

CITY OF LAKE GENEVA REGULAR COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 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 Straube
Alderperson Straube led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call
Present: Dunn, Esposito, Fesenmaier, Frame, Howell, Straube, Yager, and Yunker
Absent: None

Awards, Presentations, Proclamations, and Announcements
Alderperson Fesenmaier announced that the September Committee of the Whole will be held on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, due to the Labor Day Holiday.
Fesenmaier also announced that the Library is seeking input from community members regarding the future operations of the Library. The QR code with the link to the survey can be found on the main page of the City's website, which is good through September 20. The Library also has paper copies available.

Re-consider business from previous meeting
Motion by Yager to reconsider the Parks/Facilities Superintendent job description, second by Fesenmaier. Motion carried 8-0

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
Chris Brookes; 721 S Curtis St; Spoke in favor of the Historic Preservation Commission ordinance as presented in the packet.

Acknowledgement of Correspondence
Clerk Kropf noted that one item of correspondence was received of Jeff and Susan Martin, speaking in opposition to the placement of the Alliant Energy Substation being placed on the land east of the dog park.

Approve the Regular Council Minutes of August 14, 2023 as prepared and distributed
Motion by Yunker to approve, second by Esposito. No discussion. Motion carried 8-0.

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.

Tier I Event Permit application filed by Gygax Memorial Fund for the event of Dragon Days Festival of Fantasy to take place October 13, 2023 through October 15, 2023, 10:00 a.m to 6:00 p.m daily, located in Library Park
Motion by Howell to approve the consent agenda, second by Straube. Yager asked if the Dragon Days event would interfere with the Homecoming Parade. Clerk Kropf explained that the Police Department had reviewed it without any concerns raised. Motion carried 8-0.

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

Jessica Bahr from Allaint Energy addressed the Council regarding the proposed locations for the new substation. Bahr reviewed the requests of the Council at the previous meeting, including the current Utility Commission location and the current downtown substation location.

Motion to amend the minutes by Esposito on 9/11/2023 to add: The Council reviewed the renderings of the substation at the current location. The Council found the renderings to be very appealing, but agreed that the original proposed location, on the east side of the dog park, would be the most logical location for the substation. Motion by Howell to approve the substation to be located east of the dog park and to refer to the Plan Commission for consideration, second by Straube. Motion carried on a roll call vote 5-3, with Esposito, Fesenmaier, and Yager voting no.

First Reading of Ordinance 23-08 an ordinance amending Chapter 34, Historic Preservation, of the City of Lake Geneva Municipal Code

Mayor Klein offered Ordinance 23-08 as a first reading.

Motion by Fesenmaier to suspend the rules and move to a second reading, second by Howell. Dunn stated that he likes the ordinance but would like the public to have more time to vet the ordinance before the Council votes on it. Council discussion included the need to understand the ordinance and what effect that could have on current and future homeowners.

Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

Mayor Klein offered Ordinance 23-08 as a second reading.

Motion by Esposito to approve Ordinance 23-08, second by Frame. No discussion. Motion carried 8-0.

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

Discussion/Action regarding Task Order #29 by Kapur Engineering for design, management, and assessment of new sidewalk along Lake Geneva Blvd. and Edwards Blvd. as requested by the Public Works Committee

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Frame. No discussion. Motion carried 8-0.

Discussion/Action regarding reducing the speed limit on Edwards Blvd, south of the Bloomfield Road Intersection, to 30 mph

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Yunker. Fesenmaier stated that this would be approval to send the WI DOT a letter of recommendation regarding this issue, not that the City would be reducing the speed in the ordinances.

Motion by Fesenmaier to amend the motion to indicate that the City will not be reducing the speed, second by Yager. Motion to amend carried 8-0.

Original motion as amended carried 8-0.

Discussion/Action regarding adoption of the City of Lake Geneva Volunteer Liability Waiver form

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Esposito. No discussion. Motion carried 8-0.

Discussion/Acceptance of the Pre-paid and Regular Check reports approved on August 15, 2023 by the Finance, Licensing, and Regulation Committee

Motion by Howell to accept, second by Yunker. No discussion. Motion carried 8-0.

Recommendation of the Plan Commission- Ald. Yunker

Discussion/Action regarding Resolution 23-R43 a resolution authorizing the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Jason Lohman Lake Geneva, WI 53147, to allow for a Raze of the existing building to reconstruct a new 16,000 commercial building at 567 Broad St to a property located within the Central Business (CB) zoning district Tax Key No. ZFI00001

Motion by Yunker to approve with the notation that the new building will be approximately 3,700 square feet, second by Dunn. No discussion. Motion carried 8-0.

Discussion/Action regarding a proposed Certified Survey Map (CSM) for Paul Lauterbach, 914 Bennet Ct Walworth WI 53184, to create a single lot combining (4) existing lots at 630 Veterans Pkwy as identified on certified survey Project #9464.23 dated May 19, 2023, prepared by Christopher Hodges for Tax Key Nos. ZLGBP200029 thru ZLGBP00033

Motion by Yunker to approve, second by Dunn. No discussion. Motion carried 8-0.

Discussion/Action regarding **Resolution 23-R44** a resolution authorizing the issuance of a Precise Implementation Plan (PIP) for Paul Lauterbach 914 Bennet Ct Walworth WI for a new 16,000 sq. ft. building addition to 630 Veterans Pkwy Lake Geneva, WI 53147, to allow for a site addition to a property located within the Planned Business Park (PBP) zoning district Tax Key Nos. ZLGBP200029 – ZLGBP200031
Motion by Yunker to approve, second by Dunn. No discussion. Motion carried 8-0.

Adjournment

Motion by Straube to adjourn, second by Frame. Motion carried 8-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.