

Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, July 17, 1979

The governing body of the City of Galena, met in regular session in the council room, with Mayor L. G. Williams presiding.

Council members present were Kelley, Faulkner, Cure, Smith, Hall, Hayes, Davies, Hopkins and Piercefield. Councilman Bailey was absent.

Councilman Piercefield made a motion to accept the minutes of the July 3rd meeting. Motion was seconded by Smith. Motion carried.

Bill Hall, representing the Fire Department, presented to the council tentative plans for building an addition to the fire station, along the west wall, to house two public rest rooms, and a storage room. The proposed addition would cost between three and five thousand dollars, to be paid for by the fireman. Hall also asked for approval to sponsor bingo games in the fire station, funds from which, would be used to replenish fire fighting equipment.

Piercefield moved the improvements be allowed, as presented. Hayes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Charles Robertson presented council members a drawing of his proposed building to house a printing machinery repair business, in Industrial Park. He asked for three acres at present time. Mr. Robertson presented a financial statement to city Attorney Rowe, who informed the council the statement seemed to be all right.

In answer to questions by council members, Mr. Robertson said he expected the business to be built in three to four months; would employ thirty to thirty-five people in about one year; would employ Galena people where possible; and the building would be of metal construction.

Councilman Davies moved to grant three acres to Mr. Robertson for the proposed business. Hopkins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams introduced Mrs. Marsha Ebaugh, a self employed consultant from Wichita, who addressed the council on small city pre-application funding. This is a program where small cities submit a pre-application detailed request for funds to be prorated by the Kansas City HUD office. Such requests are due October 1 to October 15. Mrs. Ebaugh stated that if a grant is issued, and a good job of spending it is presented to the HUD office, the grant will probably be renewed.

In answer to council questioning, Mrs. Ebaugh stated the money could be used for housing and rehabilitation, which has a No 1 priority; water, streets, or parks improvement; industrial development and other civic projects. It could be used for securing land or making industrial site improvements. The amount offered would be two million dollars, over a three year period, but no more than \$750,000. can be spent in any one year. The cost to the city would not exceed \$3,000. for preparation. Mrs. Ebaugh's fee is \$27.50 per hour; to cover time, experience, and transportation to and from Wichita. In response to questioning, Mrs. Ebaugh said if the application is denied, Mrs. Ebaugh's fee must be paid anyway. This fee could also be paid from C.D. Funds.

Discussion disclosed that a request for this type funding was made two years ago, and was not approved.

Councilman Davies, made a motion to table the funding issue until investigation can be made to determine why the city was denied Small City Funding, two years ago. Cure seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Hartley addressed the council on the subject of liability insurance and liability insurance for police officers.

Guaranty National Insurance Co., offered the best policy, which is subject to \$500,000. minimum. Rates on full time officers would be \$190.00 each, per year. Coverage can also be secured for reserves on arrest basis (those who have power to arrest) at \$95.00 each, per year. Total cost for the department would be \$2100. per year.

Each occurrence would pay up to \$300,000., annual aggregate claim would be \$500,000. Councilman asked if the city was liable for reserve officers. Mr. Hartly replied in the affirmative.

Davies moved to purchase the police officers insurance as presented. Piercefield seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Hartly asked the council to appoint some one to sign the proper application. Mayor Williams was appointed to sign application.

Mr. Hartly suggested the city increase the liability insurance from \$300,000. to \$500,000., on vehicles and premises.

Mayor Williams asked the police committee to review the police insurance, and make recommendation to the council.

Monty Mattison, of the fire department, advised the council of numerous problems in the phone and radio system.

Smith made a motion, seconded by Davies, that the Fire Committee meet with Mr. Mattison, or his designated representative, and work out a system satisfactory to police and fire departments. Motion carried.

Mike Hall moved to purchase four Humidifiers, 22 pint size, for the water department at a cost of \$174.60 each. Piercefield seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Allen asked the city to advertise for a fire truck driver, to replace Monty Mattison, who is resigning.

The council was advised that a desk copier machine, presented to the council for purchase by the former police chief, (purchase of which was denied) was still billed to the city. The machine was reportedly sent back to the supplier, National Marketing Association, by Mrs. George Delaney, then a voluntary dispatcher for the police department.

Councilman Davies made motion to have Attorney Rowe write Mrs. Delaney concerning the machine. Piercefield seconded. Motion carried.

Piercefield moved to allow the Street Department to purchase 2,000 gallon of road oil. Hopkins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Williams presented the need of a tractor lawn mower for the Parks department.

Councilman Cure commented on the deplorable condition of some of the water and street department equipment. Cure suggested a committee be formed to oversee equipment care and future purchases of equipment. No action was taken on this suggestion.

Hopkins made a motion to purchase a mower from Hedge Lawn and Leisure of Joplin, at the bid price of \$5,543.00, with \$1,000. to be taken from the Parks department, \$1000. from Swimming Pool, and the remaining amount out of revenue sharing. Cure seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams presented the need of repair at the swimming pool. Davies moved to have Park Committee meet with Works Director Jarvis, and make recommendations for immediate action. Motion carried.

On motion by Davies, seconded by Piercefield, the council approved the use of Schermerhorn Park for a benefit musical, on Sunday, July 22.

Chief Brown of the Police Department presented a request for new uniforms for 5 patrolman, 1 reserve, and two additional rain coats at an approximate cost of \$1100.00. Davies moved to allow purchase of the uniforms. Kelley seconded. Motion carried.

Chief Brown asked to council to consider bids on new radar unit. Piercefield moved to secure estimate of repair on old equipment. Hayes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ray Randall of Community Development, presented five house repair bids to the council for approval.

The bids are:

905 Elm Street,	J. R. Smith Construction Co.,	bid price \$7,200.00
403 West Empire,	Cherokee Construction Co.,	bid price 8,360.00
1101 Chicago,	Cherokee Construction Co.,	bid price 2,300.00
900 Euclid,	Cherokee Construction Co.,	bid price 8,375.00
423 W. 7th.,	J. R. Smith Construction	bid price 7,200.00

Councilman Hall asked Mrs. Eaton of Cherokee Construction if she could complete all three bids before fall. Mrs. Eaton said she had contacted two employment agencies and expected to hire a second crew and the work would be completed.

Hall made a motion to accept the C D committee's recommendation and approve the bids. Davies seconded. Motion carried.

A committee, assigned to make stipulations concerning use of the Community Room, and care of same, made the following recommendations.

1. A deposit of \$20.00 be made for use of the room.
\$15.00 deposit will be made for use of the kitchen.
If the room is left clean, the \$20.00 will be refunded. \$10.00 of the kitchen deposit will be refunded and \$5.00 will go into a kitchen fund to replace any kitchen items broken.

If the room and kitchen are not left clean, the \$30.00 will go into the General Fund.
2. It is the janitor's duties to clean the community room.
3. Check with City Clerk for use of the Room. If the day is open; let the people use the room. Let the City Clerk decide, and give permission to use the room. City Clerk will report to council who has used the room and any problems incurred.
4. It is up to the party using the room to set up the chairs and tables, and to replace them on caddies.
5. Room must be left clean to meet the janitor's inspection. If there is any discrepancy, a third party from the city clerk's office will then inspect the room.

Smith moved to accept the committee's recommendations. Piercefield seconded. Motion carried.

Smith presented the need of water meters for the water department. Piercefield made motion to purchase 12 new Model 25 Badger Meters, at a cost of \$32.64, each. Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried.

On motion by Hayes, seconded by Piercefield, one weeks vacation pay was approved for Rex Gandy, in lieu of time off.

Mayor Williams read the resignation of Charles Hampson from the Police Auxiliary. Davies moved to accept the resignation. Piercefield seconded, and motion carried.

Mayor Williams read a letter of resignation from City Treasurer, Hal Leonard, to become effective at first council meeting in August. (7th) On motion by Davies, seconded by Hall, the resignation was accepted

Mayor Williams named Smith, Hall and Kelley to form a committee to study the ordinance on building permits, and made recommended changes to the council.

Williams read the minutes of the July 16 meeting of the Zoning Commission, in which trailer permits were recommended for Sandra Eaton, and Ray Frazier, Jr., On motion by Davies, seconded by Piercefield, the permits were approved.

Davies moved the adoption of Payroll and Appropriation Ordinances number 79-16. Hopkins seconded the motion, and motion carried.

On motion by davies, seconded by Hopkins, the council meeting adjourned.



L. G. Williams, Mayor


Idella Vanderpool, City Clerk