

**CITY OF LAKE GENEVA REGULAR COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2025 - 6:00 PM
LAKE GENEVA CITY HALL; COUNCIL CHAMBERS (MAIN LEVEL)**

Members: Mayor Todd Krause, Council President, Mary Jo Fesenmaier, Council Vice President, Cindy Yager, Alderpersons: Sherri Ames, Peg Esposito, Linda Frame, Joel Hoiland, Cathy Stoodley, and Shari Straube

Call to Order

by Mayor Krause at 6:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Aldersperson Yager

Roll Call

Present: Todd Krause, Sherri Ames, Shari Straube, Mary Jo Fesenmaier, Linda Frame, Peg Esposito, Joel Hoiland, Cathy Stoodley, Cynthia Yager.

Others present: Interim Administrator Dave DeAngelis, City Attorney Dan Draper, City Clerk Lacey L. Reynolds, Harbormaster Erick Nicia and other interested persons.

Awards, Presentations, Proclamations, and Announcements

Mayor Krause informed the council, interviews for the Hillmoor Commission concluded, equipment is needed to fix Channel 25 and should be delivered sometime in February and presentations were made to the PFC last week regarding a study done for the Police and Fire departments.

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

George Steffen of Pleasant St. spoke regarding the lagoon fees and that he is not in favor of the increase. Luke Pfeiffer of S. Lake Shore Dr. spoke regarding his business the Maxwell Mansion, CUP item 13b and his concerns for the CUP restrictions. Leann Muzzy of Ridge Rd. spoke regarding the Maxwell Mansion CUP item 13b, her concerns and shared she is not in favor of the updates.

Acknowledgement of Correspondence

Two letters received, forwarded to the Mayor and Common Council.

Approve the Regular Council Minutes of December 9, 2024 and Special Council Minutes of December 17, 2024

Motion by Hoiland to approve, second by Stoodley. Voice vote, approved, motion carried.

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.

Motion by Ames to approve all the events listed, second by Hoiland. Voice vote, approved, motion carried.

Public Event Permit filed by Lakeland Community Church for Church in the Park on July 6, 2025

Public Event Permit filed by the Geneva Lake Arts Foundation for Art in the Park from August 8 to 10, 2025

Public Event Permit with Street Use application filed by J3 Events Inc for the Studio Wine Run 5k on May 26, 2025

Complimentary Riviera Ballroom Event Request Form filed by VISIT Lake Geneva for Winterfest from January 29 to February 2, 2025

Items removed from the Consent Agenda

None.

Discussion/Action regarding Resolution 25-R01, authorizing May 13, 2025, as World Migratory Bird Day in the City of Lake Geneva

Motion by Yager to approve, second by Ames. Voice vote, approved, motion carried.

Discussion/Action on the Recommendations of the Finance, Licensing, and Regulation Committee- Ald. Ames

Geneva Lake Seawall Replacement Project Alt Bid 1 - Reinforced Poured Concrete Wall from CK Contractors in the amount of \$131,028.20 (approval recommended December 17, 2024)

Motion by Ames to approve, second by Esposito. Voice vote, approved, motion carried.

Gage Marine Pier and Buoy Service Contract for 2025-2027 (approval recommended December 17, 2024)

Motion by Ames to approve, second by Stoodley. Voice vote, approved, motion carried.

Resolution 25-02 regarding changes to the City of Lake Geneva Fee Schedule for increases to the Annual West End Pier Slip, Lagoon Slip, Buoy, Dingy, Kayak and Paddleboard Rack Leases (approval recommended December 17, 2024)

Motion by Ames to approve, second by Esposito. Motion by Frame to send this item back to the Piers, Harbor and Lakefront Committee, second by Fesenmaier. Discussion took place. Alder Frame amended her motion to only send back the Lagoon section of the fee schedule to the Piers, Harbor and Lakefront Committee, Alder Fesenmaier amended her second. Roll call vote: Frame, yes; Fesenmaier, yes; Straube, yes; Ames, no; Esposito, no; Hoiland, no; Stoodley, no; Yager, yes. 4-4 tie vote. Krause, yes, 5-4 vote, motion carried. Main motion to approve and will not include the updated fees for the lagoon; voice vote, approved, 1 abstained (Yager), motion carried.

Request by the Utility Commission for the City to participate in funding the replacement of culverts along the White River access road on the Hillmoor property with a 20% cost share of the final construction costs (approval recommended January 7, 2025)

Motion by Ames to approve, second by Hoiland. Voice vote, approved, motion carried.

Acceptance of the Pre-Paid and Regular Check Reports

Motion by Ames to approve, second by Yager. Voice vote, approved, motion carried.

Discussion/Action on the Recommendations of the Plan Commission- Ald. Esposito

Resolution 25-R03, authorizing the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to 930 Bayview Dr, Lake Geneva for a second-story addition and fence replacement in the Estate Residential (ER-1) zoning district, Tax Parcel No. ZGB00026

Motion by Esposito to approve, second by Ames. Voice vote, approved, motion carried.

Resolution 24-R04, authorizing the amendment of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP), to expand the Outdoor Commercial Entertainment land use and remove the Limited Conditional Use status in the General Business (GB) zoning district for the property located at 304 S. Wells St and 421 Baker St, Parcel No. ZA452900001

Motion by Frame to approve, second by Stoodley. Discussion took place. Motion by Hoiland to amend and remove all restrictions, including restriction 1 - Side A amplified sound shall be permitted Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays only, 2 - Side A amplified sound shall cease by 9:00 PM each of the permitted days and 3 - this amendment shall be reviewed in one year, second by Yager. Roll call vote: Hoiland, yes; Yager, yes; Stoodley, yes; Esposito, no; Frame, yes; Fesenmaier, no; Straube, yes; Ames, no. Motion carried 5-3. Main motion to include the amendment, roll call vote: Frame, yes; Stoodley, yes; Hoiland, yes; Ames, no; Straube, yes; Fesenmaier, no; Esposito, no; Yager, yes. Motion carried 5-3.

Confirming Mayoral Appointments

Alastair Cumming to the Business Improvement District for a term expiring January 1, 2027

Motion by Straube to approve, second by Fesenmaier. Voice vote, approved, motion carried.

Emily Trainor to the Business Improvement District for a term expiring January 1, 2027

Motion by Hoiland to approve, second by Yager. Voice vote, approved, motion carried.

Stephen Schroeder to the Business Improvement District for a term expiring January 1, 2027

Motion by Frame to approve, second by Stoodley. Voice vote, approved, motion carried.

Ann Esarco to the Plan Commission for a term expiring May 1, 2026

Motion by Straube to approve, second by Frame. Voice vote, 7 yes, 1 no (Ames), motion carried.

Shelley Rowell to the Tourism Commission for a term expiring May 1, 2025

Motion by Fesenmaier to approve, second by Frame. Voice vote, approved, motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Ames to adjourn, second by Yager. Voice vote, approved, motion carried. Adjourned at 7:21 pm.

Lacey L. Reynolds

City Clerk

Approved January 27, 2025