

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, GALENA, KANSAS, JUNE 17, 1969

The City Council of Galena, Kansas, met in regular session June 17, 1969, within the council-room, at the city building, at 7 o'clock, p.m.

Present: Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Watkins, Bogle, Kaehler; a quorum was present.

Absent: Councilman Tackett; although he entered and took his seat at 7:07.

Presiding: Mayor Frank P. Dillon.

Also present: Supt. of Public Works, City Clerk Chesnutt, and approximately fifteen (15) members of the Volunteer Fire Department.

Invocation: Mayor Dillon.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Watkins, that the reading of the previous meeting minutes be dispensed with and placed on file as corrected by Marvin Kaehler to strike a motion lost for lack of a second. Motion carried by a show of hands.

Mayor Dillon read a recommendation from the Planning Commission to issue a trailer permit to Tessie L. Smith for a small trailer on West Front Street although the lot was under that which was required by the Zoning Ordinance. Mrs. Smith's application represented a hardship case due to her ill health which required nursing care, however, the Planning Commission suggested it be issued with the restriction that in the event of her demise or recovery of health whereby she would be able to care for herself then additional frontage would be required if a trailer remained at the address as a residence.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Noe, that a trailer permit be issued to Tessie L. Smith for parking a trailer on West Front with the restrictions recommended by the Planning Commission. Motion carried on roll call vote as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Watkins, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett; Nays - none.

At the request of Mayor Dillon, Kenneth Ashburn of the Volunteer Fire Department addressed the Governing Body. He informed the Council and Mayor of the department's activities and their recommendation for fire chief to be George Hansbraugh; assistant fire chief - Howard Litch; fire truck driver - Earnie E. McCorkle. Several other members of the Volunteer Fire Department entered into the discussion supporting remarks to Mr. Ashburn's presentation.

Councilman Kaehler moved, seconded by Councilman Sturgis, that the Mayor's appointment of George Hansbraugh as fire chief be accepted and placed on roll call vote. Motion carried as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Pittman, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett; Nays - Councilmen Brown, Noe, and Watkins.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Tackett, that the Mayor's appointment of Howard Litch as assistant fire chief be confirmed by roll call vote. Motion carried on roll call vote as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Pittman, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Watkins, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett; Nays - Councilman Brown.

Mayor Dillon appointed Earnie McCorkle as fire truck driver.

Councilman Tackett moved, seconded by Councilman Kaehler, that Earnie McCorkle's appointment be confirmed by roll call vote. Motion carried as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Martin, Kitch, Noe, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett; Nays - Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Sturgis, and Watkins.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Tackett, that the Mayor's appointment of John Allen as assistant fire truck driver be confirmed by roll call vote. Motion carried as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Watkins, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett. Nays - none.

Councilman Bogle reported to the Governing Body that the swimming pool had been closed for two days due to cold weather. Total admissions including season tickets totaled \$1,039.50.

Councilman Bogle moved, seconded by Councilman Pittman, that the swimming pool be closed Friday and additional painting with sand be placed on a 20'x15' strip from the dressing rooms to eliminate a hazard created by slick flooring. Motion carried on roll call vote as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Watkins, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Noe, that the water account under the name of Brad Munson be adjusted to an average bill as the sewer construction company had broken the subject's water lines and that the excess water charge be charged to Higginbotham Construction Company. Motion carried on roll call vote as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Watkins, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett; Nays - none.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Tackett, investigation and adjustment of an exceedingly high water reading incurred by Account No. 884, Mildred Webber, be left up to the determination of the Service Committee. On roll call the motion carried as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Watkins, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett; Nays - none.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Sturgis, that Account No 3, Marc's DX Service, be adjusted one-third (1/3) for the past two months due to leakage. Motion carried on roll call vote as follows: Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Watkins, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett; Nays - none.

Councilman Pittman introduced the following ordinance numbered 886 and entitled:

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO WATER METERS, THEIR CARE AND REPAIR

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Brown, that the foregoing ordinance be placed on roll call vote for adoption. Motion carried as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Watkins, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett; nays - none.

Councilman Tackett introduced the following ordinance numbered 887 and entitled:

AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO THE SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX OF THE CITY OF GALENA, KANSAS, DESIGNATING WHO MAY OPEN SAME.

Councilman Tackett moved, seconded by Councilman Watkins, that the foregoing ordinance numbered 887 be placed on roll call vote for adoption. On roll call the vote was as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Watkins, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett. Nays - none.

Councilman Sturgis moved, seconded by Councilman Pittman, that the city attorney notify the owners of the property located at Sixth and Bellevue, said lot being vacant and debris on same had become a nuisance. Motion carried as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Watkins, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett; Nays - none.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Watkins, that the city attorney be instructed to notify the owner, Lila Huffman, that the vacated buildings on East Eighth Street (next to Guy Brays, 919 East Eighth) that they should be torn down as they constituted a hazard. Motion carried on roll call vote as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Watkins, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett. Nays - none.

Councilman Kaehler asked whether or not notification had been forwarded to the owners of the property on Thirteenth Street - Lot 12, Geltz Addition. The city attorney informed the Governing Body that the notice would be forwarded in a very short time.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Tackett, that appropriation ordinance No. 582, an ordinance for making payment of certain claims. The meeting being public the ordinance was discussed and amended. On roll call the vote was as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Watkins, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett; Nays - none.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Brown, that additional signs not to exceed \$250 for streets be purchased whenever money became available for same. Motion carried on roll call vote as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Watkins, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett; Nays - none.

Councilman Brown moved, seconded by Councilman Pittman, that ten (10) gallons of white paint be purchased to straighten the line down Main Street. Motion carried as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Pittman, Brown, Martin, Kitch, Sturgis, Noe, Bogle, Kaehler, and Tackett; Nays - Councilman Watkins.

Councilman Bogle moved, seconded by Councilman Noe, that the Service Committee look into the cost of repair of a pump to be placed into the Empire Well and take whatever action necessary to maintain proper operation. Motion carried by a show of hands.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Watkins, that the meeting be adjourned until the next regular meeting. Motion carried by a standing vote.

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City Clerk