

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2016 - 6:30 PM
CITY HALL BUILDING, COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Council President Kordus called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Alderman Kordus.

Roll Call. Present: Aldermen Skates, Kordus, Horne, Hedlund, Howell. Absent: Aldermen Chappell and Gelting. Arrived Late: Alderman Flower. Also Present: City Administrator Oborn and Mayor Kupsik.

Horne/Skates motion for approval of minutes from July 5, 2016 Committee of the Whole Meeting as distributed. Motion carried unanimously.

Comments from the public as allowed by Wis. Stats. §19.84(2), except for public hearing items.

Mary Jo Fesenmaier, 955 George Street, stated the Committee of the Whole meeting is essential for people in the community. It helps residents stay up to date with what is going on so they can give input before items are voted upon at the Council level. She hopes the Parking Commission and Communications Committee are not abolished, and feels the Finance, License & Regulation Committee meeting should be changed.

Discussion/Recommendation on eliminating the Parking Commission and Communications Committee, rescheduling the Finance, License & Regulation Committee meeting, and general discussion on the scheduling of advisory committees of the City

Alderman Kordus noted he went through the ordinances and found the Parking Commission, Communications Committee and FLR are the only three groups that are really defined by ordinances. The other committees meet at the desire of the Chairperson. He stated the Parking Commission truly was established during the TIF to look for parking. Its real intent was to help design the parking garage which didn't end up coming to fruition. Since then we have hired a Parking Manager, so the functions of the Parking Commission are obsolete and could be handled by Public Works.

The Communications Committee was formed to help get everything set up when Time Warner came in to the city. Mr. Kordus has been on the committee for 2+ years, and the committee has only met 4 times. They really have nothing to discuss. That committee could be gotten rid of. We talked about putting it into personnel. The function of controlling the website and such would have to be put somewhere. The Communications Committee's purpose really doesn't exist anymore.

He stated everyone agrees that FLR is a rushed meeting. They try to get a lot done without a lot of discussion and get it moved on to Council. There is a recommendation for that to meet on the first Monday and 3rd Tuesday of each month. The first Monday we would try not to put anything on the agenda other than paying the bills and proforma type actions as it is prior to another meeting. The meeting on the third Tuesday is where the meatier issues would be placed that need discussion.

Mayor Kupsik was curious as to what the function of the Communications Committee is and questioned when the last time the ordinance was updated. Mr. Kordus said it was last updated in October of 2008. We would be looking at repealing the ordinance that created the committee. Mayor Kupsik asked if the ordinance regarding Public Works would have to be changed as well. Mr. Kordus stated the Chair could add that as a standing agenda. Alderman Hedlund asked if they would both go on Public Works. Mr. Kordus said it could go to a different standing committee. He was thinking personnel, but communications doesn't really fit neatly in any of the groups. Alderman Howell noted communications is hardly used at all. Mr. Kordus said he is fine as Chair of Public Works that it goes there.

There was a general consensus to move this item on to Council.

Discussion/Recommendation on joint workshop with the City Council and Utility Commission regarding coordination and interaction between the City operations and Utility operations as they currently exist

Alderman Skates thinks this is a good idea as people can sit back and listen. It is a good way for everyone to share ideas. Mr. Skates would love to see a specific agenda if there are things we want to work out. Mayor Kupsik said if this is sent

to Council, Council can agree on a date and come up with an agenda. Mr. Skates said finances, organization, land in township and acquisition are things that he is interested in. Mr. Hedlund will speak with the President of the Utility Commission for tentative dates. Mayor Kupsik would like input from the City Attorney as to how to proceed.

Alderman Flower arrived at 6:50pm.

Standing Committee Reports given:

Finance, License & Regulation Committee, Alderman Kordus
Personnel Committee, Alderman Hedlund
Public Works Committee, Alderman Kordus
Piers, Harbors, & Lakefront Committee, Alderman Skates

Committee, Commission and Board Reports given:

Board of Review, Alderman Kordus
Utility Commission, Alderman Flower
Tree Board, Alderman Skates
Police & Fire Commission, Alderman Howell
Plan Commission, Alderman Skates
Board of Park Commissioners, Alderman Skates
Library Board, City Administrator Oborn
Historic Preservation Commission, no report given
Cemetery Board, Alderman Kordus
Parking Commission, no report given
Communications Committee, no report given
Avian Committee, Alderman Horne

Other Boards and Committee Reports given:

Chamber of Commerce, Alderman Kordus
Geneva Lake Museum, Alderman Howell
Lake Geneva Economic Development Corporation, Alderman Hedlund
Geneva Lake Environmental Agency, Alderman Horne
Geneva Lakes Family YMCA, Alderman Skates
Geneva Lake Use Committee, Alderman Flower

Skates/Hedlund motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m. Unanimously carried.

/s/ Stephanie Gunderson, Assistant City Clerk

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