

CITY OF LAKE GENEVA FINANCE, LICENSING, AND REGULATION
COMMITTEE MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2022 - 4:30 PM
LAKE GENEVA CITY HALL; COUNCIL CHAMBERS (MAIN LEVEL)

Members: Committee Members: Chairperson Ken Howell, Alderpersons: Joan Yunker, Mary Jo Fesenmaier, John Halverson, and Rich Hedlund

Call to Order by Chairperson Howell

Chairperson Howell called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Howell, Halverson, Hedlund, Fesenmaier, and Yunker

Absent: None

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

Amy Symkowski; 1034 George St; Spoke in regards to the Short Term Rental Program and the enforcement.

Karen Klip; 824 Williams St; Spoke in favor of the alcohol license being granted to the LG Axe Throwing House.

Collette Buckels; Genoa City; Spoke in favor of the alcohol license being granted to the LG Axe Throwing House.
Rhonda Knot; 200 Manning Way; Spoke in favor of the alcohol license being granted to the LG Axe Throwing House.

Linda Greaser; 129 S Curtis St' Spoke in favor of the alcohol license being granted to the LG Axe Throwing House.

Approval of the minutes of the August 16, 2022 Finance, Licensing, and Regulation Committee meeting as prepared and distributed

Motion by Halverson to approve, second by Hedlund. No discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

Licenses & Permits

Discussion/Recommendation regarding Request of Waiver for Parking Fees for Firebelles Fundraiser to be held September 18, 2022

Hedlund commented that the request is for more stalls than they actually use for the event. He wondered if they needed all those stalls or if some could be eliminated.

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Fesenmaier. Fesenmaier stated that the motion could be amended at Council, if needed.

Motion to amend by Fesenmaier to approve the same number of stalls parking waiver as last year, second by Hedlund. Motion to amend carried 5-0.

Original motion as amended carried 5-0.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding an Original Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage License and Class "C" Wine License Application filed by LG Axe Throwing LLC d/b/a LG Axe Throwing, located at 253 Center St #900, Madelyna Kelly, Agent

Motion by Hedlund to approve, second by Fesenmaier. Fesenmaier inquired about where the alcohol would be stored and consumed.

Motion by Halverson to allow the applicant to speak, second by Hedlund. Motion carried 5-0.

Madelyna Kelly addressed the committee regarding the layout of the building and noted where alcohol will be stored and consumed, including where the invoices are stored.

Motion to amend by Fesenmaier that an updated map be included for the Council meeting, second by Howell.

Motion to amend carried 5-0.

Original motion as amended carried 4-1, with Halverson voting no.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding a Tier II Event Permit application filed by the Downtown Business Improvement District for the event of Honky Tonk Fest and Craft Beer Fest Tasting to take place on September 16, September 17, and September 18, 2022 (11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. each day), located in Seminary Park (*Applicant is requesting waiver of parking fees*)

Motion by Halverson to approve, second by Fesenmaier. Hedlund questioned where the stalls were and why they needed them. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

Discussion/ Recommendation regarding a Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Retailer's License application filed by the Lakeland Animal Shelter for the event of Honky Tonk Fest to be used September 17, 2022 and September 18, 2022, located in Seminary Park

Motion by Yunker to approve, second by Fesenmaier. No discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding an addendum to the Tier 1 Event Permit application filed by the Alzheimer's Association for the event of Walk to End Alzheimer's-Walworth County to take place on September 17, 2022(6:30 am-2:00 pm) at Library Park (*Applicant is requesting waiver of fees for an additional 2 parking spaces in order to accommodate dumpster*)

Motion by Yunker to approve, second by Halverson. Hedlund stated that the parking stalls will be taken for a dumpster. The dumpster will need to be delivered the night before the event and will stay through the weekend. Motion by Yunker to amend to not allow a dumpster, no second was offered. Motion failed for a lack of second. Original motion carried 5-0.

Discussion regarding the City of Lake Geneva Short Term Rental Program

Howell stated that there have been questions about the short term rental program and asked that Code Enforcer Flower address the program. Flower stated that the State allowed houses to be used as short-term rentals so they City must allow it, but that the City could impose some restrictions through an ordinance. Flower stated that the ordinance should be revisited based on how the program is going. He stated that other communities allow for year-round rentals where the City only allows 180 consecutive days to operate. The only form of reporting that the City receives right now is from room tax reporting. Flower asked that the ordinance be changed to require short-term rental owners to report the rentals to be submitted with the monthly room tax.

Flower added that it is hard to enforce if people are renting and for how long; if they are renting outside of the parameters of the program they more than likely would not disclose that information. Hedlund stated that the City couldn't require the names and addresses of who is renting the property.

Fesenmaier stated that she would like money placed in the budget to hire a company to monitor the houses in the program and/or hire additional personnel to enforce. Howell suggested that Flower discuss with the City Attorney and look at amending the ordinance. No action taken.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding **Resolution 22-R38** a resolution authorizing a 2022 Budget Amendment for the use of Contingency funds for flashing stop signs for Geneva Street, in an amount not to exceed \$9,440

Motion by Yunker to approve, second by Halverson. No discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding **Resolution 22-R39** a resolution authorizing a 2022 Budget Amendment for the use of Contingency funds additional funds for City Fuel and Oil Budget, in the amount not to exceed \$40,000

Motion by Hedlund to approve, second by Yunker. No discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding **Resolution 22-R40** a resolution authorizing the implementation of the City of Lake Geneva Wage and Compensation Study for 2022, effective October 10, 2022, and the 2023 Wage Schedule increase of 2.75% and an employee Wage Schedule step increase

Motion by Hedlund to approve, second by Yunker. Hedlund stated that there are things in the plan that need to be addressed at the Personnel Committee.

Fesenmaier would like to see this referred to the Council without recommendation.

Motion by Fesenmaier to refer to the Council without recommendation, second by Halverson. Motion failed 2-3 with Howell, Hedlund, and Yunker voting no.

Original motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding **Resolution 22-R41** a resolution authorizing the use of a three-year rolling average of August Consumer Price Index numbers reported by the Wisconsin Employment Relations Commission (WERC), to increase the wage schedule for the years 2024 and 2025

Motion by Hedlund to approve, second by Yunker. No discussion. Motion carried 4-1, with Fesenmaier voting no.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding Library Sidewalk Repairs and to identify a funding source

Motion by Howell to refer back to the Public Works Committee, second by Halverson. City Administrator Nord stated that this had been discussed in the past. They were asked to provide the cost and locations. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion/ Recommendation regarding setting a date and time for 2022 Trick or Treating

Motion by Hedlund to set Trick or Treating for Sunday, October 30, 2022 from Noon to 5:00 p.m., second by Yunker. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion regarding July 2022 Treasurer's Report and Budget versus Actual Report

Finance Director Pisarcik reviewed her Budget versus Actual report along with the July 2022 Treasurer's Report. No action taken.

Presentation of Accounts

Prepaid Bills in the amount of \$33,150.61

Motion by Yunker to approve, second by Fesenmaier. No discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

Regular Bills in the amount of \$504,100.59

Motion by Yunker to approve, second by Heldund. No discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment

Motion by Yunker to adjourn, second by Halverson. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.