

CITY OF LAKE GENEVA REGULAR COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2022- 6:00 P.M.
LAKE GENEVA CITY HALL: COUNCIL CHAMBERS (MAIN LEVEL)

Members: Mayor Charlene Klein, Council President, Rich Hedlund, Council Vice President, John Halverson, Alderpersons: Tim Dunn, Mary Jo Fesenmaier, Cindy Flower, Ken Howell, Shari Straube, and Joan Yunker

Mayor Klein called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Aldersperson Dunn led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

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

Absent: Straube

Awards, Presentations, Proclamations, and Announcements

Clerk Kropf announced that there will be a Spring Primary to be held on February 15, 2022. In-person absentee voting will be taking places on February 1, 2022 through February 11, 2022, excluding weekends, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This will be available at the front counter of City Hall.

Re-consider business from previous meeting

None

Comments from the public as allowed by Wis. Stats. §19.84(2), limited to items on this agenda, except for public hearing items. Comments will be limited to 5 minutes

Spyro Condos; 1760 Hillcrest Drive; Spoke in favor of the BID Forensic Audit being completed and that the City should be responsible for conducting the audit.

Acknowledgement of Correspondence

None

Approve the Regular Council Minutes of December 28, 2021 as prepared and distributed

Motion by Yunker to approve, second by Dunn. No discussion. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSENT AGENDA– Recommended by Finance, Licensing and Regulation on January 4, 2022. Any item listed on the consent agenda may be removed at the request of any member of the Council. The request requires no second, is not discussed, and is not voted upon.

-Tier I Event Permit Application filed by Semper Running Half Marathon to take place on July 9, 2022 located on S Lake Shore Drive and South Street

-Temporary Class “B”/ “Class B” Retailer’s License filed by the Semper Running Foundation for the event of Semper Running Half Marathon to take place on July 9, 2022 located at 700 N Bloomfield Rd

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Halverson. No discussion. Motion carried 7-0.

Items removed from the Consent Agenda

Discussion/Action regarding Downtown Business Improvement District Forensic Audit Proposals (Agenda Item request by Aldersperson Dunn and Aldersperson Fesenmaier; Finance, Licensing, and Regulation Committee referred this item to the Downtown Business Improvement District Board for selection and to identify a funding source, on November 16, 2021; Common Council continued on December 28, 2021)

Motion by Fesenmaier to approve the contract for the BergenKDV Company, second by Dunn. Fesenmaier noted that the proposal amount was \$22,500.00. City Attorney Draper noted that the BID is a special board that is appointed by the Council and is funded by levied money from the members of the downtown business improvement

district. Howell stated that it needs to be determined if the City will be responsible for paying for this or if the BID would be responsible. Attorney Draper stated that if an invoice is submitted by the BID that falls within the business plan for that year, then the City would pay it without question. Fesenmaier stated that the City paid bills and shouldn't have since the BID did not have any money. Finance Director Hall explained that she does not believe that there have been any nefarious acts committed by City Staff to warrant this audit. She added that it is a case of overspending and spending previous year's money, which is called kiting.

Motion to amend by Hedlund to approve the contract and that it be financed by the Downtown Business Improvement District, second by Howell. Motion to amend carried on a roll call vote 5-2, with Fesenmaier and Yunker voting no.

Original motion as amended was re-read. The motion carried on a roll call vote 6-1 with Fesenmaier voting no.

Motion by Fesenmaier to refer the issue and compliant to the Police Department for investigation, second by Flower. Halverson stated that the Police Department couldn't conduct an investigation without the audit, but that they can be given the materials for review. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.

Discussion/Action regarding **Resolution 22-R01** a resolution amending the City of Lake Geneva Fee Schedule as it relates to the fee for Short-Term Rental

Attorney Draper noted that the City had been involved with litigation with the short term rental fees. After discussions it was determined that the fees would need to be lowered and this resolution would do this.

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Hedlund. Flower and Fesenmaier stated that the overhead costs have not been factored in and this shouldn't be lowered at this time. Draper added that the fee could become lower as more properties are registered as short term rentals. Motion carried on a roll call vote 4-3, with Dunn, Fesenmaier, and Flower voting no.

Discussion/Action regarding **Resolution 22-R02** a resolution combining election wards into one reporting unit for the February 15, 2022 Spring Primary

Clerk Kropf explained that this would combine the City's ten wards into one reporting unit, which will save the City money on ballots and ballot coding. She added that the only contest on the ballot is for Mayor, which is a City wide race, and would not require an aldermanic breakdown.

Motion by Flower to approve, second by Halverson. Motion carried 7-0.

Recommendation of the Finance, Licensing, and Regulation Committee of January 4, 2022- Ald. Howell

Discussion/Action regarding an Original Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage license and "Class C" Wine license application filed by Guac Star LLC d/b/a Guac Star, 120/122 Broad St, Donna Schroff, Agent

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Yunker. No discussion. Motion carried 7-0.

Discussion/Action regarding Change Order #4 filed by Selzer-Ornst Construction Co for the Library Renovation project in an amount not to exceed \$3,160.00

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Halverson. No discussion. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.

Discussion/Acceptance of January 4, 2022 Finance, Licensing, and Regulation Committee Payment Approval Reports

Motion by Howell to accept, second by Hedlund. No discussion. Motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment

Motion by Hedlund to adjourn, second by Howell. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.