

MINUTES OF
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 18, 1989

CALL TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Galena City Council was called to order, Tuesday, July 18, 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, Qualls, Byrd, Moran, Fitzner, Tipton, Miller
ABSENT: King

MINUTES:

Moved by Poelma, seconded by Miller to approve and place on file, the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of July 5, 1989.
Motion declared carried.
ABSTAINED: Qualls

SR CITIZENS BOARD:

Moved by Poelma, seconded by Little to approve and place on file the minutes of the Sr. Citizens Board Meeting of July 6, 1989.
Motion declared carried.

WALKING TRACK:

Anna Lee Alumbaugh and Myra Frazier, representatives of the Chamber of Commerce requested the council allow the installation of a walking track on the south side of Owl Branch in the city park. They stated that the Chamber would donate \$2000, and a city business man had pledged \$6000 toward the project. Lucky Miner is willing to donate bridge timbers at a cost of approximately \$600. The total cost including the above donations is \$10,705. The Chamber requested a donation of \$1000, labor to install steps and bridge and to haul brush and trees away after dozer work is done, cost of the survey, a water fountain, request that 10 street lights be installed with the city to pay the monthly billing of approximately \$75 per month, and to accept the general maintenance upon completion.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Qualls to proceed with implementing the walking track at the City Park and permit the chamber to start work and to allow the above request. Motion declared carried.
ABSTAIN: Poelma

GALENA BABE RUTH LEAGUE:

Robert and Alice Matthews, President and Treasurer of the Galena Babe Ruth League requested a donation from the city, the use of city bleachers, and the barricading of 9th & 10th Streets West of Wood during the Babe Ruth All Star Tournament July 20 through July 25.

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Qualls stated the bleachers were available through the fire department unless they had already been spoken for.

It was agreed, the city would barricade the two streets as requested and would transport the 4 bleachers needed to the high school ball park.

Moved by Fitzer, seconded by Poelma to allow a donation of \$300 to the Babe Ruth League, since this is the amount donated to the other leagues. Motion declared carried.

BUDGET:

Matt Mense of Mense, Churchwell and Mense answered questions concerning the 1990 Budget. He stated under the reappraisal law, this budget would be based on the dollar amount received instead of the levy. The budget must be published by August 4 and the last day for the hearings would be August 15.

Moved by Qualls, seconded by Little to publish the 1990 Budget as presented and to set the hearing date for August 15, 1989. Roll call vote:

AYES: Hayes, Little, Qualls, Byrd, Moran, Fitzer, Tipton, Miller.

NAYS: Poelma

Motion declared carried.

MENSE, MENSE, CHURCHWELL:

Moved by Little, seconded by Poelma to contract with Mense, Churchwell and Mense for the 1989 audit and the 1991 budget. Motion declared carried.

VACATION:

Moved by Poelma, seconded by Hayes to approve Charles Sweet vacation from July 24 through July 28. Motion declared carried.

DUMP TRUCK TIRES:

Moved by Hayes, seconded by Fitzer to allow the purchase of 2 dump truck tires at a cost not to exceed \$130 each. Motion declared carried.

SCHERMERHORN AND CITY PARK DOOR:

Moved by Poelma, seconded by Hayes to refer the purchase of the door for the chlorine room at the city pool and the restroom door at Schermerhorn Park to the City Superintendent to bring prices back to the August 1 meeting. Motion declared carried.

RUMMAGE SALE SIGNS:

City Superintendent stated he had received complaints concerning rummage sale signs being left up after the sale is over. He suggested the purchaser of a rummage sale permit be informed that all signs must be removed 24 hours after the final day of the sale, and a penalty be established for failure to do so.

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CONDEMNATION: 307 JOPLIN:
RESOLUTION 89-16:

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Qualls to request the City Attorney draw up an ordinance on the removal of rummage sale signs and the ordinance set a penalty of \$10 per sign for any not removed 24 hours after the final day of the sale. Motion declared carried.

City Inspector recommended the condemnation of 307 Joplin Street. He provided the council with his letter stating the reasons for the condemnation.

Moved by Fitzer, seconded by Poelma to approve Resolution 89-16 setting the hearing date for condemnation for September 5. Motion declared carried.

CONDEMNATION: 320 JOPLIN
RESOLUTION 89-17:

City Inspector recommended the condemnation of 320 Joplin. He provided the council with his letter stating the reasons for condemnation.

Moved by Fitzer, seconded by Poelma to approve Resolution 89-17 setting the condemnation hearing for September 5. Motion declared carried.

610 E. 4th;

City inspector has had problems with this property. The lumber which was stored for several days in the garage has been removed. The house is not to code yet. Mr. Lankford has not cooperated with the inspector concerning this property.

The city inspector also reported the property owned by Mr. Lankford at 117-119 West 1st which is under condemnation proceedings is being sold. The house is not yet brought to code.

PARK HOUSE:

City Inspector reported that interior work is ready to begin on the park house. He showed plans for a 3 bedroom house with living, bath, kitchen and utility room. He also stated the front door needs to be replaced.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Fitzer to allow the replacement of the main front door at the park caretaker house. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Miller, seconded by Poelma to allow the city inspector to set up floor plans for the interior of the house, allow the wiring of the house and obtain bids on a heating and air conditioning system. Motion declared carried.

Mayor Allen stated the city inspector had some used bathroom fixtures (Kohler brand) he had removed from his home when remodeling. The fixtures are cast iron and approximately 20 years old. They include an oval lavatory, stool and tub and would include faucets and drain. He would allow the city to purchase for \$100.

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Moved by Qualls, seconded by Poelma to purchase the preceding fixtures including faucets and drain at a cost of \$100. Motion declared carried.

117-119 WEST 1ST:

Discussion of this property was continued. The city had been very lenient in the length of time given for bringing the house to code.

Moved by Little, seconded by Fitzer to send letter to Wally Lankford notifying him the this house would be razed in 10 days. Motion declared carried.

FLAG POLE LIGHT:

Due to the growth of the tree in front of city hall, the light on the flag pole is being deterred. Chief Collins had been in contact with the city electrician and he stated the light could be moved.

Moved by Fitzer, seconded by Hayes to allow the moving of the light to properly display the flag. Motion declared carried.

GRANTS:

Since Chief Collins was unable to attend the meeting, Officer Allen stated he would discuss the grants at the August 1 meeting.

SPRING GROVE MOBILE HOME PARK
REQUEST FOR 4WAY STOP:

The manager of the Spring Grove Mobile Home Park requested a 4 way stop be installed inside the park where the extension of Joplin Street would cross the new street they put in to Main. Area residents use this as a short cut to Main Street. Since this is private property, the city would not have the authority to place the sign there nor to enforce it.

Moved by Miller, seconded by Poelma to offer one of the city's used signs with the park to provide the post and installation. Motion declared carried.

METROPOLITAN INSURANCE:

The insurance committee had met with representatives of Metropolitan Insurance Company concerning a life insurance plan for city employees through payroll deduction. Two of the current city employees have the plan through a previous sign up program. The program would be voluntary.

Moved by Qualls, seconded by Poelma to allow Metropolitan Insurance to explain the plan and sign up city employees who desire to purchase the plan. Motion declared carried.

NORTH MURPHY STREET:

Richard Girton requested assistance from the council concerning the north end of Murphy Street at the North City Limits. He stated the street had not been used and had grown up in brush. He had attempted to keep the area mowed, but a neighbor had placed telephone poles in this area preventing the cleaning of the street.

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Moved by Qualls, seconded by Little to allow the city crew to clean up Murphy Street at the North City Limits. Motion declared carried.

HOUSING CODE AND REVISIONS:

Mayor Allen stated that additional work was needed on these ordinances and would be postponed to a future meeting.

VACATION:

Moved by Hayes, seconded by Poelma to approve vacation for Cheryl Haines from August 9 through August 11. Motion declared carried.

10TH & WALL:

Mayor Allen read a letter received from Ira Kelley complimenting the city crew on the work done at 10th and Wall.

PARK CARETAKER:

The personnel committee had met concerning the clarification of the position of the city on the paying of rent and utilities for the park caretaker until he moves into the park house. The personnel committee did not feel the city had a commitment to pay these and recommended that no rent or utilities be paid until the park caretaker house is complete.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Poelma to accept the personell committee report and recommendation. Motion declared carried.

AMBULANCE BARN:

The Health and Housing Committee had met with the Ambulance Board. They discussed the condition of the current ambulance barn and of locations for the new barn. Suggestions consisted of possibly leasing the telephone company building at 6th & Joplin. It currently has the necessary bays and could be converted to be usable on a temporary basis. Other suggestions were the pole barn used by the fire department and possibly combining the use of the fire department with the ambulance service. Representative Shallenburger and Senator Martin are going to see if any grants are available for this use. The total cost would be approximately \$69,000.

Mayor Allen stated the city had approved \$5000 toward the matching funds had the CDBG been approved. He asked if the council wished to reaffirm this amount toward other methods of obtaining a new facility.

Moved by Fitzner, seconded by Poelma to reaffirm the \$5000 committment toward an ambulance barn. Motion declared carried.

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4 WAY STOP SIGN STORAGE:

A complaint had been received concerning the 4 way stop sign stored at 7th and Main. Persons are discarding bottles and trash in the base of the sign and it is a problem for the property owner to keep the area clean. They also requested the barrel there be moved.

The city superintendent stated he would place the sign in another storage area.

STREET LIGHTS:

The street committee had met concerning the requests for street lights at Empire and Henning, 15th & Main, and behind the Local Housing where Dewey access road is. The committee recommends these lights be installed.

Moved by Miller, seconded by Poelma to install the following street lights:

Empire & Henning

15th & Main

West side of Local Housing

Motion declared carried.

TRI STATE RECYCLING & TRANSFER:

The industrial committee had met concerning the company establishing a recycling center in Galena. The company had not set a time to meet with the committee so no recommendation is made.

10TH & WALL:

A complaint had been received concerning the dip where work had been done on the street at 10th & Wall. City Superintendent stated he knew this was a problem and had plans to apply more asphalt in the dip when weather permits.

SPECIAL MEETING:

Tuesday, August 8 at 7:00 P.M. was set to have a work session on the City Code.

ACCIDENT FREE MONTH:

Officer Wade stated that no accidents had been reported in the city between June 13 and July 14. This is very unusual.

19TH & SHORT:

The city has been asked to cut the brush at 19th & Short. The view of traffic is blocked. It was suggested the city superintendent get the cost of a side mount cutter to be considered as a future purchase.

FHA MEETING:

Mayor Allen announced a pre application conference would be held in the council chambers on Wednesday July 19 with FHA, city engineer and the sewer committee.

BAZZANO ENTRANCE:

A request to have the tree removed on the West of Lee's Flowers so traffic is visible off 7th Street.

STREET REPAIR:

City Superintendent met with Bob Sinclair concerning the repair of the streets or alley's after the gas company had made repairs. The gas company is willing to work with the city and make the repairs to the city's satisfaction. The alley behind the telephone company office had been torn out

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in the early 1970's.

Moved by Little, seconded by Miller to allow the city crew to repair the alley East of Main at 6th Street. Motion declared carried.
NAYS: Poelma, Hayes

APPROPRIATIONS 89-7:

Moved by Poelma, seconded by Qualls to approve Appropriations Ordinance 89-7 in the amount of \$87,564.99. Motion declared carried.

PAYROLL ORDINANCE 89-16:

Moved by Qualls, seconded by Poelma to approve Payroll Ordinance 89-16 in the amount of \$8204.82 plus \$616.19 FICA. Motion declared carried.

PAYROLL ORDINANCE 89-16A:

Moved by Qualls, seconded by Poelma to approve Payroll Ordinance 89-16A in the amount of \$9107.54 plus \$682.99 FICA. Motion declared carried.


ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Qualls, seconded by Little to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Galena City Council. Motion declared carried.



Thomas Y. Allen, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jeanie Holstrom, City Clerk

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