

BUDGET HEARING , AUGUST 7, 1979

AN OPEN MEETING WAS HELD ON AUGUST 7, 1979, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, TO HEAR PROTESTS AND SUGGESTIONS ON THE 1980 PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF GALENA.

MAYOR L. G. WILLIAMS PRESIDED, AND ANNOUNCED THAT THE INCREASE IN THE TAX LEVY WAS TWO HUNDREDS OF ONE MILL.

DISCUSSION WAS BASED ON THE AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX, NO FUND WARRANTS, POSSIBLE ALLOWANCE FOR INCREASED SALARIES, AND THE POLICE BUDGET.

FOLLOWING THE BUDGET HEARING, THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WAS HELD.


Idella Vanderpool, City Clerk

MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, AUGUST 7, 1979

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

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

Minutes of the July 17 regular meeting and two special meetings, July 31, and August 2, were approved by the council.

Mr. Harry Robeson addressed the council, requesting payment in the amount of \$1514.34, for materials used on four HUD rehab projects. The materials were purchased from M. Robeson Lumber Company by contractor Don Martin, over a period from 12-30-77, to 4-28-79. No release was secured from Robeson by the former C.D. Director before paying off the contractor. Said contractor immediately left town without paying the bill.

Discussion followed on the city's responsibility in the case. Attorney Rowe, advised the council that Martin could be prosecuted on charges of fraud. Piercefield moved the CD office pay Mr. Robeson the \$1514.34. Kelley seconded and motion carried.

Hall made a motion to have the city attorney take whatever action necessary to collect from Martin. Hayes seconded, and motion carried.

Williams presented a letter from the Department of Transportation, offering to reimburse the city \$1250. per lane mile, if the city maintained the state highways within the city.

Piercefield moved we leave the highways in charge of the State. Bailey seconded. Motion carried.

Williams presented a statement from Overhead Door Company of Pittsburg, covering repair of a door at fire station. Piercefield moved we pay the invoice. Faulkner seconded and the motion carried.

Councilman Kelley, representing the building committee, made the following recommendations to the council for changes in issuance of building permits.

- 1- Raise minimum dollar value from \$100.00 to \$300.00.
- 2- Exempt the following;
 - a - roofing ones own house
 - b - painting one's own house
 - c - insulation
 - d - storm windows
 - e - outbuildings exempt under \$500.00 value. This does not include attached garages.
 - f - fencing of one's own property
 - g - curb and guttering (in future)
 - h - HUD building permits to remain as they are (contractor buying the permits.)
 - i - Industrail building permits on Zodiac and American Carbide
- 3- The building permit fee to remain \$3.00 per \$1000. valuation.

On motion by Kelley, seconded by Piercefield, the council approved the above recommendations.

Piercefield, representing the police committee, made a motion to leave the police insurance as is, \$300.000. Smith seconded, and motion carried.

Cure, representing the Parks committee, listed numerous needed repairs to the swimming pool. The clorinator which was injurious to health, has already been repaired.

Williams commended the committee on the extensive research of the pool condition. Piercefield moved a copy of the repair needs be given to Mr. Jarvis, works director, and work to be done as soon as time and money are available. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Williams discussed the hiring and firing of personnel at the city pool. One life guard was not doing her duty and the manager of the pool had requested permission to dismiss her.

On motion by Piercefield, seconded by Hayes the council voted to give the pool manager authority over every employee at the pool.

Williams appointed Cure, Bailey and Hall to meet with the Library Board and make recommendations to the council concerning their request for additional lighting of parking lot; entrance markers at the driveway; and a sidewalk along Seventh Street for convenience of Library patrons.

On motion by Piercefield, seconded by Bailey, the council approved the installation of a street light at 209 East 3rd., Street.

Works director Jarvis presented the need of repair and paint on the city water reservoir. Piercefield moved to allow Jarvis to purchase the 20 to 30 gallon needed, to paint the reservoir. Cure seconded. Motion carried.

C.D. Director, Randall, read a letter from Marsha J. Ebaugh, stating that Small Cities funding for 1978 was not approved because of other cities having higher ratings. Her letter stated that the 1978 application was not designed well enough to compete successfully with other preapplications. Randall stated the C D Committee felt it would be well to hire Mrs. Ebaugh to prepare the 1979 preapplication for Small Cities Funding.

On motion by Faulkner, seconded by Smith, the council voted to employ Mrs. Ebaugh.

On motion by Smith, seconded by Piercefield, the council voted to pay the final payment of \$1,421.25, to C.B. Simmons for professional services on the No. 4 deep well pump.

On motion by Hayes, seconded by Faulkner, one week's pay in lieu of vacation was approved for Howard Jarvis.

Council members discussed the possibility of consulting other engineers for city work. Mayor Williams asked the street committee to check into this matter and report to the council, their findings.

Piercefield representing the police committee, reported \$2877.00, collected in fines during July.

On motion by Piercefield, seconded by Kelley, the council voted to increase to \$500., the maximum fines for disorderly conduct and malicious mischief, to coincide with State law; and to raise the property evaluation for petty larceny to \$100.00.

Hayes made a motion that only three keys be issued on the gasoline pump, and that signed and dated withdrawal slips be kept on each withdrawal. Piercefield seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Williams commented on Fire Department filling swimming pools, with fire fighting equipment. Discussion followed on the advisability of equipment being used for this purpose.

Smith made a motion people pay for their water. No action was taken.

During discussion, Attorney Rowe advised that it may not be legal to fill pools with fire fighting equipment.

Smith made a motion we abide by the state laws and the people pay for their water. Piercefield seconded the motion. Motion carried, with two nay votes. (Bailey and Kelley)

On motion by Bailey, seconded by Cure, the council approved the purchase of the following items by works director Jarvis. 560', 2" PVC, schedule 200, at 31.51 per ft.; 460', 4" PVC, schedule 200, 1.02 per ft.; \$4.00 on 12" reinforced concrete, from Morris Co., in Joplin, for use at 507 Main. Five trash containers were also allowed.

On motion by Smith, seconded by Hall, the council voted to waive admission fee for a swimming party, at the city pool, for the girls softball teams.

Williams requested the street committee contact the State Highway Department concerning specifications for installation of new lights at 7th and Main.

The payroll and appropriations ordinances No 79-18 were approved after deleting two city appropriations, E.A. Martin Machinery and Bazzano Clinic. Motion to approve same was made by Smith, seconded by Bailey.

Mayor Williams submitted the name of Susan DeGraff, for appointment as City Treasurer. Piercefield moved Miss DeGraff be employed. Cure seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Piercefield made a motion that in compliance with state law, each department head list all equipment and supplies, in excess of \$200. valuation. Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Piercefield moved that the drive in window of the water department, be closed following the fifteenth of each month and all customers pay in front office. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried with one nay vote. (Hall)

Williams asked council approval of drawing up a city ordinance limiting rummage sales. Piercefield moved an ordinance be drafted limiting organizations or households to three sales per year, each sale not to exceed three days duration. A rummage permit should be secured from the city clerk's office and a fee of \$1.00 be charged, per sale. Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bailey moved to appoint Robert Porter as city code enforcement officer. Cure seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams presented the names of Rev. Robert Thomas and Velma Stewart as applicants for school crossing guards. On motion by Bailey, seconded by Cure, both applicants were accepted.

Fayette Rowe, city attorney, asked concil to approve Mr. Menghini of Pittsburg, as Rowe's consultant on the Duncan versus City of Galena case. Faulkner made motion to allow Mr. Rowe to consult with Mr. Menghini. Kelley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Rowe presented the council an ordinance concerning abandoned mine shafts, dangerous to the safty of persons and domestic animals. The ordinance, number 1003, was approved by vote of the council.

On motion by Bailey, seconded by Hayes, the council meeting adjourned.



L. G. Williams, Mayor



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