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Regular Council Meeting Transcribed Minutes: September 16, 2024

Call to order at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Council Members: Matt Caudill, Cynthia Dudeck, Gary Himes, P.J. Macchia, B.J. McMullan, Don Woodward.

Absent: Interim Fiscal Officer Jessi Spurlock

Also Present: Mayor Dwayne Bennett, Village Administrator Jeremy Shaffer, Deputy Fiscal Officer Sean Ratican, Solicitor Cris Newcomb, Police Chief Kyle Cawley, Fire Chief Chris Craft, and Corey Snow.

A reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance was done.

A moment of silence was held.

A reading of the minutes for August 12th, 2024 council meeting.

Motion to accept the minutes of August 12th, 2024, by Macchia, seconded by Caudill

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Persons appearing before council: None.

Payment of Bills. Motion to pay the bills by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Reports to Council:

No Fiscal Officer Report.

Police Chief Kyle Cawley gave his monthly police report to Council.

Fire Chief Chris Craft gave his monthly fire report to Council.

Village Administrator Jeremy Shaffer give his monthly administrative report to Council. Afterwards, Shaffer summarized and elaborated on a few ordinances that were to be presented to Council later in the meeting. Shaffer also let council know that there is now an electronic / online point of sale system being used in Village Hall, namely QuickBooks, as well as a start to a manual and solidified process for trash billing, which was in part implemented with the help of Snow. In addition, Shaffer let Council know that administration has started to more strictly

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enforce bed tax and business license violations and sent out nearly 2 dozen certified mail violations.

No Old Business.

Legislation:

Caudill asked Newcomb when the appropriate time to enter executive session may be, and what would be the proper order of events to take place when reading ordinances.

7:13 PM: Caudill motioned to modify the agenda and move up executive session out of order, seconded by Himes.

Roll Call: Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

7:14 PM: Caudill motioned to enter executive session to consider the employment, employment dismissal or demotion, or compensation of a public official and for pending legal litigation, seconded by. Caudill invited all Council, the Mayor, Police Chief Cawley, Newcomb, Dr. Ratican and Shaffer to executive session Seconded by Woodward.

Roll Call: Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Council entered into executive session at approximately 7:15pm.

Caudill made a motion to exit executive session, seconded by Macchia.

Roll Call: Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Council exited executive session at approximately 8:10pm.

Caudill made a motion to amend Ordinance 2024-55 to include the start of after passage of the 2020 professional training, as opposed to the August 2024 effective date of the officer, seconded by Macchia.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

A reading of: Ordinance No. 2024-55

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An ordinance appointing Douglas Eschweiler as temporary full-time officer of the Village of Geneva-on-the-Lake Police Department and declaring an emergency.

Motion for emergency by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Motion to wave the three-reading rule by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Motion to act by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

A reading of: Resolution No. 2024-56

A resolution authorizing the village administrator to apply for, accept, and enter into a costal management assistance grant provided by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) on behalf of the Village of Geneva-on-the-Lake for supplemental funding of the Old Lake Road/Township Park Shoreline Project and declaring an emergency.

Motion for emergency by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Motion to wave the three-reading rule by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Motion to act by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

A reading of: Ordinance No. 2024-57

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An ordinance amending Codified Ordinance section 921.01, 921.10, and all prior amendments to sections 921.01 and 921.10 clarifying and increasing monthly minimum sewer rates by 5.5 percent, and not declaring an emergency.

A reading of: Resolution No. 2024-58

A resolution authorizing the village administrator to apply for, accept, and enter into an Appalachian Community Grant Program (ACGP) agreement for \$860,000.00 on behalf of the village of Geneva-on-the-Lake for Supplemental Funding of the Old Lake Road / Township Park Shoreline Project and declaring an emergency.

Motion for emergency by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Motion to wave the three-reading rule by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Motion to act by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

A reading of: Resolution No. 2024-59

A resolution authorizing the mayor or village administrator to nominate, apply for, accept, and enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) agreement on behalf of the Village of Geneva-on-the-Lake for construction of the Palmetto Sanitary Sewer Extension Project and designating a dedicated repayment source for the loan and declaring an emergency.

Motion for emergency by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Motion to wave the three-reading rule by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Some discussion ensued about the repayment source.

Motion to act by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

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A reading of: Resolution No. 2024-60

A resolution authorizing the mayor/administrator to restrict parking or for street closure for the Penn Ohio ATCA Truck Show on July 12, 2025 from 2:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on July 12, 2025 and not declaring an emergency.

Motion for emergency by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Motion to wave the three-reading rule by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Motion to act by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

A reading of: Resolution No. 2024-61

A resolution authorizing the mayor and/or administrator to restrict parking or for street closure for the Stuffed Squeak Jeep Rally/Show on August 2, 2025 from 7:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and not declaring an emergency.

Motion for emergency by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted no, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Motion to wave the three-reading rule by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Motion to act by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.



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Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

A reading of: Resolution No. 2024-62

A resolution authorizing the execution of a then and now certificate by the Village of Geneva-on-the-Lake fiscal officer and for the payment of amounts due, said certificate attached hereto and incorporated herein and declaring an emergency.

Motion for emergency by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Motion to wave the three-reading rule by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Motion to act by Macchia, seconded by Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

A reading of: Resolution No. 2024-63

An ordinance amending Chapter 1361 Standards for Dwelling Units, RV's and Temporary Structures of the Village of Geneva-on-the-Lake under part thirteen of the building code.

Woodward had some questions on the specifics of the amendment, and Shaffer elaborated on said amendments.

A reading of: Resolution No. 2024-64

An ordinance declaring certain real property as a Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) district within the territorial boundaries of the Village of Geneva-on-the-Lake pursuant to O.R.C §5709.40, §5709.41 and §5709.43 within said district to include the listing of properties attached hereto as exhibit "A" and incorporated herein and not declaring an emergency.

Some discussion ensued regarding the specifics of the resolution.

New Business:

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Shaffer updated council of some tax changes in Put-in-Bay and amendments to the state code, and Put-in-Bay reached out to us to let us know if we are wanting to update a resort tax, then this would be the time to move. Various discussions about the topic ensued after.

Caudill made a motion for the administrator to negotiate with Roetzel and Associates for the resort tax legislation and lobbying, seconded by Macchia

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted nay, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Caudill made a motion for Newcomb and the insurance council to negotiate the injunction lawsuit with Marucci & Gaffney seconded by Macchia.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

- a. Council Work session Meeting, October 14, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
- b. Regular Council Meeting, October 14, 2024 at 7:15 p.m.
- c. Regular Council Meeting, October 21, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
- d. Special Council Meeting, September 19, at 4:00pm.

Motion to adjourn by Macchia, Caudill.

Roll Call: Caudill voted yes, Dudeck voted yes, Himes voted yes, Macchia voted yes, Woodward voted yes, McMullen voted yes. The motion passed.

Council adjourned at approximately 8:33pm.

Minutes transcribed by Corey Snow and Jessi Spurlock.