

**City of Geneseo, Henry County, Illinois
Committee of the Whole Meeting
January 30, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Geneseo met Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at the Council Chambers, 115 South Oakwood Avenue. Mayor Kathy Carroll-Duda called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm. Alderman Paula Simosky, Kent Anderson, Martin Rothschild, James Roodhouse, Brenda Johnson, Jason Robinson and Bob Wachtel answered roll call. Sue Garlick was absent. Others in attendance included City Administrator Lisa Kotter, City Attorney Derke Price, Deputy City Clerk/HR Brandon Maeglin, Public Works Director Chad VanDeWoestyne, IT Manager Garrett Griswold, Director of Electrical Operations Lewis Opsal, Inspector Rick Mills, Chief Piotrowski, Finance Director Kara Wiesemeyer and Chamber Director Rhonda Ludwig. Kiwanis representatives Ray Rogers, Arnold Taube and Martha Taube.
A Quorum was present.

Public Comment

Alderman Johnson reported that the Humane Society's building is going well and is about ready to open.

Presentation - Kiwanis Playground Equipment

Arnold Taube from the Kiwanis handed out information on new playground equipment for the City Park. The target age would be 6 to 18 months. One idea, is to fence it for younger children's safety. If this project proceeds it would be built on City property and would become the property of the City of Geneseo. A smaller option could go south of the current playground without taking down trees. Alderman Johnson shared concerns about mulch being used for small kids and Arnold Taube stated that it would double the cost to have the surface poured in place. Rhonda from the Chamber asked if the current plan could be "spliced" together with the current swings in place for the 2 to 5-year old with the swings being added to current swing sets. Administrator Kotter reported that when the City Park playground equipment last year was purchased the primary donors were foundations rather than businesses and may be the biggest piece can be taken out of the design and focus on the younger age pieces, this would then all fit in the north end.

Motion by Rothschild, second by Robinson to carry forward with no action in two weeks at the City Council meeting for more discussion.

**Voice Vote. 7 Ayes. 1 Absent.
Motion Carried.**

Discussion on Ordinance O-18-01 An Ordinance Declaring Bed Bugs a Nuisance.

City Attorney Price made one change to the ordinance would be that the fines would be "per occurrence". He clarified that the Ordinance cannot guarantee that there are no bed bugs. This ordinance will apply to Hotels as well and only addresses bed bugs. If the City Building Inspector is going to perform the inspections then he would need to take classes on how to perform Bed Bug Inspections. Tenants, Landlords or both could be cited in this ordinance, but the City doesn't have to inspect and cite just because the ordinance is adopted. The City will look into training and have Emerick Pest Control come to speak in the topic.

Motion by Rothschild, second by Robinson to move Ordinance O-18-01 An Ordinance Declaring Bed Bugs a Nuisance to the next Committee of the Whole.

ROLL CALL

**Ayes 7 Roodhouse,Rothschild,Robinson,Johnson,Anderson,Simosky,Wachtel
Nays 0
Absent 1 Garlick
Motion Carried**

Discussion on Munices Fines and Collections

Discussion on a way to incentivize people to comply with the Munices process. Municipalities can sign up with the State to have outstanding fines collected through tax refunds.

No Action

Discussion of future monthly reports made to the City Council

Discussion was held on the Administrator and Department Heads reporting to Council reports at the meetings. Alderman Johnson requested a report similar to the report that Missman gives us regarding the bills, electric and public works. The monthly department report could be listed on the agenda as an item.

No Action

Discussion on Resolution R-18-04 A Resolution Declaring Personal Property Surplus of a 2003 Nissan Pathfinder.

The Police Department has requested the approval to dispose of a 2003 Nissan Pathfinder 4 Door Vehicle with approximately 93,000 miles on it. This vehicle was a drug seizure vehicle that was utilized by the department. All proceeds from the sale of this vehicle will be deposited to the B account.

Motion by Wachtel, second by Johnson to recommend to the City Council to allow the sale of the 2003 Nissan Pathfinder, VIN # JN8DR09Y33W838447, through the use of the Clinton Auto Auction and to return all revenues to the Police B Account.

ROLL CALL

Ayes 7 Roodhouse,Rothschild,Robinson,Johnson,Anderson,Simosky,Wachtel

Nays 0

Absent 1 Garlick

Motion Carried

Discussion on the purchase of a K9 Police vehicle using Police B Funds.

Chief Piotrowski reported that the K9 Officer would like to upgrade using Shared Funds and Blackhawk Bank donated funds of \$5,989.00 towards the cost.

Motion by Rothschild, second by Robinson to recommend to the City Council to purchase a new 2018 Ford Expedition XL using B Account drug funds in the amount of \$37,789 under the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative Contract #171 from Kunes Country Ford and to purchase additional equipment and installation of approximately \$8,000 with \$40,000.00 from the B Account Drug Fund and \$5,989.00 from donated funds held at Farmers National Bank.

ROLL CALL

Ayes 7 Roodhouse,Rothschild,Robinson,Johnson,Anderson,Simosky,Wachtel

Nays 0

Absent 1 Garlick

Motion Carried

Discussion of contribution to Augustana College for Community Partnership Program

A monetary contribution is not required to participate. The college does ask that the City help at least with transportation costs and incidentals of students.

Motion by Wachtel, second by Rothschild to recommend to Council a \$10,000 commitment per academic year for the Augustana Community Partner program application.

ROLL CALL

Ayes 7 Roodhouse,Rothschild,Robinson,Wachtel,Johnson,Anderson,Simosky

Nays 0

Absent 1 Garlick

Motion Carried

Payment of City and Utility Bills

Additional Bills handed out.

Motion by Simosky, second by Roodhouse to approve City and Utility bills as presented.

ROLL CALL

Ayes 7 Roodhouse,Rothschild,Robinson,Wachtel,Johnson,Anderson,Simosky

Nays 0

Absent 1 Garlick

Motion Carried

Public Comment

None

Executive Session – RE: FOP State Law changes on Drug Testing

Motion by Robinson, second by Wachtel to enter into executive session under the following statutes as read by the Mayor; Pursuant to Collective Negotiating matters pursuant to: 5ILCS 120/2(c)(2) Collective Negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees and also 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) at 7:40 pm.

Motion by Wachtel, second by Robinson to reenter open meeting at 8:46pm.

ROLL CALL

Ayes 7 Roodhouse,Rothschild,Robinson,Wachtel,Johnson,Anderson,Simosky

Nays 0

Absent 1 Garlick
Motion Carried

Motion by Wachtel, Robinson to adjourn at 8:47 PM.
Voice Vote. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. 1 Absent.
Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Loree K. Phlypo
City Clerk