSIDER A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE RIVERBEND SUBDIVISION: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve a Resolution authorizing the execution of a Development Agreement with Brian Grainger for the development of the Riverbend Subdivision, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AMENDED FINAL PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT AND AMENDED FINAL PLAT FOR UNITS 4, 5, AND 6 OF THE RIVERBEND SUBDIVISION AND A PLAT OF VACATION FOR A PORTION OF STEARN DRIVE AND ANGLER LANE: Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve an Ordinance approving an amended Final Planned Unit Development and amended Final Plat for Units 4, 5, and 6 of the Riverbend Subdivision and a Plat of Vacation for a portion of Stearn Drive and Angler Lane, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Attorney Kelly Cahill suggested adding 2 conditions to the Ordinance; the first one being Section 1- M; designated area for construction equipment storage will be Lot 454 and subject to approval by Public Works Director of the City. The second condition being in Section 1 – O; the blocking off of Winding Trail to be delayed until 25% of the homes are built and occupied. Alderman Stevenson accepted the amended terms, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to adjourn the meeting at 3:05 pm, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Voice voted taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
November 20, 2018
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, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Brust were present. Aldermen Lang and Cravatta joined the meeting a few minutes late. Alderman Carroll was absent.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker – Cortney Strohacker, Executive Director of the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce began by thanking Council, the Police Department and Public Works for their continued support at events, as well as their time volunteering at them. She gave an overview of the Chamber's various events. Cortney indicated that the events have been very successful and believes that marketing through social media, news columns, radio interviews and commercials has helped draw in people from surrounding areas. She also stated that there are currently 176 Chamber Members and indicated that the Chamber's annual budget is \$100,000 per year. She stated that they rely heavily on donations and the help of volunteers, to stay within their guidelines. Cortney also indicated that the Chamber provided a platform for the DeKalb County Community Foundation to celebrate their 25th Anniversary. That evening the DCCF awarded the Genoa Police Department a check in the amount of \$2,500.00. The Chamber supports local businesses through their weekly newsletter, ribbon cuttings, trainings, luncheons, business to business connections and business to community connections. The City currently sponsors a total of \$1,000 annually towards various events, in addition to donating work hours the Public Works Department spends setting up and taking down events, as well as the Police Officers when they work the events. After some discussion, it was decided that the City will continue to work with the Chamber in providing as much support as possible, to ensure the growth and greater good of our Community.

Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of November 6, 2018, seconded by Alderman Brust. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve payment of the accounts payables for the 1st half of November 2018, in the amount of \$105,235.38, seconded by Alderman Wesner. Chief Smith noted that line item #16 to Jansen Electronics was not just for the cameras downtown; it was also for upgrades to the Police Department camera and software. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER AN AGREEMENT WITH THE DEKALB COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR A \$4,500 GRANT: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve an Agreement with the DeKalb County Community Foundation for a Grant of \$4,500 for the rental of the Clearas Mobile Testing Trailer, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER A RESOLUTION WITH IDOT FOR DOLLAR GENERAL ACCESS: Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve a Resolution authorizing construction of an access to Route 72, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administrative Report – City Consultant, Bill Ganek reported that the 10 year litigation with the Riverbend project has been released. He stated that 41 of the single family lots in Unit 2 will begin development in the very near future. Consultant Ganek also reported that the building downtown that had the fire, has applied for a building permit that is currently under review, so it should be cleaned up and ready for a tenant soon. There has been no change as it pertains to finding an alternate dispatch option; the City will continue to work on it. Lastly, we are behind schedule with presenting to the Council, where the City stands half way into our fiscal year, due to working on the Riverbend litigation.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that the lights are on the tree for the Celebrate the Season Event and Christmas music will begin playing downtown after Thanksgiving.

Police Department – Chief Smith thanked the Chamber for all of their work on the “No Shave November” fund raiser.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Vicary wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Announcements – The Committee of the Whole meeting for November has been cancelled.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
December 4, 2018
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Vicary opened the Public Hearing on the 2018 Tax Levy for Oak Creek Estates, Unit Four Special Service Area at 7:02 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present. There were no public comments. Mayor Vicary closed the Public Hearing and the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Mayor Vicary called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:05 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang were present.

Mayor Vicary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speakers: Niamh Welp, Principal for the Northwest Center for Autism and Theresa Smith, Vice President for Camelot Education. Principal Welp announced that Camelot will be having an open house from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 12, 2018, with the ribbon cutting ceremony at 4:00 p.m. that day as well. She also expressed that Genoa has been very receptive to them and expressed her gratitude to the Police Department for their assistance with the State mandated Intruder Drill. She stated that the Fire Department included Camelot in Fire Prevention Month back in October, which was very educational and fun for the students. Ms. Welp stated that the school has been equipped with more sensory devices and adaptations for the students. Theresa Smith provided some background information regarding Camelot. She stated that they exist all over the country and serve children with special needs as well as students that have not been successful in a traditional public school system. They provide detailed programming, which includes special sensory rooms, basic grooming courses and life skills, such as making beds and washing clothes. Ms. Smith stated that Camelot has been providing these services in DeKalb County for almost 30 years and is looking forward to celebrating their accomplishments at the ribbon cutting in their new school. Council asked a few questions and Principal Welp responded that they currently have 90 students with a capacity of 100 and there is currently a wait list for the elementary classes. They also have approximately 100 staff members. Also, any student that completes all of the required classes receive a diploma from the school district that they live in, as opposed to one from Camelot.

Guest Speaker: Tim Hughes, DeKalb County Representative provided Council with updates regarding solar gardens and wind turbines. He stated that the solar gardens Ordinance was passed in April of 2018. He indicated that there are approximately 55 proposed solar gardens in DeKalb County and of those, approximately 7 to 10 will be located in District 2. Mr. Hughes stated that it has not been determined yet as to who will be allowed to develop the solar gardens and who will not; he believes it will be some type of lottery. Mr. Hughes then stated that the wind turbines were just passed last month. He indicated that Planning and Zoning did a great job of putting provisions in the Ordinance to help protect the residents. Mr. Hughes also stated that some concerns people have is with the windfall associated with the turbines. He indicated that the windfall is greater at the beginning, but decreases each year. Council thanked Representative Hughes for his time and efforts.

Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve the minutes of the Special City Council meeting of November 14, 2018, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of November 20, 2018, seconded by Alderman Lang. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve payment of the accounts payables for the 2nd half of November 2018, in the amount of \$235,314.38, seconded by Alderman Lang. Alderman Stevenson asked if line item #61 to Zukowski, Rogers and Flood for the October 2018 Riverbend litigation legal fees would be the last payment. Consultant Ganek responded that the payment is a transfer; meaning the Developer is required to put money in an escrow account to pay those fees. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Cravatta voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE ABATING THE TAX HERETOFORE LEVIED FOR THE YEAR 2018 TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON BONDS:

- Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve an Ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2018 to pay the principal and interest on \$1,250,000 general obligation bonds, Series 2005, of the City of Genoa, Illinois, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.
- Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve an Ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2018 to pay the principal of and interest on \$550,000 general obligation bonds, Series 2010 of the City of Genoa, Illinois, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER ORDINANCES LEVYING SPECIAL SERVICE AREA PROPERTY TAXES FOR RIVERBEND, DERBY ESTATES AND OAK CREEK ESTATES, UNIT 4:

- Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve an Ordinance levying special service area property taxes for the special services to be provided in Riverbend special service area in the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of May, 2018 and ending on the 30th day of April, 2019, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Alderman Lang asked for clarification of what special services are provided. Consultant Ganek responded that it was originally maintenance of the Park areas. Riverbend and Oak Creek Estates subdivisions are not in the Genoa Park District area; they are in the Kingston Park District area. Kingston does not service the parks in those 2 subdivisions, so we have an agreement that 76% of the special services goes to the Genoa Park District and the remaining 24% goes to Public Works for maintaining the Parks and open spaces in those areas. Alderman Brust asked if the Park District provides us with a list of services they have provided. Director Gentile responded yes, periodically. Alderman Brust requested to see an updated list. Alderman Lang stated that she would like to see a fountain in Derby Estates. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.
- Motion made by Alderman Stevenson to approve an Ordinance levying special service area property taxes for the special services provided in Derby Estates special service area in the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of May, 2018 and ending on the 30th day of April, 2019, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Winter

questioned why there was a detailed notice in the paper for Oak Creek and not the other subdivisions. (Oak Creek is actually the next item on the agenda) Consultant Ganek responded that we were required to publish it, since the tax increase request was over the cost of living amount. He stated that the reason the percentage is higher, is due to the subdivision being sparsely developed. It used to have 3 homes, now it has 8. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll and Di Guido voted yes. Motion carried.

- Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve an Ordinance levying special service area property taxes for the special services to be provided in Genoa Oak Creek Estates Unit 4 special service area in the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of May, 2018 and ending on the 30th day of April, 2019, seconded by Alderman Cravatta. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Cravatta, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR ALL CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE CITY OF GENOA: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve an Ordinance levying taxes for all corporate purposes for the City of Genoa, DeKalb County, Illinois, for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of May, 2018 and ending on the 30th day of April, 2019, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Cravatta, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

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Administrative Report – City Consultant, Bill Ganek reported that at least 3 foundations are being removed or filled into the holes in the Riverbend subdivision. He indicated that when homes are being built that do not have basements, concrete can be buried. A licensed engineer will be involved to insure that everything is structurally sound. Mr. Ganek also reported that the Genoa Police Union notified us that after the first of the year, they would like to discuss their Collective Bargaining Agreement that expires in 2019.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that Public Works has been working on alleys. He hopes to purchase equipment next year to assist with that. Alderman Wesner asked if since there is already an existing sidewalk on the North side of the street in the Dollar Store area, if a crosswalk could be put in from that sidewalk to the Dollar Store and also reduce the speed in that area due to cars flying through there coming into town. Director Gentile responded that IDOT typically doesn't like uncontrolled crosswalks, but Public Works is still looking into options. Alderman Lang asked Director Gentile to provide a summary of the Public Works fleet. He responded that we have 4 big trucks, 2 one ton dump trucks and 4 to 5 pick-up trucks, in addition to 2 bobcats; staff consists of 6 full time employees and 4 or 5 part time and seasonal employees. He indicated that 12 hours is the maximum amount of time staff is allowed to plow. They have snow routes that they follow; they go through the first time pushing the snow to enable cars to get through and then go back and clean everything up.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that “No Shave November” is over and the Police Department raised over \$8,000. He also stated that Celebrate the Season is Friday, December 7th and they are preparing for that. Alderman Lang raised a concern regarding the traffic at Route 72 and Madison Street. She indicated that since it is difficult to turn left, a lot of students are turning right, making a U-turn in the Sycamore Welding parking lot and then heading toward the high school. She believes when snow and icy conditions exist, it will be a hazard. After some discussion, it was agreed that some type of resolution needs to occur and the topic will be discussed at the weekly staff meeting.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Vicary reported that there is unfinished business that needs to be discussed regarding the memo in the packet at the previous Council meeting pertaining to the car dealership. He proposed inviting Mr. Harris to meet with a few of the Aldermen to discuss his plans and where he is at with his current projects. Then have those Aldermen report back to the remainder of the Council, to decide what next steps should be taken. Consensus amongst Council was to move forward with Mayor Vicary's proposal.

Announcements – Alderman Winter announced that the Artisan Market that Open Door Coffee sponsored at Lloyd Landscaping went very well. She indicated that they averaged about 100 people per hour.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Wesner, seconded by Alderman Stevenson. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

CITY OF GENOA
City Hall
City Council Meeting
December 18, 2018
7:00 P.M.

Pro-Tem Mayor James Stevenson called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:02 p.m. Roll call was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust and Lang were present. Alderman Cravatta was absent.

Pro-Tem Mayor Stevenson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest Speaker: Vaughn Kuerschner of Waste Management spoke about unprecedented changes in recycling over the last year, due to the effects that plastic is having on our environment, especially in our oceans. He stated that all haulers and municipalities will be affected, as it is a national and global issue. The National Waste and Recycling Association (NWRA), Solid Waste Association North America (SWANA) and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) are joining forces to provide municipalities with guidelines regarding recycling. He stated that China, the world's largest importer of recycled material, has implemented stricter guidelines as it pertains to waste contamination. It used to be 10% to 15% and is now 0.5%. This does not seem attainable as the national average for waste contamination is 25%. Mr. Kuerschner indicated that due to containers being shipped and sent back due to contamination, shortage of truck drivers and processing being slowed down due to workers having to sort through the materials, costs have significantly increased. Two years ago, it cost \$20 to process a ton of materials, where now it costs approximately \$70. Mr. Kuerschner stated that he has been working with City Staff as to how to educate the residents regarding proper recycling and proposed doing possible "cart hangers", which would mean hanging a tag on a recycling bin that has contaminated or non-recyclable items in them, to alert and educate the resident. Mr. Kuerschner proposed an increase of \$1.08 per home, per month to help cover the increased costs of recycling. Council asked if there would be an incentive to encourage residents to recycle correctly and if Genoa decreased contamination rates to the acceptable range, would the \$1.08 be removed? Mr. Kuerschner responded, not at this time, but an incentive might be a great thing to consider. He was also asked if since it is cheaper to just throw the items in the landfill, why bother to recycle? Mr. Kuerschner responded that there are many readily recyclable items, so by recycling them, we are saving resources, landfill space, energy and it's the right thing to do. Since the City is under current contract with Waste Management, we are under no obligation to adhere to the increase of \$1.08; Waste Management is requesting it due to the unusual changes in the market. Alderman Brust asked if the City has any other options for recycling services. Consultant Bill Ganek stated that when the contract is up with Waste Management, the City has the option to go out to bid. Resident, Gordon Jones asked on the advocate side, what is being done to push the responsibility up instead of putting all of the blame on the residents? Mr. Kuerschner responded that there has been a lot of discussion regarding what can be done. Waste Management is currently looking into several programs to assist with other types of recycling, such as electronics and plastic bags. Alderman Di Guido suggested reaching out to other municipalities to get their feedback regarding this situation and suggested maybe doing incremental increases as opposed to all at once.

Motion made by Alderman Brust to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of December 4, 2018, seconded by Alderman Winter. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Carroll to approve payment of the accounts payables for the 1st half of December 2018, in the amount of \$103,903.11, seconded by Alderman Winter. Alderman Stevenson

questioned line item #14 to Door Master Garage. Public Works Director, Rich Gentile responded that an employee was doing some street sweeping and dumping and forgot to put the bed of the truck down when pulling into the storage building and hit the top of the doorframe, so the payment was for repairs. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER A PROPOSAL FROM SIKICH, LLP FOR THE 2019 ANNUAL AUDIT: Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve a proposal from Sikich, LLP for the 2019 annual audit not to exceed \$21,700, seconded by Alderman Brust. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER A POLICE PENSION ACTUARIAL ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH LAUTERBACH AND AMEN, LLP: Motion made by Alderman Winter to approve the Police Pension Actuarial Engagement Letter with Lauterbach and Amen, LLP for a 3 year term ending 2021, seconded by Alderman Brust. Alderman Brust asked if everything has been good with them over the last 3 years. Treasurer, Janis Tures responded yes and we are required to have an Actuarial as it is mandated by the State of Illinois. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Winter, Brust, Lang, Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido and Stevenson voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE REDUCING PERMIT FEES FOR NEW HOME CONSTRUCTION: Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to approve an Ordinance providing a one year extension of the limited temporary reduction in certain fees as an incentive for new home construction in 2019, seconded by Alderman Lang. Rick Hoffman, Developer for Derby Estates and Oak Creek Subdivisions provided some background information for the Council. He stated that Park and School impact fees are approximately \$8,000 for Derby Estates & about \$5,000 for Oak Creek Estates. He indicated that Oak Creek Estates does not have Park impact fees due to enough land being donated to the Park District and City in the beginning to exceed the impact fees. He indicated that since construction costs are increasing, waiving the impact fees would provide incentive and a substantial savings for potential home buyers. There was some discussion amongst Council and with Rick Hoffman regarding how many people have actually taken advantage of this incentive over the past several years. The highest number to date has been 6 per year. Alderman Di Guido suggested reducing the number of houses to create a “sense of urgency” and revitalize the program, to get people to utilize this incentive and choose Genoa. Alderman Lang expressed that since waiving these fees really affects the Park District & Schools, but not really the City, it would seem reasonable to waive the fees. The City would actually gain from this down the road because we would receive property taxes from the homes. General consensus amongst Council was to waive the impact fees for the first 15 homes instead of 20. Motion made by Alderman Di Guido to amend the current Ordinance as read to replace the 20 properly completed applications to 15, seconded by Alderman Lang. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust, Lang and Wesner voted yes. Alderman Carroll voted no. Motion carried. Motion made by Alderman Lang to approve an amended Ordinance providing a 1 year extension of the limited temporary reduction in certain fees as an incentive for new home construction in 2019, seconded by Alderman Winter. Aldermen Lang, Wesner, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter and Brust voted yes. Alderman Carroll voted no. Motion carried.

CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SOLICITOR’S LICENSE REGULATIONS: Motion made by Alderman Wesner to approve an Ordinance amending Title 3, Business and License

Regulations, Chapter 6 of the City Code of the City of Genoa, seconded by Alderman Carroll. Chief Smith indicated that the biggest change was adjusting the renewal fee from \$10 to \$25 and if they have a solicitor's license in another City, we are requiring 2 municipalities that they have conducted business in, so we can conduct a background check that way. He stated that there are normally 10 to 15 permits applied for and are mostly from energy companies. Roll call vote was taken. Aldermen Wesner, Carroll, Di Guido, Stevenson, Winter, Brust and Lang voted yes. Motion carried.

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Administrative Report – City Consultant, Bill Ganek provided a brief overview of where the City stands half way through this fiscal year's budget. He stated that staff is doing a great job of staying within budget guidelines and are monitoring revenue and expenditure reports more than once a month. He indicated that there are 17 funds that make up the 7 million dollars of expenditures throughout the year. He went on with more in depth information regarding our General Fund and Water Sewer Operations Fund. Alderman Brust suggested coming up with a marketing campaign or incentives for commercial/industrial businesses to come to Genoa. Alderman Brust also expressed the importance of upgrading our streets and facades downtown to encourage businesses to want to come here. Mr. Ganek then commended Management Assistant, Alyssa Seguss for reaching out to DeKalb Elder Care to help provide services to our Senior Citizens as it pertains to winterizing and maintaining their homes. Mr. Ganek then reported that there was not a Plan Commission meeting in December, but there will be one in January. It will be for the IBEW electrical training facility. They were approved previously for a preliminary PUD and will be back to provide more details and site plans to the Plan Commission in hopes of receiving a positive recommendation to City Council at the next regular City Council meeting to approve a Final PUD and move forward with their project in the Spring. Lastly, the Community Calendars are currently at the printer and hopefully will be mailed before Christmas.

Public Works – Director Gentile reported that the Christmas tree lights lit up the 1st time without a hitch. Alderman Wesner expressed concern with resident's that are not shoveling their sidewalks. She indicated that kids are either climbing over snow banks or walking in the street because the walks aren't shoveled and asked if there was something the City can do about that. Director Gentile responded that his concern is, if the City starts shoveling, we will start getting complaints when it's not done. He proposed that an Alderman from each Ward find out where the problem spots are in their area and let him know and he will contact the schools to come up with a solution. Alderman Di Guido suggested possibly putting the residents that need help winterizing and maintaining their homes on a list to educate and possibly assist them with shoveling as well.

Police Department – Chief Smith reported that although there currently isn't any snow, the winter parking restrictions are in effect as of December 1st. The Police Department will begin issuing warnings and then move to ticketing. If there isn't any snow, a \$20 ticket will be issued. If there is snow, the ticket will be \$50. Chief Smith also stated that the Camelot open house was nice and had a great turnout. He then reported that an Officer will be monitoring the traffic at Madison Street and Route 72 and provide feedback to him. He will then contact IDOT for recommendations on how to reduce the congestion in that area. Lastly, Chief Smith thanked the City for the Christmas party.

Mayor's Report – None

Announcements – The next City Council meeting will not be on Tuesday, January 1st, it will be on Wednesday, January 2nd.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council was made by Alderman Brust, seconded by Alderman Di Guido. Voice vote was taken. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.