

**City of Geneseo, Henry County, Illinois**  
**City Council – Second Session**  
**April 12, 2016**  
**6:00 PM**

**City Clerk Loree K. Phlypo swore in the following newly elected officials:**

**Kathy Carroll-Duda – Mayor**  
**Serena Sue Garlick – First Ward Alderman**  
**Robert Wachtel – Second Ward Alderman**  
**Brenda Johnson – Third Ward Alderman**  
**Kent Anderson – Fourth Ward Alderman**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call**

The Second Session of the City Council Meeting of the City of Geneseo met Tuesday April 12, 2016 at the Council Chambers, 115 South Oakwood Avenue. Mayor Kathy Carroll-Duda called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm. Aldermen Paula Simosky, Martin Rothschild, Bob Wachtel and Sue Garlick, James Roodhouse, Brenda Johnson and Kent Anderson answered roll call. Others in attendance included, Administrator Kotter, City Clerk Phlypo, Finance Director Wiesemeyer, Chief Piotrowski, Public Works Director VanDeWoestyne, Director of Electrical Operations Opsal, Inspector Mills, HR Manager Billiet and IT Director Griswold.

There was a quorum.

**Mayor Carroll-Duda asked for consideration to appoint Loree Phlypo as City Clerk.**

**Motion by Wachtel, second by Simosky to appoint Loree Phlypo as City Clerk.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: 7 Simosky,Roodhouse,Wachtel,Anderson,Johnson,Garlick,Rothschild**  
**NAYS: 0**  
**ABSTAIN: 0**  
**ABSENT: 0**

**Motion Carried**

City Attorney Alcorn swore in Loree Phlypo as City Clerk.

Mayor Carroll-Duda asked for consideration of the candidates for the vacancy of Fourth Ward Alderman.

Motion by Wachtel, second by Rothschild to appoint Jason Robinson to the Fourth Ward Alderman position.

Candidate Palmgren asked to speak and stated that she wanted to reiterate that she has the experience from being Mayor for the last 2 years and as acting Administrator for a year until the City hired an administrator. Alderman Anderson made a motion to appoint Nadine Palmgren, City Attorney Alcorn pointed out that there is already a motion on the floor that has to be voted on.

**AYES: 7 Simosky,Roodhouse,Wachtel,Johnson,Garlick,Rothschild**  
**NAYS: 1 Anderson**  
**ABSTAIN: 0**  
**ABSENT: 0**

**Motion Carried**

City Clerk Phlypo swore in Jason Robinson as Fourth Ward Alderman.

**Mayoral Comments**

Mayor Carroll-Duda read the Positive Pledge poem by Jon Gordon.

**Proclamation**

Mayor Carroll-Duda read the National Police Week 2016 Proclamation.

## **Public Comment**

Mayor Carroll-Duda stated that the resident's opinions and comments are important but reminded everyone that the meetings and public comment portions need to follow the guidelines that have been set up by the Council. She read the ordinance on public comment guidelines. Mayor Carroll-Duda stated that when public comments are made the Council has the right not to respond. If it is an item that the Council feels is something that needs to be addressed at a future meeting then it will be put on an agenda. Roberts Rule of Order and the Ordinance on Public Comment will guide the meetings.

Consent Agenda  
None

## **Consideration of Resolution R-16-147 A Resolution Authorizing Signatures with the Depository Institutions of the City of Geneseo**

Administrator Kotter reported that this is the resolution that has to be corrected with a change of Mayor. We went from 6 people as signors to 4, during the time when there were 6 the 2 aldermen weren't called in to sign. City Accountant needs to be changed to Finance Director. This would name the Mayor, City Administrator, City Clerk and Finance Director as signors.

**Motion by Rothschild, second by Johnson to approve Resolution R-16-147 A Resolution Authorizing Signatures with the Depository Institutions of the City of Geneseo.**

**Voice Vote. 8 Ayes. 0 Nays.**

**Motion Carried**

## **Consideration of Cell Tower Permit for Buell Consulting, Central States Tower and Verizon Wireless Planning Consultants for the Site at 504 E. Exchange Street.**

Administrator Kotter reported that Aldermen Simosky and Rothschild requested that this item be moved to this meeting instead of waiting until the 26<sup>th</sup>. Alderman Simosky reported that she has a vacation planned and wouldn't be able to make the meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup>. She stated that she feels that the 55 year lease is too long and wanted to know if the SE corner of the property could be utilized as the building would hide the base by placing it there. Also she wanted to know what the shortest tower that could be built. Tom Ferry from Central States Tower stated that you could build a 150 foot tower which would hold 3 tenants. Director of Electrical Operations stated that if a tower is not constructed he will be erecting a 100 foot tower for their antennas. Roodhouse commented that if there is going to be a 100 foot tower there anyway then what is another 65 feet and then we don't need another tower anywhere else. Alderman Johnson stated that the Council needs to listen to the citizens, there was a petition signed by 249 residents that are against the tower. Director Opsal stated that the SW corner would be better for the electric department, this would give the department better outside storage options for poles and transformers. Administrator Kotter stated that the lease will be negotiated to include a removal and restoration clause of 120 days to take down in the event it becomes unusable, lease term of 30 years with 5 year automatic renewal.

**Motion by Roodhouse, second by Rothschild to approve a Tower Use Permit at 504 E Exchange Street with a height limit of 165 feet and a 30 year lease limit and authorize staff to come back with a detailed lease for approval.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: 6 Simosky,Roodhouse,Wachtel,Garlick,Rothschild,Robinson**

**NAYS: 2 Johnson,Anderson**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**ABSENT: 0**

**Motion Carried**

## **Consideration of appointment of a Plan Commission Member.**

Mayor Carroll-Duda stated that with the resignation of Sue Garlick from the Plan commission there needs to be an appointment made. She nominated Michael Smith to be appointed to the Plan Commission Board.

**Motion by Rothschild, second by Roodhouse to approve the appointment of Michael Smith to fill the vacancy for Sue Garlick's term on the Plan Commission which expires in May 2017.**

**Voice Vote. 8 Ayes. 0 Nays.**

**Motion Carried.**

## **Public Comment**

None

**Executive Session**

**RE: Discussion of 911 Center Consolidation with regards to employees 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and 5ILCS 120/2(c)(2) Collective Negotiating**

**Motion by Wachtel, second by Robinson to move into executive session under 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and 5ILCS 120/2(c)(2) at 7:46 PM.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: 8 Simosky,Roodhouse,Wachtel,Garlick,Rothschild,Robinson,Johnson,Anderson**  
**NAYS: 0**  
**ABSTAIN: 0**  
**ABSENT: 0**  
**Motion Carried**

**Return to open meeting**

**Motion by Roodhouse,second by Wachtel to open the public meeting at 8:11 PM.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: 8 Simosky,Roodhouse,Wachtel,Garlick,Rothschild,Robinson,Johnson,Anderson**  
**NAYS: 0**  
**ABSTAIN: 0**  
**ABSENT: 0**

**Possible Action after Executive Session**

**Motion by Rothschild, second by Wachtel to approve Resolution R-16-148 A Resolution in support of maintaining the City of Geneseo's 911 Center.**

**Voice Vote. 8 Ayes. 0 Nays.**

**Motion Carried**

**Motion by Wachtel, second by Robinson to adjourn at 8:12pm.**

**Voice Vote. 8 Ayes. 0 Nays.**

**Motion Carried**

Respectfully submitted,

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Loree K Phlypo  
City Clerk