

CITY OF LAKE GENEVA REGULAR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2024 - 6:00 PM
LAKE GENEVA CITY HALL; COUNCIL CHAMBERS (MAIN LEVEL)

Members: Council President: Mary Jo Fesenmaier

Council Vice-President: Cindy Yager

Alderpersons: Sherri Ames, Shari Straube, Linda Frame, Peg Esposito, Joel Hoiland, Ken Howell

Call to order

Alderpersn Yager called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance – Yager

Alderpersn Yager led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present: Yager, Ames, Esposito, Frame, Hoiland, Straube

Absent: Fesenmaier, Howell

Approval of the Committee of the Whole Minutes from May 6, 2024, as prepared and distributed

Motion by Ames to approve, second by Hoiland.

No discussion. Motion Carried 6-0.

Comments from the public as allowed by Wis. Stats. §19.84(2), except for public hearing items. Comments will be limited to 5 minutes. Be further advised that matters brought up at this time may be referred to the appropriate committee or individual for further discussion and consideration.

Pete Peterson, 1601 Evergreen; spoke on the YMCA and using other development possibilities besides Hillmoor.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS. The following Aldermen will be given the opportunity to make announcements or reports at the meeting in regards to committee activities they have been involved in since the last meeting on behalf of the City, future activities and citizen contacts. It is not contemplated that these matters will be discussed or acted on but referrals to the appropriate committees and/or individuals will be made.

Finance, License, and Regulation Committee-Chair Howell

In Alderpersn Howell's absence, Alderpersn Yager referenced the packet materials for information.

No report given.

Personnel Committee-Chair Yager

Alderpersn Yager reported that the Committee is very busy; updated the job description format to ensure all descriptions are standardized moving forward, and approved the updated job description for the City Administrator. Upcoming items include the organization flowchart and changing job descriptions for a couple of open positions.

Public Works Committee-Chair Fesenmaier

In Alderpersn Fesenmaier's absence, Alderpersn Yager referenced the packet material for information.

No report given.

Piers, Harbor, and Lakefront Committee-Chair Frame

Alderpersn Frame reported on topics including upcoming spillway repair, lagoon dredging, surrounding municipal input on the future of the lagoon. The lagoon will be discussed again at the next meeting on June 11th at 5:00pm. The Committee is looking for public input.

COMMITTEE, COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS. The following committee representatives will be given the opportunity to make announcements or reports at the meeting in regards to committee activities they have

been involved in since the last meeting on behalf of the City, future activities and citizen contacts. These matters will be required to be placed on the agenda to comply with Wis. Stats.

Utility Commission-Fesenmaier and Howell

Aldersperson Yager referenced the packet materials for information.

No report given.

Tree Board-Esposito

Aldersperson Esposito reported on concerns including the cicadas, the Christmas Tree lights on Main Street being periodically removed to alleviate damage, and looking for ideas on how to mitigate damage to trees on Main Street and how to hold individuals accountable when they damage trees.

Discussion followed regarding cicadas and tree damage.

Police and Fire Commission-Straube

Aldersperson Straube stated that this week's meeting would be her first one.

Plan Commission-Esposito

Aldersperson Esposito reported that the Commission approved the Phase 8 of Symphony Bay annexation, a parcel combination on Knoll Ln, and a physical activity studio at 433 Broad St.

Aldersperson Hoiland reported on STR Ad Hoc Committee activities, the Ordinance is ready for legal review, and then the Ordinance should go to the Plan Commission in July and then Council sometime in August. The Committee will pursue other activities including resident communication, the website message, and to work with owners/operators to educate on the new ordinance and other alternatives.

Board of Park Commissioners-Yager

Aldersperson Yager reported on recent topics including prioritizing improvements and budgeting issues.

Library Board-Ames

Aldersperson Ames reported on recent and upcoming events including Badger Talks, Coffee with the Mayor, a pop-up dinner fundraiser at Simple, circulation increases, and Cicadapalooza.

Historic Preservation Commission-Hoiland

Aldersperson Esposito reported on projects including the local historical plaques, the traveling History Makers Tour in Library Park, railroad station pavers are being cleaned up.

Discussion followed on the local historical program regarding commercial and residential buildings.

Avian Committee-Yager

Aldersperson Yager spoke on the Purple Martins population, announced the Committee is participating in Cicadapalooza, and had a table at the Farmers Market for World Migratory Bird Day.

Tourism Commission-Fesenmaier and Howell

Aldersperson Yager referenced the packet materials for information.

No report given.

Cemetery Board-Frame

Aldersperson Frame reported on recent activity including officer election, the City liaison, who is now the Parks Superintendent, a pending logo, and the budget.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES SERVING ON OTHER BOARDS AND COMMITTEES. The following committee representatives will be given the opportunity to make announcements or reports at the meeting in regards to committee activities they have been involved in since the last meeting on behalf of the City, future activities and citizen contacts. These matters will be required to be placed on the agenda to comply with Wis. Stats.

*No meeting or materials posted on the City website.

*VISIT Lake Geneva-Yager

Alderson Yager congratulated Skip Harkless for winning the Mr. Lake Geneva contest, reported on the fundraising success of the event, and spoke about the Cicadapalooza event taking place on June 8th.

*Geneva Lake Museum-Hoiland

Alderson Hoiland reported on membership totals, hours of operation, fundraising and grant efforts, and various local group connections.

*Lake Geneva Economic Development Corporation-Hoiland and Yager

There was no meeting, no report given.

Geneva Lake Environmental Agency-Fesenmaier

Alderson Yager referenced the packet materials for information.

No report given.

*Geneva Lakes Family YMCA-Straube

Alderson Straube reported that the YMCA recently put out a Press Release regarding their various expansion opportunities.

*Geneva Lake Use-Frame

Alderson Frame reported on efforts with the Geneva Lake Association and the Geneva Water Alliance.

Discussion followed among Committee members regarding the activity of the various Boat Clubs and rental companies around the Lake.

Business Improvement District-Ames

Alderson Ames reported on the Murals in Motion event, upcoming efforts for the Main Street accreditation, and the silent auction.

Further discussion followed on the progression of the Murals and the possibility of more in the future.

Geneva Lake Law Enforcement Agency-Frame

Alderson Frame recently met with the Commander and reported on activities including training.

Future Meeting Date: July 1, 2024 at 6:00 pm

Adjournment

Motion by Hoiland, second by Frame.

No discussion. Motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 6:47 pm.

These minutes are unofficial until approved by the Committee.

Vanessa Jahns

Deputy Clerk