MINUTES OF CITY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MARCH 6, 2000

The meeting of the Galena City Commission was called to order on Monday, March 6, 2000, at 6:00 P.M. in the commission chambers with Mayor Mark LaTurner presiding.

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

Motion made by Brandenburg, seconded by Oglesby to approve and place on file the minutes of the regular commission meeting of February 7, 2000. Motion declared carried.

Motion made by Brandenburg, seconded by Oglesby to approve and place on file the minutes of the special commission meeting of February 9, 2000. Motion declared carried.

Motion made by Brandenburg, seconded by Oglesby to approve and place on file the minutes of the special commission meeting of February 14, 2000. Motion declared carried.

Motion made by Brandenburg, seconded by Oglesby to approve and place on file the minutes of the regular commission meeting of February 21, 2000. Motion declared carried.

Motion made by Brandenburg, seconded by Oglesby to approve and place on file the minutes of the special commission meeting of February 23, 2000. Motion declared carried.

CALL TO ORDER:

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ROLL CALL:

MINUTES:

CITY MANAGER:

SUPPORT FOR POLICE DEPT.

GRANT FOR BULLET-PROOF VESTS FOR POLICE DEPT:

PURCHASE OF TRASH TRUCK:

MONOFIL:

Motion made by Brandenburg, seconded by Oglesby to place on file the minutes of the Galena Fire Dept. meeting February 24, 2000. Motion declared carried.

Mayor LaTurner welcomed aboard Jack Murray as City Manager stating he brought a lot of experience and knowledge about the city with him.

Mayor LaTurner expressed the commissions support for the Galena Police Dept. stating that the Police Dept. can not satisfactorily settle every squabble that takes place in the city and in every neighborhood. Mayor LaTurner stated it was nice that every citizen has the right in this country in a public manner to express their dissatisfaction with public officials.

Police officer Angie Sawyer addressed the commission on a grant from the Dept. of Justice to obtain bulletproof vests for the nine officers in the police dept., stating some of the vests in the police dept. were 10 to 15 years old. She stated the grant was a 50/50 grant. She stated there was a note on the funding limitations as with all grants they hope they have enough money set aside but there would be a possibility the city would have to fund a little more than the 50 percent.

Motion made by Jackson, seconded by Webster to purchase 9 bullet-proof vests at a cost of \$3,915.00 plus \$25.00 for shipping with the city to pay the portion not funded by the grant. Motion declared carried.

Tabled to a later date.

Motion made by Oglesby, seconded by Webster to purchase 700 sq. yards of geo-textile from Vance Bros. to cover the monofil out on Schmerhorn Rd. Motion declared carried.

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STREETLIGHT ON 17th & DEWEY:

CHANGE IN CITY WORK HOURS:

CITY SUPPORT OF REGIONAL STRATEGIC PLAN AND REGIONAL INCENTIVES: RESOLUTION 00-1

SIGNAL LIGHTS 7th & WATER SCHOOL CROSSING RESOLUTION 00-2; City Manager, Jack Murray advised the commission he had contacted Empire District to put a streetlight up at 17th & Dewey.

City Manager, Jack Murray advised there had been some discussion in changing the work hours by taking a 30 minute lunch hour instead of an hour, which would make the City Hall hours 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. rather than 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. and also cutting 30 minutes time off at the city barn. He stated the reason he bought this before the commission, he could take care of the city crew time, but there is an ordinance stating the city hall hours will be set by the governing body.

Motion made by Brandenburg, seconded by Webster to change city hall hours to 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Motion declared carried.

City Manager, Jack Murray asked for a resolution to be passed for the support of the qualifying regional strategic plan to re-approve Cherokee County as a Kansas enterprise Zone.

Motion made by Jackson, seconded by Brandenburg to pass Resolution 00-1 for the city,s support of the Regional Strategic Plan and Regional Incentives. Motion declared carried.

City Manager Jack Murray stated that originally the state would pay 90% and the city 10% for the cross lights, but this had been revised and the state would pay 100%. He requested a resolution for the mayor and city clerk to sign and execute the contract on behalf of the city of Galena.

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SOUTHERN OAKS ADDITION:

Motion made by Jackson, seconded by Brandenburg to pass Resolution 00-2 for the mayor and city clerk to sign and execute the contract from the state on behalf of the City of Galena. Motion declared carried.

Bill Shoemaker requested an update on the water and sewer lines in Southern Oaks Addition.

City Manager Jack Murray stated the application for construction permit is in and the plan specification have been in since the 25th of February and should receive something back shortly.

Jack Murray stated he thought they could go ahead and lay the lines for the first house.

WELLS EMPIRE DISTRICT STATE LINE ROAD:

Commissioner Dale Oglesby asked if we had any contact person or started any dialogue with Empire District with this water situation that may be developing on State line Road.

Mayor LaTurner asked if this was about the multiple wells.

Commissioner Oglesby stated as a city we should be concerned and express our concerns to Empire District.

Mayor LaTurner stated Empire District had came before the commission about 6 months ago and the commission had expressed their concerns. Empire District had advised they wanted to be a good neighbor, but needed the water.

Mayor LaTurner advised the city manager could be the contact person between the city and Empire District.

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ADJOURNMENT:

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

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ATTEST:

Deborah Kitch, City Clerk

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