

CITY OF LAKE GENEVA REGULAR COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 10, 2023 - 6:00 PM
LAKE GENEVA CITY HALL; COUNCIL CHAMBERS (MAIN LEVEL)

Members: Mayor Charlene Klein, Council President, Mary Jo Fesenmaier, Council Vice President, Cindy Yager, Alderpersons: Tim Dunn, Peg Esposito, Linda Frame, Ken Howell, Shari Straube, and Joan Yunker

Mayor Klein call the meeting to order
Mayor Klein called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance – Alderperson Fesenmaier
Alderperson Fesenmaier led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call
Present: Esposito, Fesenmaier, Frame, Howell, Yager, and Yunker
Absent: Dunn (excused) & Straube

Awards, Presentations, Proclamations, and Announcements

Announcement of 2023 Lake Geneva Day- Thursday, July 13, 2023
Mayor Klein announced that Thursday, July 13, 2023 is Lake Geneva Day. On this day several local places will be open for public visitors from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and resident parking pass holders will have free parking for the entire day.

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
Tom Gardner, 500 Commercial Court; Representation of Nick Cimino; Spoke in favor of Mama Cimino's having their alcohol license renewed for the current year.
Monica Pfeifer; 321 S Wells St; Spoke in regards to the timing of the sidewalk special assessment work to be done in front of Maxwell Mansion. She asked that the date be either delayed or moved to next year; she further asked that a consideration be made to possibly reduce the cost.

Acknowledgement of Correspondence
None

Approve the Regular Council Minutes of June 26, 2023 as prepared and distributed
Motion by Yunker to approve, second by Yager. No discussion. Motion carried 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA– 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.

Temporary Operator Licenses for the event of Venetian Fest, for the term of August 15, 2023 through August 20, 2023, filed by: Tyler August, Brian Holt, Bryan Iwicki, Fraklyn Lasch, Ryan Lasch, Nathan Love, Kyle Peters, Travis Ross, and Michael Springer JR

Sidewalk Cafe renewal application for the term of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 filed by: Zaab Corner Bistro

Massage Establishment renewal application for the term of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 filed by: Elevate Wellness Center
Motion by Esposito to approve the consent agenda, second by Frame. No discussion. Motion carried 6-0.

Items removed from the Consent Agenda

None

Presentation/Possible Referral regarding the possible relocation of the Wisconsin Power and Light Company (Alliant Energy) Downtown Electrical Distribution Substation

Jessica Bahr from Alliant Energy addressed the Council regarding their proposal to possibly relocate their downtown electrical substation. She noted that the current station is aging beyond its life cycle and would need to be relocated for updating. This new substation will be more modernized for future expansion and will have increased reliability. Bahr explained that the age of the current substation could increase the number of failures and has caused more stress on the equipment.

Esposito questioned if any other locations were considered. Bahr explained that the site was chosen based on its location in the downtown and the existing transmission lines. Yunker suggested that maybe a section of land on Center Street near the Stoneridge Development be explored.

Motion by Howell to refer to the Plan Commission, second by Frame. Fesenmaier disagreed with the proposed location as presented and did not agree with sending it to the Plan Commission for further discussion.

Frame retracted her second of the motion to refer.

Howell stated that he would like to see Alliant come back to the Council regarding other possible sites and the pros/cons of each. Alliant asked if the Council had any sites in particular that would be favorable. No action taken.

First Reading of Ordinance 23-05 an ordinance amending subsection c of Section 82-61, City Forester, and subsections 7 and 13 of Section 82-63, Trees in lawn parks and public right-of-way, Article III, Forestry, Chapter 83, Vegetation, of the City of Lake Geneva Municipal Code; as it relates to the update of responsibilities of the City Forester (Board of Park Commissioners recommended approval on June 20, 2023)

Mayor Klein offered Ordinance 23-05 as a first reading.

Motion by Yager to move Ordinance 23-05 to second reading, second by Esposito. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Klein offered Ordinance 23-5 as a second reading.

Motion by Howell to approve Ordinance 23-05, second by Yunker. No discussion. Motion carried 6-0.

First Reading of Ordinance 23-06 an ordinance creating subsections (a), (b), and (c), Section 174, Transportation/removal of Aquatic Invasive Species, Article II, Lakes and Beaches, Chapter 90, Waterways, of the City of Lake Geneva Municipal Code

Mayor Klein offered Ordinance 23-06 as a first reading.

No action taken.

First Reading of Ordinance 23-07 an ordinance amending subsection (a)(1), No parking, standing or stopping zones, of Section 210, Parking Regulations, of Article VI, Traffic Code, of Chapter 74, Traffic and Vehicles of the City of Lake Geneva Municipal Code; relating to parking regulations on Sonata Way

Mayor Klein offered Ordinance 23-07 as a first reading.

Motion by Howell to move the ordinance to second reading, second by Yager. No discussion. Motion carried 6-0.

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Motion by Howell to approve Ordinance 23-07, second by Yunker. Mayor Klein clarified that this would effect the parking on Sontata near Townline Rd. Motion carried 6-0.

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

Discussion/Action regarding the renewal application for a Combination "Class A" Liquor and Class "A" Fermented Malt license filed by SSS Wisconsin BRW LLC LLC d/b/a SQRL Service Station #722, 1231 Grant St, Angela Nitschke, Agent, for the term of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, contingent upon payment of all outstanding liabilities and delinquencies with the City of Lake Geneva and wholesaler invoices, and clearance of any Department of Revenue holds

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Yunker. No discussion. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion/Action regarding proposed 2023 Budget Amendments for the Downtown Business Improvement District

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Yager. No discussion. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion/Action regarding the 2024 Budget Timeline

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Yunker. No discussion. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion/Action regarding Pay Request #1 and Change Orders #1 & #2 for the Additional Alley Concrete Work and Additional Curb & Gutter Work for the Cook & Wrigley Improvements Project

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Yunker. No discussion. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion/Action regarding proposed change to "Exhibit A" Private Roads Map, as it relates to Section 62-3, Dedication of Private Streets, showing Maytag Dr as a public road

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Yager. No discussion. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion/Action regarding the Baker Street Sidewalk Assessment

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Yager. City Engineer Naomi Raush addressed the Council regarding this request. The City would be following what was done for the other properties affected by the sidewalk assessment program. Raush stated that it would not start until after Labor Day, but that definite dates could not be determined. Raush agreed that she would work closely with the contractors and the owners to get the work completed with as little interruption as possible. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion/Action regarding the purchase of two Kubota RTV's from Capital Improvement fund

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Yunker. No discussion. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion/Action regarding vacation of approximately 612 linear feet of unimproved Logan Street right-of-way. Kapur estimated licensed land surveyor/engineering fees to complete the vacation to not exceed \$10,000

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Frame. No discussion. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion/Acceptance of the pre-paid and regular check reports approved July 5, 2023

Motion by Howell to accept, second by Yunker. No discussion. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion/Action regarding a Renewal Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage License and a "Class C" Wine License Application filed by Mama Cimino's LLC, d/b/a Mama Cimino's, 131 S Wells St, Kerry Kerros, Agent (Chief Gritzner recommended non-renewal)

Howell stated that if the Council agrees to the renewal then a stipulation, as eluded by the applicant during public comment period. Howell would like to see the agreement before the renewal is approved, but did not want to schedule a hearing for non-renewal.

Motion by Howell to continue to the July 24th Council meeting, second by Fesenmaier. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session regarding: Possible Purchase of Property near Oakhill Cemetery

Motion by Esposito to convene the Council into Closed Session second by Frame. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0. The Council convened into Closed Session at 7:04 p.m.

Motion to return to open session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (2) and take action on any items discussed in closed session

Motion by Howell to reconvene the Council into Open Session, second by Yunker. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0. The Council reconvened into Open Session at 7:08 p.m.

Adjournment

Motion by Howell to proceed as discussed in Closed Session, second by Esposito. No discussion. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Frame to adjourn, second by Esposito. Motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.