

MINUTES OF THE GALENA CITY COUNCIL, GALENA, KANSAS, JULY 16, 1968

The council of the city of Galena, Kansas, met in regular session in the council chamber at the city hall building at 7 o'clock, July 16, 1968.

Present: Councilmen Tackett, Bogle, Watkins, Barker, Cure, Martin, and Pittman.

Absent: Councilman Kitch, Kaehler, and Brown.

Presiding: Mayor Frank P. Dillon.

Also present: City Attorney Yount, Superintendent Barnes, and Clerk Chesnutt.

Invocation: Mayor Dillon.

Councilman Cure requested that the minutes of July 2, 1968, be corrected to read Councilman Kitch moved that the city clerk's office be closed from 12 o'clock to 1 o'clock in order that the city clerk might take her lunch hour and not "Councilman Cure moved, seconded by Councilman Kitch,"; Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Watkins, that further reading of the minutes be dispensed with and placed on file as approved as corrected. Motion carried by a show of hands.

Mayor Dillon presented Ira John Seasholtz, D.O., to the governing body. Dr. Seasholtz introduced plans of the firm of Galokee for building a 64-bed rest home at Eighth and Keller Avenue. He requested a letter of intent from the city to provide an 8" water line to the proposed site and adequate sewerage facilities in the near future. He further advised the Council that the State Health Department required an all-weather road leading to the rest home. The Governing Body entered into discussion with Dr. Seasholtz following which Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Watkins, that the governing body give a letter of intent for the requested 8" water line and needed sewerage facilities in the near future. On roll call the vote was as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Tackett, Kaehler, Bogle, Watkins, Barker, Cure, Martin, Brown, and Pittman. Nays - none. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Councilman Kaehler and Brown entered the council room during the discussion between Dr. Seasholtz and the Governing Body at large at 7:30 o'clock.

Mayor Dillon introduced Matt Mense, Barrett and Cusack, who in turn presented a proposed budget for the city for the fiscal year of 1969. Following examination and discussion of the proposed budget, Councilman Tackett moved, seconded by Councilman Watkins, that the Council approve for publication the budget for 1969 as prepared by Mr. Mense. On roll call the vote was as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Tackett, Kaehler, Bogle, Watkins, Barker, Cure, Martin, Brown, and Pittman. Nays - None. Mayor Dillon announced passage of the motion.

Mayor Dillon granted a ten-minute recess.

Mayor Dillon reconvened the meeting and read a letter from Joe Cook, Mayor of Columbus, Kansas, which invited members of the Governing Body to a 12 o'clock luncheon July 20, 1968, and asked that any member going inform the city clerk in order that the information be relayed to Mr. Cook's office.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Watkins, that the city of Galena enter into agreement with other cities in Cherokee County in cooperation of the various police departments in learning the methods under which the departments operated. Motion carried on roll call vote as

follows: Yeas - Councilman Tackett, Kaehler, Bogle, Watkins, Barker, Cure, Martin, Brown, and Pittman. Nays - None.

Following the reading of a written complaint by Mrs. Neal Menzie that she had incurred a high reading of gallons used during the preceding month due to a spud leak which was the responsibility of the Water Department and that she desired an average bill for the month, Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Watkins, that the adjustment of the complaint be left up to the Service Department. Motion carried by a show of hands.

Richard Scofield had entered a written request to the Street Department to pick up heavy rocks that he had taken from the ditch area, whereupon Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Watkins, that the matter be referred to the Service Committee for disposition. Motion carried by a show of hands.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Brown, that the city purchase a bookkeeping machine for \$5,665 from the National Cash Register as recommended by the Finance Committee when and if they determined that such purchase could be made. Motion carried on roll call vote as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Tackett, Watkins, Barker, Martin, Brown, and Pittman. Nays - Councilmen Kaehler, Bogle, and Cure.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Brown, that Mr. Largent's office (Empire District Electric Company) be contacted again and request permission to use the electric poles for school signal lights. Motion carried by a show of hands.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Watkins, that the city police department be given a key to the gate and gas pump at the pump station in order that they could receive gas when and if they needed gasoline. The motion was lost on roll call as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Watkins, Brown, and Pittman. Nays - Councilmen Tackett, Kaehler, Bogle, Barker, Cure, and Martin.

Councilman Watkins moved, seconded by Councilman Tackett, that the building inspector examine and report his findings on the property at 12th and Princeton formerly known as the "Saders" place and located on the north side of the street. Motion carried by a show of hands.

Councilman Cure moved, seconded by Councilman Brown, that the Safety Committee investigate and report their findings to the Governing Body at the next council meeting the necessary street signs, i.e., yield, no parking here to corner, within the city limits. Motion carried by a show of hands.

Councilman Pittman moved, seconded by Councilman Brown, that the State Highway Department be contacted to determine whether or not any state assistance was available on the required school signals to be erected on Seventh and South Main Streets and that the School Board of Galena also be contacted for this information. Motion carried by a show of hands.

Councilman Kaehler moved, seconded by Councilman Pittman, that the Joplin Special Road District be contacted to learn whether or not they would participate in improving the State Line Road as it was in a bad state of repair. Motion carried by a show of hands.

Councilman Watkins introduced Ordinance No. 553, an ordinance for payment of certain claims; the meeting being public the ordinance was discussed and amended to include payment of dirt @ \$36 as per council minutes July 2, 1968 from the Cemetery Department and one-week vacation pay to members of the Street Department recently laid off. On its third and final reading the ordinance was passed on roll call vote as follows: Yeas - Councilmen Tackett, Kaehler, Bogle, Watkins, Barker, Cure, Martin, Brown, and Pittman. Nays - None.

Councilman Watkins moved, seconded by Councilman Cure, that the city clerk request the Gas Service Company by letter to cover exposed

gas lines on the north side of Eleventh Street between Main and Joplin Streets and at Twentieth and Short Street. Motion carried by a show of hands.

Councilman Bogle moved, seconded by Councilman Cure, that the State Highway Department be contacted and informed of the large holes on the State Highway between Eleventh and Twelfth Street on the east side. Motion carried by a show of hands.

Councilman Watkins moved, seconded by Councilman Brown, that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried by a standing vote.

Mayor

Deety K. Glessett
City Clerk