

**MINUTES OF  
CITY COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING  
JANUARY 15, 2001**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting of the Galena City Commission was called to order on Monday January 15, 2001, at 6:00 P.M. in the commission chambers with mayor George Jackson presiding

**ROLL CALL:**

Roll call indicated the following commissioners present: LATURNER, OGLESBY, WEBSTER, BRANDENBURG, JACKSON.

**MINUTES:**

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by LaTurner to approve and place on file the minutes of the regular commission meeting of December 4, 2000, with the minutes **amended** to reflect the name change from **Jack LaTurner** to **Jack Murray** as city manager under Housing Board Appt. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by LaTurner to approve and place on file the minutes of the regular commission meeting of December 18, 2000. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by LaTurner to approve and place on file the minutes of the special commission meeting of December 21, 2000. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by LaTurner to place on file the minutes of the Galena Fire Dept. meeting of December 28, 2000.

**KCJCC GRANT: \$9000.00  
(Police Dept. Grant)**

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by LaTurner, authorizing the city treasurer and mayor to sign grant paperwork and to exempt the city from opening separate checking account for the grant funds. Motion declared carried.

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**TRIAD HOUSING:**

City Manager, Jack Murray stated he had met with Triad and Bill Shoemaker and reviewed plans & layout of the proposed development of the low-income housing. Triad plans to use some of the Shoemaker property in Southern Oaks Addition. Mr. Murray stated he wrote letters to Triad on utility rates, statement that water and sewer are available at about 18<sup>th</sup> and Southern Oaks Drive and 19<sup>th</sup> and Galena Ave., and commission commitment to waive building permit fees, a tax abatement, and limited utility hook up fees provided by resolution passed by the commission.

Lynn Hardman, Galena resident said she felt majority of tenants would be welfare people and could not see how the city would benefit if taxes were abated.

**RANSON HOUSING:**

City Manager, Jack Murray said this was primarily for first time homebuyers financing. 4% of total loan amount is given as grant to homebuyers for down payments and closing costs incurred. To qualify for this the housing must be located in an area within a county or city that has signed up for the participating program and Ranson Housing was requesting the city to sign a cooperation agreement with Sedgwick County, who is an issuer. Mr. Murray advised the city would not have any financial obligations under the agreement, any bonds would be issued by Sedgwick County.

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by LaTurner authorizing the execution of a cooperation agreement between the City of Galena, Kansas and Sedgwick County, Kansas. Motion declared carried

**WATER COMMITTEE:**

Commissioner Oglesby gave a short overview of the last water committee meeting. He stated they had a good productive meeting with the water wholesale district. He made the commission aware that the last remaining water rights were at our back door.

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**CITY SUPERINTENDENT  
RESIGNATION:**

City Manager, Jack Murray announced he had accepted city superintendent Mel Mittag's resignation effective January 26, 2001, stating he was taking a position out of town. The commission expressed thanks to city superintendent Mittag for his 13 years of hard work for the city. City Manager, Jack Murray also announced patrolman Jared Richmond had resigned and been gone about two weeks, so they had two positions to fill.

**WORK COMP INSURANCE:**

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by LaTurner to pay the 2001 work comp premium \$34, 467.00 out of Employee Benefits. Motion declared carried.

**APPR# 01-01:**

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by Brandenburg to approve Appr# 01-01 in the amount of \$47,573.80. Motion declared carried.

**LAGOON:**

Commissioner Webster asked how we were doing on our lagoon project. Jack Murray stated he had not been able to get a hold of Mr. Yeager the last three times he had called. He said he was going to keep calling and see if they could tell him where they were at on the project stating the city has had all the paperwork into them for two months.

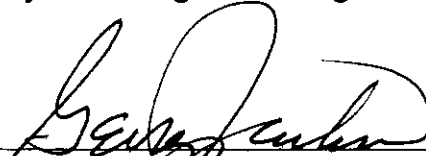
**MOBILE HOME  
MANUFACTURED HOMES:**

The commission stated they would like to revisit at the next meeting the mobile homes/manufactured homes ordinances recently changed at the next meeting.


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ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Brandenburg, seconded by LaTurner to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion declared carried.

  
George Jackson, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Deborah Kitch, City Clerk

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