

MINUTES OF
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 16, 1989

CALL TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Galena was called to order, Tuesday, May 16, 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: Poelma, Hayes, Little, King, Byrd, Moran, Fitzer, Tipton, Miller,
ABSENT: Qualls

MINUTES:

Moved by Poelma, seconded by Hayes to approve and place on file the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 2, 1989. Motion declared carried.

SENIOR CITIZENS BOARD:

Moved by King, seconded by Fitzer to approve and place on file the minutes of the Senior Citizens Board Meeting of May 4, 1989. Motion declared carried.

PLANNING & ZONING:

Moved by Poelma, seconded by Hayes to approve and place on file the minutes of the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting of May 2, 1989. Motion declared carried.

TITUS MOBILE HOME:

Moved by King, seconded by Little to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission and allow the placement of a mobile home at 318 W. Empire by David and Denise Titus. Motion declared carried.

ROUND 2 CDBG FOR
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Allen opened the public hearing for the consideration by the city of applying for Round 2 of the CDBG Program for Economic Development.

Mr. Snyder of SuniWhite Flowers spoke on behalf of his company and requested that the city apply for a grant for his company. He recently opened the company in Galena and is transferring his flower arrangement process from Miami, Florida to the Galena plant. He is doing this because of the convenience of transportation in Galena. He would use the funds to erect a 10,000 square foot building, purchase the building he is currently leasing and purchase equipment. The balance would be used for working capital. He would employ an additional 20 people. These would be unskilled and would be trained to package the flowers and pack for shipping. He would also employ an additional 3 to 4 persons who would be skilled. The total project would be approximately \$260,000.

Nancy LeGrand of Rural Development Incorporated of Kansas, a Non-profit economic development corporation working out the University of Pittsburg spoke on behalf of SuniWhite Flowers. Her office has been working for approximately 1 year on finding a location for the Company and finding funding for the company. She stated they had the information necessary to complete the application.

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Mayor Allen stated that firms who had shown an interest in Round 1 of the grants had been contacted and notified of the public hearing. None of these companies were present for the hearing.

Mayor Allen asked for any further public comment. There being none, the public hearing was closed at 7:20 P.M.

SUNI WHITE FLOWERS:

Moved by King, seconded by Fitzer to consider an application by the city of a CDBG for Economic Development for SuniWhite Flowers. Motion declared carried.

Nancy LeGrand of Rural Development Inc of Kansas stated that her office had the necessary information to apply for this grant for the city. She stated she would be able to get the necessary matching funds in place if she were allowed to apply for the city's grant.

Moved by Fitzer, seconded by Miller to allow the Rural development Corporation of Kansas to complete the city's grant application for Round 2 of CDBG for Economic Development Program. Motion declared carried.

BLUE CROSS, BLUE SHIELD:

Judy Spalding of Blue Cross, Blue Shield presented the contract for the period beginning July 1, 1989. The family rates changed from \$141.26 per month per employee to \$206.82 per month. This raise was due to the number and amount of claims the city had from July 1, 1987 through March 31, 1989. She stated that premiums in the amount of \$72,706 had been paid over this period while claims for this same period totaled \$76,807.

There will be an increase of \$1.20 per person for the life insurance policy also.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Poelma to refer the health and life insurance to the insurance committee. Motion declared carried.

LIFT STATION SEAL:

Moved by Little, seconded by Fitzer to purchase a seal for the lift stations at a cost of \$269. Motion declared carried.

WEED EATERS:

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Hayes to purchase 2 Stihl Weed eaters from All Quip Rental at a cost of \$259.95 each. Motion declared carried.

EQUIPMENT RATE CHARGES:

Superintendent Sill stated he thought the rates the city was charging for the use of its equipment was too low. She stated that most construction companies were above the city's rate and therefore residents would let the city do their work rather than an outside contractor.

Moved by King, seconded by Poelma to set the following rates per hour for use of City equipment:

Loader	\$35.00
Backhoe	\$25.00
Dump truck	\$15.00
Man Hours	\$ 9.00

Motion declared carried.

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VACATION:

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Poelma to allow Bud Sills vacation from June 19th through June 23rd. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Poelma, seconded by King to allow Tony Foster one week pay in lieu of vacation. Motion declared carried.

OPEN SHAFT, FRONT & SHORT:

Moved by Little, seconded by King to notify the property owners of the shaft at Front & Short and request it be filled or fenced. Motion declared carried.

6TH & MAIN:

Moved by King, seconded by Poelma to notify the owner of the property at the Northwest corner of 6th & Main to repair this building and bring up to city code. Motion declared carried.

MUNICIPAL JUDGE CONFERENCE:

Moved by Little, seconded by Hayes to allow the municipal judge to attend the Municipal Judges Conference, June 7 through 10th and pay the registration and expenses. Motion declared carried.

GALENA LITTLE LEAGUE DONATION:

Moved by Fitzer, seconded by Little to donate \$300 to the Galena Little League. Motion declared carried.

Gates are to be installed at the alley East of the Little League Field to be closed during ball games.

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS:

Mayor Allen explained the new legislation concerning underground storage tanks. He also noted that the city was only saving approximately 1¢ per gallon by buying in bulk quantities.

Moved by King, seconded by Poelma to table this until the June 6th meeting. Motion declared carried.

City clerk was requested to send letters to all service stations in the city to see if they would be interested in the city purchasing from them.

REVOLVING LOAN COMMITTEE:

Moved by King, seconded by Poelma to approve the following persons to serve on the Revolving Loan Committee:

Lloyd Parkes
Connie Spears
Clyde Coleman
Jim Ray
Jerry Derfelt

Motion declared carried.

DOG POUND:

The fence at the dog pound had been cut again. The wire needs to be replaced.

Moved by Hayes, seconded by Fitzer to allow for the construction of a new fence at the city pound. Motion declared carried.

RURAL WATER DISTRICT B & W REALTY:

The Water Committee had met with the Rural Water Committee. There are not as many people who want water in the area southeast of the city as originally planned. Only 2 customers inside the city. The residences outside the city prefer to purchase from the Rural Water District. The city will service the customers inside the city and will sell to the Rural Water District for the customers outside the city.

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EMPIRE WELL:

The Water Committee recommends the Empire well be repaired at a cost of \$1300 to \$1500 and bring back into service to give relief to the main pump.

Moved by Little, seconded by Miller to repair the Empire Well and bring it back into the water system at an approximate cost of \$1500. Motion declared carried.

SUMMER EMPLOYEES:

The Personnel committee met on May 9 and 15th to interview applicants to work under the supervision of the city superintendent for the summer months. They recommend the hiring of Mark Bresse and Terry Griffith.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Poelma to accept the recommendation of the personnel committee and hire Mark Bresse and Terry Griffith to work at minimum wage on a temporary basis under the supervision of the City Superintendent. Motion declared carried.

JOPLIN GLOBE VAN:

Fitzer, as chairman of the fire committee, presented the city with the title to the 1985 GMC Van given to the City Fire Department to use as an emergency vehicle.

Moved by King, seconded by Tipton to accept the title for the 1985 GMC Van given to the City by the Joplin Globe Publishing Co. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Poelma to send letter thanking the Globe for this contribution. Motion declared carried.

HOUSING REPORT:

Mayor Allen read the report on the 3 properties below which had been requested by the council.

903 E 7TH:

Moved by Little, seconded by Poelma to adopt a Resolution of Condemnation on the property at 903 E. 7th and set a date for the hearing. Motion declared carried.

800 & 814 GALENA AVE:

Moved by Little, seconded by Poelma to send registered letters to the owners of record of the property at 800 Galena Ave. and 814 Galena Ave. allowing 7 days from receipt of the letter to clean the property or it will be cleaned by the city at the owner's expense. Motion declared carried.

ABSTAIN: King

1102 SHORT:

City Clerk was requested to send a letter to the owner of this property allowing 7 days to clean it.

NORTH DOOR:

Chief Collins reported the North Door of the City Hall had been repaired and would be locked at 10 P.M. in the future.

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
CLEAN UP DAYS:

A request was received for assistance in working along 7th Street and Main Street on May 20th and 27th to clean these streets before Galena Days.

MEETINGS:

Mayor Allen announced the meeting in Parsons for elected officials on May 25th. He also announced the SEK Coalition meeting at 5:45 prior to the Elected Officials Meeting.

The committee appointed to work with Baxter on a joint meeting requested the clerk's office get the name of a contact person from Baxter to work with.

The Council Workshop scheduled for May 23rd will be sometime the latter part of June due to High School Graduation on May 23.

SEWER PROJECT:

The sewer committee recommends work start on the repair of the lift station with CDBG funds and the repair of lines be delayed until the smoke testing is done.

FAMILY PASSES AT
SWIMMING POOL:

Moved by King, seconded by Fitzer to charge \$5 per child and \$10 per adult for passes to the city swimming pool and this would not include special swims. Motion declared carried.

TENNIS: COURT:

Miller recommended we see about the repair of the crack in the city tennis courts. It could cause an injury to a person playing tennis there. It was also recommended the city look into a walking track in this area. The Chamber of Commerce is working on this project.

DIVING BOARDS:

Moved by Fitzer, seconded by King to purchase a 14 ft diving board at a cost of \$1195 and a 10 ft diving board at a cost of \$709 including freight from United Industries. Motion declared carried.

CITY DUMP:

Each council member was given a copy of the letter received from Bill Towrey, of the Department of Health concerning the fire at the city landfill. Mayor Allen stated that the area had been bulldozed at a cost of \$200. It is still burning under the debris and dirt. You can feel the heat in this area. The road off 16th street is allowing people to dump on private property. Mayor Allen is setting up a schedule of what time of day the dump is used the most. The council might want to consider hiring 1 person for a limited number of hours each day and Saturday. The cost for the use of city equipment to cover the landfill each day was discussed. The raising of sanitation rates of 50¢ per month would generate approximately \$750. This could be used toward the man power needed to keep the dump open.

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Moved by Miller, seconded by Fitzer to allow the dump to be open on Saturdays and allow persons wishing to use it during the week to do so between 10 and 11 AM and 1 and 2 PM to be accompanied by a city employee. Motion declared carried.

NAY: King

Item to be in paper notifying the public of this and listing the items allowed to be placed there.

APPROPRIATIONS ORD 89-5:

Moved by King, seconded by Poelma to approve Appropriations Ordinance 89-5 in the amount of \$39,063.52 Motion declared carried.

PAYROLL ORDINANCE 89-11:

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Fitzer to approve Payroll Ordinance 89-11 in the amount of \$8534.24 plus \$640.96 FICA. Motion declared carried.

PAYROLL ORDINANCE 89-11A:

Moved by Poelma, seconded by Hayes to approve Payroll Ordinance 89-11A in the amount of \$8985.20 plus \$674.79 FICA. Motion declared carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Thomas Y. Allen

 Thomas Y. Allen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeanie Holstrom

 Jeanie Holstrom, City Clerk

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