

MINUTES OF
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 3, 1989

CALL TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Galena was called to order Tuesday, January 3, 1989 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers with Thomas Y. Allen, Mayor, presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Roll Call indicated the following Council Members present: Hayes Little, King, Byrd, Stephenson, Fitzer, Tipton, Jenkins
Absent: Poelma, Qualls

MINUTES:

Moved by Byrd, seconded by King to approve and place on file the minutes of the December 20, 1988 meeting. Motion declared carried.
Abstain: Fitzer

PUBLIC HEARING
FAIR RENTAL ORDINANCE:

Mayor Allen opened the Public Hearing on the Fair Rental Ordinance by requesting comments from the public. Several of the owners of rental property were present and made their views known to the council. City Attorney, Gene Barrett, explained different aspects of the ordinance. He explained why property sold on contract for deed should also be included in the ordinance. The residents who commented felt that there were ordinances on record that would solve the problem and felt they were being discriminated against.

Jenkins left 8:12 P.M.

Public Hearing closed at 8:15 p.m.

Moved by Little, seconded by Byrd to table the Fair Housing Ordinance until a future date.
Motion declared carried.

Jenkins returned 8:18 P.M.

DRAINAGE ON 21 ST ST:

Little reviewed the problem with the water draining across the yards between 20th & 22nd Streets from Galena Ave. west to the drainage ditch in the alley West of Joplin Street. He suggested a ditch be put in along Galena Ave. and Joplin Streets and the culverts cleaned on 21st Street. It was noted that there is a problem with the ditches in several areas of the city.

Moved by Fitzer, seconded by Jenkins that Verlin White be contacted to make a recommendation on the slope and grade at 21st & Joplin Street and at 12th & Euclid and Mineral. Motion declared carried.

Nays: King, Tipton

1989 SALARIES:

The Finance Committee reported they had met and discussed salaries for 1989. They recommended a 5% raise for all employees except seasonal.

Moved by King, seconded by Byrd to approve Ordinance 89-1 which sets the pay rates for city employees for 1989. Motion declared carried.

METER READER:

Mayor Allen requested the council consider raising Charles Sweet, the reader meter from laborers' wages to operators' wages.

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Moved by King, seconded by Tipton to raise Charles Sweet's wages from Laborer's scale to operator's scale. Motion declared carried.

AIR COMPRESSOR:

Moved by Jenkins, seconded by King to purchase an air compressor from American National Bank at a cost of \$425.00. Motion declared carried.

STEAM CLEANER HOSE:

Superintendent Sills requested he be allowed to purchase a steam cleaner hose to replace the one the shop is currently using.

Moved by Fitzer, seconded by Jenkins to purchase a 40 ft Steam cleaner Hose at a cost of \$149.25. Motion declared carried.

CABLE TV RATE INCREASE:

Included in council packets was information concerning the increase in Cable TV rates by Multi Vision Cable. City Attorney explained to the council members that they could not contest the increase under their franchise agreement. No action was taken.

VACATING ALLEY:

Mayor Allen announced that the ordinance vacating the alley between Empire and Oak Streets West of Barnes to the City Limits had not passed at the December 20, 1988 meeting. It required a 2/3 vote for passage and only 5 had voted in favor of the ordinance.

Moved by Little, seconded Hayes to approve Ordinance 89-2 vacating the alley between Empire and Oak Streets west of Barnes to the City Limits. Motion declared carried.

WATER LINES TO
SCHERMERHORN PARK:

Mayor Allen reported that EPA had inquired as to the City enlarging the water lines from 23rd Street to Schermerhorn Park on Main Street to accommodate the new customers the city would acquire through the new rural water district. It was noted that this area is served by a 2 inch water line at this time. The recommendations was to install a line on the East side of Main Street from 23rd to Schermerhorn Park and on the West side from 24th to Schermerhorn Park. The estimated cost for this is \$15,578.24.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by King to put in Ordinance form to use the funds from the Special Water Fund to run water lines from 23rd & Main to Schermerhorn Park. Motion declared carried.
Nays: Hayes, Little

PARK CARETAKER
RESIGNATION:

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Little to accept the resignation of Mike Wendt as Park Caretaker effective January 1, 1989. Motion declared carried.
Nay: King

PARK HOUSE:

Mayor Allen reported that the equipment at the park had been inventoried by the city superintendent and moved to the city lot for safe keeping. He stated that the house at the park needs quite a lot of repair. The council has three options, repairing the house, replacing the structure with a new structure or a mobile home.

Moved by Little, seconded by Fitzer to lock Schermerhorn Park at dark and open when patrol

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changes in the morning with trash to be picked up regularly and the park committee to bring back a recommendation concerning the house to the next meeting. Motion declared carried.

SIZING THE MINES:

Mayor Allen stated he had been contacted by the Bureau of the Mines and they are in the process of developing a new plug for mines and are considering using the Galena site for a pilot project. They would need the size of the mines down to bedrock to do this.

Moved by Little, seconded by Fitzer to allow the expenditure of funds up to \$500 for the sizing of some of the mines. Motion declared carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CEMETERY:

Tom Wade presented his cemetery report for 1988 and provided the council with a copy of his inventory. He stated his main need for the present time is dirt. He would like the council to take bids on 20 loads of black dirt. This should last him through the year.

Moved by King, seconded by Little to advertise for the purchase of 20 loads of black dirt. Motion declared carried.

INDUSTRIAL:

The Industrial Committee along with Ken Ashburn had met with Ecotech representatives concerning the establishment of a solid waste disposal plant here. They reported no toxic waste would be brought to the site. The Chamber of Commerce is to meet with their representatives Monday January 9 to see the film shown by Ecotech. The committee and representatives have been discussing the location of the plant and have a few sites under consideration. They recommend the city have a public hearing concerning this.

The committee also met with Steve Robb of SEK Regional Planning Commission and Don LaPanne and Bill Pittman. LaPanne is interested in starting a plant to build windows and doors. He stated it would employ 17 to 30 persons to start and then increase employment after the first year. Full cost of the plant would be approximately 2.37 million and he would need financial assistance. He is to meet with the committee again when he has a firm commitment on his portion of the financing. Regional Planning is going to put him in contact with people at Pittsburg State who could do a feasibility study on the marketability of the product. For the city to apply for a CDBG for any grants, 2 public hearings would need to be held. It was recommended the city clerk's office send letter to manufacturers inside the city informing them of the funds available through the CDBG program.

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ECOTECH TRIP:

Moved by Little, seconded by Jenkins to send two persons to Florida to look at the operations of the Municipal Solid Waste Disposal Plant at the Sumpter County Landfill and to bring back a report at a cost of \$778 air fair and \$100 expense money. Motion declared carried.

Nay: King

Moved by Stephenson, seconded by King to allow John Tipton and Bud Sills to make the Florida trip. Motion declared carried.

COURT REPORT:

Moved by Hayes, seconded by King to accept the court report with fines totaling \$1536. Motion declared carried.

Chief Collins stated that no burglaries had been reported in the month of December.

CITY LANDFILL:

Council members were provided a letter from Bill Towery from KDHE concerning his inspection of the landfill. It was discussed as to what action could be taken to control the disposal of items in the landfill. It was recommended that the city continue the project of having a city employee (other than a food stamp recipient) to monitor the landfill on Saturday mornings and the police department to monitor it during the week.

PAYROLL ORDINANCE 89-1:

Moved by Little, seconded by Byrd to approve Payroll Ordinance 89-1 in the amount of \$7472.38 plus \$561.14 FICA. Motion declared carried.

PAYROLL ORDINANCE 89-1A:

Moved by Hayes, seconded by Fitzer to approve Payroll Ordinance 89-1A in the amount of \$9284.53 plus \$697.28 FICA. Motion declared carried.

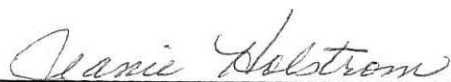
ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Jenkins to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Galena City Council. Motion declared carried.



Thomas Y. Allen, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jeanie Holstrom, City Clerk

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