

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 04, 2019 – 6:00 PM
CITY HALL BUILDING, COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Council President, John Halverson

Alderspersons: Selena Proksa, Doug Skates, Tim Dunn, Cindy Flower, Shari Straube, Ken Howell and Rich Hedlund

Council President Halverson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Aldersperson Straube led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present: Straube, Flower, Proksa, Dunn, and Halverson

Absent: Howell, Hedlund, and Skates

Approval of Minutes from October 07, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting as distributed.

Motion by Proksa to approve, second by Dunn. No discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

Inspired Coffee to present on the new downtown location and their mission

Eric Barber from Inspiration Ministries introduced himself to the Committee. He noted that his group has been in Walworth County for over seventy years and they help individuals with disabilities. They help these individuals find trainings and work opportunities to transition them from schooling to the workforce. Barber added that there will be an Inspired Coffee on Main Street that will employ individuals with both developmental and physical disabilities. He stated that this project has had great momentum and they are hopeful to be open in Spring 2020. He stated that this will be a way to change the dynamic on how people view those with disabilities. They will use a local bean roaster and will offer the community space for various needs.

Dawn Heath from Join the Movement to present on Human Trafficking issue and its impact in Walworth County

Dawn Heath, President of Join the Moment, addressed the committee. She offered many useful tips to keep children safe from online predators. She added that many children use these apps to simply make friends however many predators can stalk children through them. She added that Join the Moment offers training to schools, hospitals, and to the community to help parents identify the signs of potential trafficking. She added that human trafficking can also involve sex slavery, exploitation of children, and organ harvesting. Heath noted that this is a \$1.5B industry second only to drugs/illicit substances.

Discussion of City Government Technology

Aldersperson Flower addressed the committee regarding some of the areas that she felt the City was lacking in technology and shared some ideas about what could possibly be explored for the future. She added that she would like to see a committee formed to address this and hopefully have a report out at the next committee of the whole.

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

Comments will be limited to 5 minutes. Be further advised that matters brought up at this time may be referred to the appropriate committee or individual for further discussion and consideration.

Dimitri Anagnos; 148 Cass St; Spoke to the need for having different parking prices for different times of the year. He also encouraged the technology upgrade for City Hall.

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Pete Peterson; 1601 Evergreen Ln; Spoke in favor of moving the Joint Plan Commission and Common Council meeting being held in the Council Chambers not the Police Training room. He also added that he would like to see this meeting televised.

Dick Malmin; N1991 S Lake Shore Dr; Spoke in favor of leaving the former Hillmoor property as it is and spoke in opposition of its development.

Theresa Geezy; 528 Sage St; Spoke in favor of leaving the former Hillmoor property as it is and spoke in opposition of its development.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS. The following Aldermen will be given the opportunity to make announcements or reports at the meeting in regards to committee activities they have been involved in since the last meeting on behalf of the City, future activities and citizen contacts. It is not contemplated that these matters will be discussed or acted on but referrals to the appropriate committees and/or individuals will be made.

- Finance, License & Regulation Committee, Alderman Howell
- Personnel Committee, Alderman Proksa
- Public Works Committee, Alderman Flower
- Piers, Harbors, & Lakefront Committee, Alderman Skates

COMMITTEE, COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS. The following committee representatives will be given the opportunity to make announcements or reports at the meeting in regards to committee activities they have been involved in since the last meeting on behalf of the City, future activities and citizen contacts. These matters will be required to be placed on the agenda to comply with Wis. Stats.

- Utility Commission, Aldermen Hedlund & Flower
- Tree Board, Alderman Dunn
- Police & Fire Commission, Alderman Skates
- Plan Commission, Alderman Skates
- Board of Park Commissioners, Alderman Straube
- Library Board, Alderman Halverson
- Historic Preservation Commission, Alderman Dunn
- Cemetery Board, Alderman Howell
- Avian Committee, Alderman Proksa
- Tourism Commission, Aldermen Hedlund & Straube

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES SERVING ON OTHER BOARDS AND COMMITTEES. The following committee representatives will be given the opportunity to make announcements or reports at the meeting in regards to committee activities they have been involved in since the last meeting on behalf of the City, future activities and citizen contacts. These matters will be required to be placed on the agenda to comply with Wis. Stats.

- VISIT Lake Geneva, Alderman Proksa
- Geneva Lake Museum, Alderman Dunn
- Lake Geneva Economic Development Corporation, Aldermen Howell & Hedlund
- Geneva Lake Environmental Agency, Alderman Skates
- Geneva Lakes Family YMCA, Alderman Flower
- Geneva Lake Use Committee, Alderman Dunn
- Business Improvement District, Alderman Halverson

Adjourn

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Motion by Flower to adjourn the meeting, second by Dunn. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.