MINUTES OF GALENA CITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1997

CALL TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Galena City Council was called to order, Tuesday, February 18, 1997 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers with Mayor Dale Oglesby presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call indicated the following councilmembers present: REYNOLDS, JENKINS, BELLAMY, ALLEN, ADAMS, ROGERS, SHRYOCK, PRICE. ABSENT: LITTLE, WARD.

MINUTES:

Motion was made by Price seconded by Jenkins to approve and place on file the minutes of the February 4, 1997 meeting after they are amended to include Allens statement that the Attorney Generals Office should be responsible for legal fees if they are found not to be guilty. Motion declared carried. 1 Nay: ROGERS.

Moved by Adams, seconded by Shryock to place on file the minutes of the Fire Department meeting of February 13, 1997. Motion declared carried.

PUBLIC HEARING P.D. GRANT: Mayor Oglesby declared the Public hearing on the Police Department Grant opened for questions. Chief Rowland advised the grant was a matching funds grant with the City contributing \$1500. and the Federal Government would provide \$13,500 for the purchase of equipment needed to update the Police Department.

Price inquired if the the equipment picked up in Ft. Riley and Salina was paid for out of the Grant. Rowland advised the equipment picked up in Ft. Riley was from DRMO and was considered free equipment and unrelated to this grant. Rowland advised approximately \$17,000 worth of equipment.

Price moved that the Council be provided with a list of equipment Chief Rowland picked up at Ft. Riley. Motion died for lack of second.

ECON. DEV. REVOLVING LOAN:Mayor Oglesby advised the council there was a need for a revolving loan committee because of an application for a loan the city had received.

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Mayor Oglesby presented the names of David Fuller, Jim Montee, Clyde Coleman, Dorothy Douffet and Jim Ray to sit on this committee. Moved by Jenkins, seconded by Adams the above persons be approved. Motion declared carried.

RR CROSSING UPGRADE:

Mayor Oglesby requested the council approve his signing of a railroad crossing upgrade contract with KDOT. Moved by Allen, seconded by Reynolds to allow the Mayor to sign the contract after the City Attorney has a chance to look it over and gives his approval. Motion declared carried.

KAY KAY:

Kay Kay addressed the Mayor about his letters in the paper and requested that he print a retraction. Mayor Oglesby advised the only correction may be as to whether or not she was standing directly behind Mr. Shryock and that from where he sat she was directly behind Mr. Shryock. Kay Kay requested clarification on who would pay the legal fees if the Attorney Generals Office were responsible. Mr Barrett advised it would be the taxpayers of the state rather than the city taxpayers for the legal fees of Mr. Allen, Mr. Ward, Mr. Rogers and Mr. Oglesby.

LILLIAN PRICE:

Ms. Price inquired of the City Attorney how many lawsuits he was representing the City on at this time? Mr. Barrett advised he had the one with the Attorney General. Price requested clarification of Mr. Barrett representing Allen, Ward, Oglesby and Rogers as their private attorneys in reference to their legal fees. Mr. Barrett advised he had offered to represent the City as a whole, individually, for one or all of the council members, and the matter of the legal fees is all part of the same suit. The judge had advised the 4 should not have been sued in the first place.

Ms. Price then inquired of Mayor Oglesby when did the Council vote for him to go the water committee meeting and tell them this council was anticipating buying a water treatment plant as was stated in the minutes in November or December. Discussion was held on the purchase of water from Baxter Springs, as opposed to looking at other options the city should consider for a back-up water plan for the City of Galena. Mayor Oglesby stated he had not committed the City

to anything at this time and that he knew he could not committ the city without council approval and that he had tried to make reports to the Council as they became available.

Tom Allen explained to the audience the creation of the Public Wholesale Water District from the beginning to the present.

JIM BASH:

Jim Bash requested the Council to meet in a closed meeting since his was a personnel problem.

Moved by Jenkins, seconded by Price to go into executive Session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel with Mr. Bash present. Motion declared carried. Council went into executive session at 7:50 P.M.

Council reconvened at 8:10. Motion was made by Rogers, seconded by Price to go back into executive session at 8:13 P.M. for another 15 minutes. Motion declared carried.

NEAL LITTLE ENTERED:

Neal Little entered the Meeting at 8:12 P.M.

Council Meeting was reopened at 8:28

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Dallas Reynolds advised the Personnel Committee had met earlier this evening and interviewed Gary Gebhardt for the position of Patrolman.

Mr. Reynolds moved to accept the resignation of Aloma Williams as Relief Dispatcher. Motion declared carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mayor Oglesby advised under Old Business since the City Attorney had checked with the Wage & Hour and it was ok for Melvin Turner to return to the Police Reserve status, he would submit his name as reserve officer.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Rogers to confirm Mayor Oglesbys recommendation to place Melvin Turner on as a Police Reserve. Motion declared carried. 3-abstains: BELLAMY, PRICE, ADAMS.

Moved by Jenkins, seconded by Shryock to continue the issue of Jim Bash until the next regular meeting. Motion declared carried.

CITY MGR. AD:

Tom Allen advised he had spoken with Mr Clawson in Columbus and was advised he did not have a degree in Public Accounting and did not know of any

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such degree. Moved by Allen that the word "Public" from the ad since there was no such degree. Motion died for a lack of second.

ORD. 97-6:

Moved by Little, seconded by Price to approve Ordinance 97-6 setting the wages as Police Dispatcher and Relief Dispatcher. Motion declared carried.

CITY CLERK/ASSISTANT:

Moved by Rogers, seconded by Shryock to switch positions in the city Clerks Office, which would move Debbie Kitch to City Clerk and Cheryl Haines to Assistant City Clerk. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION 97-2:

Moved by Rogers seconded by Adams to approve Resolution 97-2 designating the official signors of city financial documents. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Shryock, seconded by Reynolds to table the changing of Rayma back to Part time in the City Clerks Office until next month. Motion declared carried.

DRUG POLICY:

Moved by Price seconded by Adams to table the Drug Policy till the next meeting. Motion declared carried.

APPROPRIATIONS:

Moved by Rogers, seconded by Reynolds to approve Appropriations 97-2 in the amount of \$70,295.18. Motion declared carried. 2-NAYS: PRICE, LITTLE. 1-ABSTAIN: BELLAMY.

CDBG PAYMENT:

Moved by Allen, seconded by Jenkins to approve payment of CDBG drawdown in the amount of \$20,033.05 for the final payment after we receive a letter from the architect stating it is 100% complete and with the balance of \$8806.25 being retained until the closing of the grant. Motion declared carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Rogers, seconded by Shryock to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the City Council. Motion declared carried.

Dale Oglesby / Mayor

ATTEST:

Cheryl Haires, Acting City Clerk

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