

Town of Genoa
June 17th, 2025

Roll Call:

Board Members: Mayor-Brenden Houder, Louis Hulstine, Melissa Wolfe, Mary Keyes, Joseph Vigliatura, Carla Weeks

Absent: Eddie Becker

Employees: Chanzi Oulds – Clerk, Rene Bojorquez – waste/water operator, and Kirk Osborn - Maintenance

Guest:

Lewie Wells, Jim and Darlene Hatley, Barbara Dole, Linda Kerns, Troy McCue

Brenden Houder called the regular meeting to order at 7:00PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Louis Hulstine Motion to approve agenda for June 17th, 2025, seconded by Joeseeph Vigaliatura, motioned passed all in favor.

Guest comments:

Barbara Dole made a comment about town hours.

Business Item:

Approval of the minutes May 20th and special meeting June 3rd, 2025

Louis Hulstine motioned for the approval of the minutes on May 20th and special meetings on June 3rd, 2025, and the motion was seconded by Melissa Wolfe, motion passed unanimously.

Joseph Vigilatura motioned to remove Allen Chubbuck from board member to guests on June 17th minutes, and the motion was seconded by Melissa Wolfe. Motion passed with all in favor.

Carla Weeks stated we should stop spending until we create more revenue. Even though things are behind and need fixed spending needs to be spread out.

Carla Weeks motioned to approve the bills and file the financials for the month of June 2025, Louis Hulstine seconded. Motioned passed unanimously.

Correspondence - CML

Department reports:

Attorney – Need to speak with Attorney about purple bus to see if they can connect with the water and sewer.

Clerk – Chanzi Oulds is Leaving for vacation in July. Stacy will be covering. Also, water accounts will start being cut off for past due accounts with who have made no contact.

Maintenance – John Deer motor is up and running. Club Cadet Mower is running. Silverado pick up thermostat was bad. Kirk put a new radiator in, and it's been fine. Looking into getting an upholstery cleaner for the truck. Took load in dump trailer drove it to Arriba and back everything is okay. Brush hog changed, oiled, and changed U – pins and a few other items. Gator is down, ordered fuel pump and fuel pressure regulator. Zero-turn John Deer changed belts and blades and greased it. John Deer 52-20 cleaned it out and greased it. Right now, we are doing emergency fixes trying to get caught up. Once we are caught up, we will have a maintenance schedule that is followed. Kirk checked out the dump trailer a few items need welded. He also put in a new battery. For the fogger bought a battery and installed it and will look into keeping it up to date and going. He needs to flush vault out by the tower. May need a back flow pump. Kirk will see about getting the hose to repair. Red- Roller compactor may be used to fix the road on Kunkle Rd. We will try to get some more asphalt. Kirk took pictures of the generator at the pump house; he knows someone who will get the manuals for the generator. Mowed around town. Cleaning up bus barn. Christmas decorations are going to be thrown away. One of the Hicks may be trying to clean up the other side of the bus barn, where they have a car and camper. The fence at the water plant is missing, Kirk will get an estimate. Checked the aerators one is working, and one isn't. Will check with MVEA about when their prime time is. Will get mouse/rat poisoning in the shed. There is a lot of trash out at the waste/water facility that needs cleaned up. Kirk will start taking some of the trash to the landfill little by little. Down the line we may check into putting a snow blower on the John Deer tractor instead of a plow on a truck. We may want to get forks on the John Deer tractor as well.

Water/ wastewater – Rene has been working on securing the pump house in Bovina and the cistern and putting the bird screens up. He has been doing the daily task like water testing. To get the line/pump houses up to speed it may cost a lot. Not sure if he should tear into it, seeing as we are doing the water project soon. He checked into getting a few numbers for people who can dig for the pit that needs replaced. Spencer charges \$150 an hour, which they thought it was a fair estimate. We will be responsible for putting in the pit correctly. Board gave Rene the go ahead to schedule someone with a backhoe to dig for the pit. Working with the rural water association (Peter Huisman) to get into compliance. Our Sewer pump is needing replaced, they checked on the pump and may try to pull it up. Clay valve may have frozen and broke and is flooding the pit by the tower. The park fire hydrant at the park is being used by ranchers from now on our water/sewer operator Rene will need to be there for people to get water so they can be billed correctly. So he can keep track of our correct water usage. Currently at that fire hydrant is at 124820 gallons.

Safety report –Our carports at the park aren't very sturdy. May need to work a chainsaw into the budget to cut down some of the dead trees and branches at the park.

Community and economic development – Troy McCue Gave Report, also explained the tower grant.

Code Enforcer: Rene Bojorquez and Joseph Vigliatura have voiced their interests for code enforcing. We need to see if Code Enforcing is self-sufficient and what our ordinances state. We will hold off until we have more information.

Old Business:

Water Project – GMS water project had a meeting with all involved and Chanzi Oulds and Brenden Houder attended. They went over finances planning, and grant money. Our water project involves a new transmission line, our Bovina Well that we aren't using currently, due to it being on an easement. We will redrill and move the line, and we will be getting new water meters. GMS representative will come out. We will try to do a special meeting after our next monthly meeting.

Discussion of the truck - right now we do not need a brand-new pick up. Kirk was able to get our truck up and running. We will table it for a few months.

Resident communication email access - needs to talk to the email people to get access to mass emails.

New Business:

(Louis Hulstine) Motioned to accept the second reading of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 25-05-02 AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A FRANCHISE BY THE TOWN OF GENOA, LINCOLN COUNTY, COLORADO, TO MOUNTAIN VIEW ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC., IT SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, TO LOCATE, BUILD, CONSTRUCT, ACQUIRE, PURCHASE, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE INTO, WITHIN AND THROUGH THE TOWN OF GENOA, ALL NECESSARY, NEEDFUL AND CONVENIENT POLES, POLE LINES, POSTS, WIRES, TRANSFORMERS, GUY POSTS AND GUY WIRES, APPARATUS, APPLIANCES AND WORKS, FOR THE PURCHASE, GENERATION, TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENERGY, AND TO FURNISH, SELL AND DISTRIBUTE SAID ELECTRICAL ENERGY TO THE TOWN OF GENOA, AND THE INHABITANTS THEREOF, FOR LIGHT, HEAT AND POWER OR OTHER PURPOSES BY MEANS OF CONDUITS, CABLES, POLES AND WIRES STRUNG THEREON, OR OTHERWISE, ON, OVER, UNDER, ALONG, ACROSS AND THROUGH ALL STREETS, ALLEYS, VIADUCTS, BRIDGES, ROADS, LANES, AND OTHER PUBLIC WAYS AND PLACES IN SAID TOWN OF GENOA, AND FIXING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS THEREOF. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF GENOA, LINCOLN COUNTY, COLORADO:

(Melissa Wolfe) seconded the motion. Motion passed all in favor.

The Genoa Tower needs a bridge loan for around \$750,000 they need a letter of support for approval of grant money for them to complete phase 1. Joseph Vigaliatura, motioned for the Town of Genoa to sign and support the Genoa Tower getting the approval of loan funds, motioned was seconded by Louis Hulstine. Motioned passed unanimously.

Carla Weeks Made Motion to appoint Mary Keyes as Pro-tem mayor, Brenden Houder seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor.

Louis Hulstine made a motion for the reorganization of the board of trustees, Melissa Wolfe seconded. All passed unanimously.

Code Red- Code Red sends out emergency information to the town people. Emergencies such as a water shut off notice, for the town, Tornado alerts, and fire alerts. It is your own personal responsibility to sign up for Code Red. You can be alerted via email, phone number, or Text. You would receive alerts about boil orders, main breaks,

Louis Hulstine made a motion to put Code Red information in our water bills, motion was seconded by Carla Weeks. Motioned passed all in favor.

Once the Code Red information is set up, we will send it out in everyone's water bills and post the instructions to sign up on town hall and the post office.

Board Comments – Check into RV Park Lease.

Staff, Council and Mayor Comments - NONE

Louis Hulstine motioned for the meeting to adjourn at 9:15pm. Melissa Wolfe seconded the motion, motion passed with all in favor.