

MINUTES OF
GALENA CITY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MAY 6, 1997

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Galena City commissioners was called to order on Tuesday May 6, 1997 at 7:00 P.M. in the commissioners chambers with Mayor Mark LaTurner presiding.

ROLL CALL: Roll call indicated the following commissioners present: LATURNER, COLEMAN, SHALLENBURGER.

MINUTES: Moved by Coleman, seconded by Shallenburger to approve and place on file the minutes of the April 15, 1997 meeting. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Shallenburger, seconded by Coleman to approve and place on file the minutes of the April 27, 1997 Special Meeting. Motion declared carried.

Moved by LaTurner, seconded by Shallenburger to place on file the minutes of the Galena Fire Department meeting of April 24, 1997. Motion declared carried.

LAGOON: Merchants & citizens of Galena questioned what was being done to handle the lagoon problems and what they could do to help the city with this problem. Mel Mittag advised they were close to having some aeration done, also were adding chemicals and within the next week they should be able to fire up the pumps and get some recirculation started. Mr. Mittag stated he hoped this would take care of the problem until a Grant could be obtained to dredge the Lagoon. Mayor LaTurner advised Mr. Jack Murray was in the process applying for a Grant.

Mr. Philip Fishburn, Midwest Assistance Program spoke to the the commission stating the city may be looking for funding from Rural Development for this aeration, but there has not been an official contact from the city indicating this is the way they want to go.

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Mr. Rowland with JOHN'S ITALIAN BAKERY stated he had been trying to sell his property but with the order from the lagoon was unsuccessful. Mr. Rowland stated he had recently had his business appraised and would like to approach the city to buy him out. Mayor LaTurner stated he was in no position to answer at this time on the buy out.

Mr. Murray stated dredging the lagoon would be an approximate cost of \$200,000.00.

Phillip Fishburn advised the city on any long term solution on the waste water plan KDHE would have to approve the plan before it could be put into effect.

Mayor LaTurner stated they would not pass the Lagoon problem on to the next commission elected, they would handle the problem.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE
PLANNING & ZONING
COMMISSION:

Jim Montee, Larry Courtney, C.T. Brandenburg, Donald Weston, David Holden, Steve Hall, Denise Titus, Larry Miller, and Lori Gabrielson were sworn in by the city clerk to form the Planning & Zoning Commission.

PUBLIC WHOLESALE WATER
DISTRICT:

Mr. George Jackson was appointed to represent the city on the Steering Committee of the PWWSD.

CITY WIDE WALK:

Judy Wittenmyer requested permission for a non-profit organization called Reach-um to have a city wide walk in Galena. Ms. Wittenmyer requested to use the city's concession stands and was advised by Mayor LaTurner she would have to contact the Fire Department since the stands belonged to them. Mayor LaTurner stated he saw no problem with a city wide walk, to set a date, plan a route, and inform the Galena Police Department.

SWIMMING PASSES:

Tammy Ryan of KROYLA KIDS day care center requested a family pass to be donated by the city to take to take children swimming. She stated these children were in need of social skills. Mayor LaTurner stated at this point he could not answer he would need to check with the pool manager and city manager.

MAIN LIFT STATION:

Moved by Shallenburger, seconded by Coleman to purchase a generator from

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Cummins Mid-America contingent upon Rural Development paying a portion of cost, with the city paying the full amount if Rural Development does not pay a portion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by LaTurner, seconded by Shallenburger to go into executive session for 12 minutes to discuss personnel matters with commission to reconvene at 8:30 P.M., with the city clerk to remain. Motion declared carried.

MEETING RECONVENED: Mayor LaTurner called meeting back to order at 8:30 P.M.

APPOINTMENT OF CITY MANAGER: Moved by LaTurner, seconded by Coleman to appoint Jack Murray as interim city manager. Motion declared carried. i

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by LaTurner, seconded by Shallenburger to go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel matters, with commission to reconvene at 8:55 P.M., with the Police of Chief to remain. Motion declared carried.

MEETING RECONVENED: Mayor LaTurner called meeting back to order 8:55 P.M.

SLOAN ROWLAND: Mr Rowland requested Chip Root be promoted to Assistant Chief. City Manager Jack Murray stated he would meet with Chief Rowland in the promotion of Chip Root to Assistant Chief.

CITY BUILDING INSPECTOR: Mayor LaTurner stated that Ken Harper was our city building inspector and wanted it stated that all properties that need condemned and all unsightly property be cleaned up and the commission would back Mr Harper completely.

REVOLVING LOAN:: Red Harris inquired about the status of the loan he was applying for from the city. Mayor LaTurner stated he was to meet with a representative of the state on the Revolving Loan and at this point could not give him an answer until they meet with the representative from the state.

AIR CONDITIONING: Clyde Coleman requested to get bids on fixing the air conditioning.

AFTER PROM: Moved by LaTurner, seconded by Shallenburger to donate \$250.00 for After Prom. Motion declared carried.

CITY MANAGER: David Shallenburger stated they had a committee to look over applicants and

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hopefully will have one hired by August.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Shallenburger, seconded by Coleman to adjourn the regular meeting of the Galena City Commissioners.

Mark G. LaTurner

Mark LaTurner, Mayor

ATTEST:

Deborah Kitch
Deborah Kitch, City Clerk

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