

**CITY OF LAKE GENEVA PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2025 - 4:00 PM  
LAKE GENEVA CITY HALL; COUNCIL CHAMBERS (MAIN LEVEL)**

**Members:** Chairperson - Cathy Stoodley; Members - JaNelle Powers, Mary Jo Fesenmaier, Linda Frame, and Joel Hoiland.

**Call to Order**

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Stoodley at 4:00pm.

**Roll Call**

Present: Stoodley, Powers, Fesenmaier, Frame and Hoiland.

Absent: None

**Comments from the public limited to 5 minutes, limited to items on this agenda**

Dennis Loescher, 336 Laurie Street, expressed his concerns against item 12.

Cindy Yager 1284 Edgewood Drive, spoke in favor of item 12 and expressed concerns regarding items 10 and 9.

Sherri Ames, 603 Center Street, spoke in favor of item 2 and spoke against Item # 13.

**Approval of the minutes from September 22, 2025**

Motion to approve by Hoiland, Second by Frame.

Fesenmaier requested comments from the public to be more specific.

Voice vote, motion carried.

**Written Staff Reports**

**Director of Public Works Report**

Public Works Director's report was included in the packet.

Mayor Todd Kause and Hoiland discussed the Beautification Committee.

Discussion ensued regarding multiple items that were included in the report.

**Street Superintendent Report**

Public Works Superintendent's Report was included in the report.

Superintendent Neil Waswo gave an update on the 2025 Street Program.

**Parking Manager Report**

The Parking Manager's report was included in the packet.

Fesenmaier requested the parking placard impact section in the report to indicate City employees and guests.

Gehris-Padro and Hoiland discussed multiple topics that were included in the report.

Earle explained vehicle size regulations regarding parking stalls.

Discussion ensued regarding parking revenue impact on Center Street near Donain Park.

Gehris-Padro further explained parking zones on Broad Street in front of the Geneva Theater.

**Engineer Report**

Engineer report is included in the packet.

Rauch and Stoodley discussed Highway 50 potential speed change.

**Update on Highway 50 Project**

Hwy 50 update was included in the packet.

Earle explained milestone dates referring to the Hwy 50 update report.

Motion by Fesenmaier to move item 12 to number 7, second by Powers.

Fesenmaier explained Dodge and Broad Street had been ongoing for months.

Hoiland further explained the importance of a policy to be created first.

Voice vote: 3 approved, 1 opposed. Motion carried.

**Update regarding speed bumps**

Fesenmaier explained speed bumps would help control speeding occurring on collector roads in neighborhoods. Earle and committee members discussed speed bumps that were placed by the township on Center Street. Committee members outlined the process for developing a speed bump policy. Earle explained the speed bump fee. Discussion ensued regarding a policy and an ordinance.

**Update regarding curb ramping**

Fesenmaier explained curb ramps on sidewalks to ensure accessibility. Rauch further discussed curb ramp designs and curb ramp requirements, referring to the statue in the packet.

**Update regarding crosswalks**

Fesenmaier discussed standards of sidewalk design with the City to ensure efficient pedestrian movement.

**Update on Draft Traffic Control Device Policy (Hoiland)**

Hoiland gave an overview of the traffic control device draft policy that was included in the packet. Discussion ensued regarding involvement of the city administrator.

**Discussion/Recommendation regarding Task Order 48 2026 Streets Program (Kapur)**

Rauch explained Task Order 43 that was included in the packet. Discussion ensued about expanding the walkway to Veterans Parkway. Motion to approve task 48 with the addition of adding a south sidewalk that will extend to Vets Park, second by Frame. Fesenmaier clarified that the extension is on the North Side of Veterans Park. Voice vote, motion carried.

**Discussion/Recommendation regarding Dodge and Broad Intersection**

Motion by Stoodley to approve a 4-way stop at the intersection of Broad and Dodge streets predicted on any and all redesign of parking spaces, including parking manager's input. Loss of automobile parking spaces, revenue impact, timeline implementation and cost to the city must be disclosed prior to any work beginning. Second by Frame. Discussion ensued regarding traffic studies and traffic control devices. Frame and Neil further discussed prices of stop signs. Rauch indicated traffic studies determine how other intersections will be affected. Voice vote: 3 approve, 1 opposed. Motion carried.  
*This item will return to PWC with a design.*

**Discussion/Recommendation regarding possible change to bulk trash pickup to an on-call basis, Johns Disposal**

Nate Austin, municipal manager at Johns Disposal, spoke regarding the Bulk Trash Pick-up change that was included in the packet. Committee members and Austin discussed bulk item collection process. Motion to continue until next month by Stoodley, Second by Fesenmaier. Motion carried.  
*This item will return to PWC next month*

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Hoiland, second by Powers. Voice vote, motion carried.