

MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, JULY 3, 1979

The governing body of the city of Galena, met in regular session, July 3, 7P.M., in the council chambers, with Mayor L. G. Williams presiding.

Eight council members were present; Smith, Faulkner, Hopkins, Kelley, Piercefield, Bailey, Hayes and Hall. Davies and Cure were absent.

The minutes of the June 19 meeting were amended to read " Bailey made motion to charge \$200.00 on sewer hook-ups, to all new construction and mobile homes where there is no T". Faulkner made motion to accept the ammended minutes. Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Mense, of Berrett and Cusack, accountants, addressed the council on the recently completed audit of city accounts. The completed audit has been filed with the State Division of Accountants. Mense stated the audit revealed inadequacies in the accounting system and informed the council of methods to correct same. He stated his belief that the accounting department was understaffed and needed another full time employee. He also stated that records had not been properly brought up to date since May 17, 1979.

In discussing the 1980 budget, Mense proposed a levy increase of two hundreths of one mill. The council was also informed by Mense, of a new liquor tax in Kansas, which , when allocated to the cities, must be used for three special programs. These programs are; Alcoholism, Special Liabilites, and Parks and Recreation. Monies received from this tax, must be equally allocated among the three funds and cannot be used for any other purpose.

Due to the heat and large attendance, Hall moved the council adjourn and reconvene in the Community Room. Hopkins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

When the governing body re-assembled, Piercefield moved we continue with the regular session. Hall seconded. Motion carried.

Piercefield moved that the matter of the budget be tabled until next meeting, to give the council members time to study the budget. Faulkner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Charles J. Robertson, Jr., brought before the council a request for a land grant in Industrial Park, to house a business to be engaged in complete overhaul service of Printing Machines. Mr. Robertson requested five acres, with an option on an additional three acres.

The council requested City Attorney Rowe to investigate methods used by other cities in extending land grants. At Rowe's request, Robertson said he would furnish the city with a financial statement.

Hopkins moved the Industrial Committee meet with Mr. Robertson and make recommendations to the council. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jim McCoy addressed the council and presented a progress report on the Senior Citizens Building. McCoy, commended the council on the building, but stated that there was a roof leakage problem. McCoy requested special entrance ramps for the handicapped. The council assured McCoy a handicapped entrance would be provided, and that the contractor would be liable for the roof.

Howard Jarvis presented the need for a new sewer drain at 507 Main. Jarvis estimated a need for 293 feet of 15" galvanized line. The council asked Jarvis if a 12" line of cheaper substance could be used.

Bailey made motion that Jarvis be permitted to install the drain, of pipe not to exceed \$4.00 per foot. Piercefield seconded the motion, and motion carried.

Ray Randall of Community Development, presented a request for permission and expense to attend a Nahro Seminar in Kansas City. Piercefield moved Randall be allowed expenses, not to exceed \$100.00 to attend the meeting. Kelley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Piercefield moved to allow two weeks vacation pay, in lieu of time off, to Carl Lewis. Hayes seconded and the motion carried.

On motion by Hayes, seconded by Piercefield, the council voted to allow Frank Bartmess one week vacation, starting July 1.

Councilman Bailey moved to allow Rex Gandy of the Water Department to purchase needed water fittings, not to exceed \$625.00. Hopkins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Piercefield moved that department heads pick up payroll checks, on Wednesday, following end of pay period, and distribute them to the employees. Faulkner seconded the motion. Motion carried, with one nay vote. (Hayes)

Mayor Williams presented a request of the Adventists Church, for use of the Community Room for a thirteen day Seminar in September. Piercefield moved to allow use of the room as requested. Hayes seconded. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams appointed committee of Hall, Hayes and Faulkner to make stipulations concerning use and care of the Community Room.

Councilman Smith of the Water Committee recommended the council increase the hook up fee on new water installations to \$200.00.

After discussion, Councilman Bailey made a motion to charge \$150.00 for any new water installation, plus \$50.00 extra, if any blackuop is broken. Piercefield seconded. Motion Carried.

Sandra Eaton of Galena Aluminum Company, requested clarification of the council on how much land the city awarded her in 1977, for business in Industrial Park. No legal discription was ever given. Mrs. Eaton asks for a deed to the property on which she plans to erect a 30' X 60' building, and employ four part time employees, other than family members.

Piercefield ~~moved~~ to give Mrs. Eaton a 30 day extention on option until the Industrial Committee can meet with Attorney Rowe and Mrs. Eaton, and make recommendations to the council. Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Piercefield made motion to allow purchase of \$175.00 in traffic tickets by the police department. Smith seconded and motion carried.

Councilman Piercefield made a motion that only authorized personnel to park in back of building, and that a space be reserved for Mr. Rowe, the city attorney. Faulkner seconded and motion carried.

Piercefield gave a report of \$1,684.00 in fines collected, \$65.00 paid to state, leaving a balance of \$1,619.00 for the city. Payment on fines and outstanding bonds, totaled \$1,333.00.

Councilman Piercefield commended the police department and made a motion that \$100.00 be taken from the police budget and contributed to the B.A.D. program.(Battle Against Drugs), for use in quelling drug traffic. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Williams presented the name of Eugene Porter as building inspector. Hall made motion that Porter be employed. Kelley seconded. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams read a letter of thanks from the Fire Department for

the city's co-operation in ~~in~~ Galena's 102 Birthday Celebration.

Williams read letters of resignation from Paul M. Duncan and Sam Landis. Smith moved the resignations be accepted. Piercefield seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Williams asked the Industrial Committee to investigate the possible purchase of 25 acres of land behind the city building, from Bill Shoemaker, at \$10,000.00.

Piercefield moved to allow use of the Community Room each Thursday from 9:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M., until the end of the year, to the Vocational Rehabilitation Organization, of Parsons. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

On motion by Hopkins, seconded by Piercefield, the council voted to allow \$5.00 per week to fire truck driver Monty Mattison, for uniforms. Payment would be retro-active to May 1, 1979.

Mrs. Linda Sanders, representing the girls softball groups, requested the council to fence the present field in the city park, and give the ladies authority over the field.

Hall made a motion the fence be purchased with C.D. funds, and the ladies have authority over the softball field. Piercefield seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Attorney Rowe brought attention of the council to the possible illegal action of permitting public facilities to be used for religious purposes. Hayes moved to have Mr. Rowe investigate and advise the council on this issue. Faulkner seconded. Motion carried.

Attorney Rowe notified the council that Attorney Bob White of Pittsburg, would be representing the city in the case of Castleberry versus Swanson. He also suggested the need for liability insurance coverage for the police department. Mr. Rowe recommended the city increase its liability to \$500,000.00.

An ordinance, covering nuisance ordinance violators and actions to be taken by the city in cleaning up nuisance property, was presented by Attorney Rowe.

Piercefield moved the ordinance, number 1002 be adopted. Faulkner seconded. Motion carried.

A nuisance ordinance based on open mine shafts was presented to the council by Mr. Rowe. Piercefield moved to change the reading in the ordinance, concerning fees, to read "\$35.00 per machine hour" and to amend Section 5 to read "earthly substances suitable to E.P.A., (Environmental Protection Agency) standards". Council confirmed, and Mr. Rowe was asked to re-write the ordinance.

Council members questioned the appropriation; namely Jack's Self Serve on Community Development, and two city appropriations, Dale's IGA and Halls Gas and Go.

Hall moved to accept the appropriations, deleting the above named firms. Piercefield seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. McCoy, private citizen, asked the council for a back stop for small children's playing field, and new benches in city Park. Hall suggested the Park Committee investigate the possibility of installing above named items.

Councilman Piercefield moved that Attorney Rowe be instructed to draw up an ordinance on police insurance. Faulkner seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Karen Robeson asked the council if CETA employees could assist in updating and repairing the playground equipment in City Park. The Business and Professional Women's Club would provide materials, if the city would furnish labor.

Piercefield made a motion to assist in this issue, of playground repair. Bailey seconded. Motion Carried.

Councilman Hopkins brought to the attention of the council,
the need for a new mower for use by the parks department.
No action was taken on this issue.

On motion by Piercefield, seconded by Hayes, the council
adjourned.



L. G. Williams, Mayor



Idella Vanderpool, Clerk