



**CITY OF GENEVA  
COLLEGE AREA LIVABILITY TASK FORCE  
REGULAR MEETING  
March 25, 2019  
6:00 PM  
GENEVA CITY HALL**

**MINUTES**

Members in Attendance

Bob Debolt, Property Owner  
Gordy Eddington, Councilor-at-Large  
Robb Flowers, HWS  
Angelina Marino, Councilor, Ward 1

Staff in Attendance

Rhonda Destino, Communications Director  
Sage Gerling, City Manager  
Chief Passalacqua, Chief of Police

**I. Call to Order** **Councilor Angelina Marino, Chair**

**II. Review of Previous Meeting Minutes** **Sage Gerling, Staff Liaison**

**III. Public Comment**

- A concern for Hamilton St. lawn parties
- April 2nd a visiting sports team bus was egged by students

**IV. Discussions**

a. 2019 Plans & Actions

Strengthen relationships between HWS and the neighborhoods.

- i. Off-campus student education – Feb. 2019 (Rhonda Destino)

Ms. Destino provided a recap of the annual off-campus student forum. HWS modified the format based on feedback from the City staff participants from a panel to three workshops. Staff from the Fire Department, Police Department, Communications, and Code helped to facilitate the workshops. Students were split up from their off-campus housemates to rotate through the workshops. A suggestion for next year is to have a property owner represented. Bob volunteered to participate. The three themes were:

1. Being a Good Neighbor: included safety issues, warm weather checks, drunken behavior, history of resident complaints, encouragement to

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exchange numbers and meet your neighbors, neighborhood association info, awareness of living in an old house (ex. Photos of how structural beams cannot tolerate large parties).

2. Lease Logistics: Although 90% of students had already signed their lease, the session went over the responsibilities of the landlord and the tenant.
3. HWS & You: The Police Department went over the safety of who is coming to your home, knowing your neighbors and issues they see.

ii. Resident/Student August visits- committee preparation (Sage Gerling)  
 The committee will join HWS and the Police Department with the off-campus student August (Week of the 26<sup>th</sup>) visits. We will include knocking on year-round resident doors as well and see if the neighborhood association can join us. HWS has volunteered to have ice cream. For year-round neighbors, we will share info about 911, student and committee info.

b. Meeting schedule

**2019 MEETING SCHEDULE, 6 PM: June 24th; September 23rd and November 25th**

**V. Updates**

A. Committee Members

- a. Warm Weather Checks (Sage Gerling)
  - i. Checks begin in April.
- b. Downtown Taverns (Sage Gerling)
  - i. Ms. Gerling, Chief Passalacqua and Mr. Flowers are setting up a collaborative assistance meeting with Beef & Brew to help manage their popularity with students with issues, such as fake IDs.
- c. Police Department Updates (Chief Passalacqua)
  - i. Chief Passalacqua reported that noise complaints are down as well as formal complaints and arrests. The S. Main police detail is walking the beat. The officers are giving warnings when there is no noise complaint. Campus Safety is also helping with S. Main and Pulteney Street.
- d. HWS Updates (Robb Flowers)
  - i. Mr. Flowers reported that HWS suspended one more fraternity. The sports bubble is also helping with the noise issue from early morning practice. He is working on community usage of the bubble. Mr. Flowers noted that the new President arriving in July wants to be engaged. He also noted that the Public Safety department is now fully staffed.
- e. Other updates

**VI. Adjourn**