



**Village Board Meeting
Thursday April 09th, 2015 @ 7:00 p.m.**

Bill Antti-Village President

Cheri Borowiec-Village Trustee (**Absent**)
Eric Boxer-Village Trustee
Roger Cagann-Village Trustee

Alan Cornue-Village Trustee
Shannon Sperandeo-Village Trustee
Phil Traskaski-Village Trustee

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting of the Village Board was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Bill Antti.

2. Citizen's Comments PTO representative came with a Special Events Permit Application for a 5K Run/Walk to be put on the agenda April 21st Board Reorg Mtg.

3. Consent Agenda:

Approval of payment of Bills
Approval of Clerk/Treasurer's Report
Approval of Minutes: Reg. Mtg. March 12th, 2015
Approval of Operator's License: Jean Quillin

On a Cagann/Traskaski motion to approve consent agenda as listed; carried 6-0.

4. Unfinished Business:

a. Discussion and possible action on repealing of Business Tax Incentive Program.

Trustee Cagann presented his thoughts on repealing the Program. Since its creation in 2010 there has been only three businesses to take advantage of the program. He does not think the program is fair to existing businesses. New businesses have still come into the village without taking advantage of the program. President Antti presented a rebuttal. The program was created to attract new businesses. There are two ways to attract businesses: 1. TIF program, which didn't work and 2. BTIP, which is in its beginning stages. We are still gaining new construction and attracting new businesses. The other taxing entities are gaining because the business came to Genoa City. Trustee Cornue corrected Antti in stating that the tax is forgiven not deferred. He also made a statement about the ruin of economics because of politics getting in the way. Trustee Traskaski asked if there is somewhere to meet in the middle. Trustee Cornue talked about Personal Property Tax and the unfairness of this tax. He would like to see the Village forgive the village portion of this tax for all businesses. On a Cagann/Cornue motion to repeal the Business Tax Incentive Program effective immediately for new applicants and give existing offers till the end of the year to apply; failed 3-3.

5. New Business:

a. Discussion and possible approval of New Liquor License for Steven and Tamara Herner at 202 Williams Rd, Genoa City formerly Hideaway Bar.

Tamara Herner presented her request for the transfer of the Liquor License from the current owner to them when they close on the property on May 8th. On a Cagann/Cornue motion to approve of the new Liquor License for Steven and Tamara Herner at 202 Williams Rd, Genoa City formerly Hideaway Bar contingent on three conditions; closing on property, background checks approved and publication of application; carried 6-0.

b. Discussion and possible action on awarding of New Village Hall/Police Department Building Project Bid.

President Antti reported on bid opening for the new Village Hall/Police Department Building Project that happened earlier in the day.

On an Antti/Cornue motion to table to a future meeting for further review; carried 6-0.

c. Discussion and possible approval of Business Tax Incentive Program for Genoa City Travel Center, David Laurine owner.

Trustee Cagann presented the application from David Laurine for a request for Tax Incentive Program. After some discussion, on a Cagann/Traskaski motion to approve of Business Tax Incentive Program for Genoa City Travel Center, David Laurine owner; carried 5-1.

6. Ordinance Updates: NONE

7. Attorney Report: Linda Gray

8. Standing Committee Reports:

- a. Finance**—President Antti reported that the bills were reviewed and Clerk/Treasurer's report was read.
- b. Human Resource**—No report; meeting on April 13
- c. Parks & Recreation**—Trustee Cornue reported about Park mtg. regarding updating of ordinances and Ball Field lease.
- d. Community Relations and Communications**—Trustee Traskaski had a discussion with Building Inspector concerning getting forms on the village web-site.
- e. Public Safety and Licensing**—Trustee Cornue turned it over to Chief Balog who reported about training sessions of the officers. Also the need to fill some PT Officer positions.
- f. Economic Development and Zoning**—Trustee Cagann reported that he is going to get back to Ordinance updates.
- g. Public Works**—Trustee Boxer reported that he will schedule a meeting soon. PW Superintendent Schiller reported that the garage is almost finished. Park will be open soon.

9. Village President Report—President Antti read letter from WMCA regarding Clerk/Treasurer Jurewicz' new designation for State Certification for Clerk. He also reminded the Board that Reorg Mtg is April 21st @ 7:00 and to fill out the form in their packets and get back to him by next Thursday.

On a Cagann/Sperandeo motion to Adjourn at 7:40 PM; carried 6-0.

William Antti; Village President

Claudia L Jurewicz; Clerk/Treasurer