

MINUTES OF  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
AUGUST 21, 1990

CALL TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Galena City Council was called to order Tuesday, August 21, 1990, 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, WATKINS, MORAN, FITZER, TIPTION, MILLER.  
ABSENT: QUALLS, KING, BYRD

MINUTES:

Moved by Poelma, seconded by Tipton to approve and place on file the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of August 7, 1990. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Poelma, seconded by Miller to place on file the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of August 14, 1990. Motion declared carried. These were not approved since a quorum was not present at the August 14, 1990 special meeting.  
ABSTAIN: Fitzer

PLANNING & ZONING:

Moved by Poelma, seconded by Tipton to place minutes of Planning & Zoning Commission meeting, June 5, 1990 meeting on file. Motion declared carried.

CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE:

Clyde Coleman, president of the Chamber of Commerce reported on the success of the city wide garage sale. From the reports he has received, the sale produced in excess of \$45,000 in garage sales. Restaurants, drive-ins and food service had the best day on record. The revenue was in excess of \$25,000 for businesses. Most merchants were not prepared for the number of people in the city. He thanked the council for their support and complimented the city clerk's office for their assistance. He thanked the police department for help also.

BYRD ENTERED 7:07 p.m.

PECO DRIVE:

A resident of Dewey St. related an incident on Peco Drive. She said many women on that street are frightened. She stated others in that area were afraid to come to the council with her for fear of repercussions from the persons living on Peco Drive. She asked what the people living in that area could do as concerned citizens. Prowling usually starts on Thursday night and goes through Sunday night.

Chief Collins stated there were no more problems in Galena than any other towns. He said people come to Cherokee County because of the welfare program and Columbus refers them to Galena because of the cheap rent. He said she could start a petition to clean up the sub rentals. Larger cities have passed ordinances and building codes and have forced these landlords out.

City Inspector is also upset about the residents on Peco Drive. One of the trailers will be

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closed due to the overcrowding. A general discussion of the condemnation procedures was held.

1823 GALENA AVE:

Mayor Allen opened the condemnation hearing on the structure at 1823 Galena Ave. City Inspector reported American National Bank is in the process of putting the property in the bank's name. The owner's have skipped. He stated it would take about 60 days for them to obtain ownership. Work cannot be started until then. City Inspector agreed to board up the structure so children cannot enter it. The bank is keeping the grass mowed. It was suggested the area be fenced.

Moved by Watkins, seconded by Miller to approve Resolution 90-20 allowing 60 days for repairs on the structure at 1823 Galena Ave. Motion declared carried.

FITZER LEFT 7:45 P.M.

BUREAU OF MINES:

David Veith and Mike Norland of Bureau of Mines gave a slide presentation on the work being done on the plots Northwest of the fire department. They stated they had excellent cooperation from the city. They invited the council members to come out and view the plots on Wednesday and Thursday. They stated the purpose of this project is to obtain information on erosion condition, ground water and etc. They are working with EPA to revise a revegetation plan to use to revegetate the area after EPA completes their project.

BACK HOE REPAIR:

Moved by Hayes, seconded by Poelma to purchase a cutting edge for the back hoe at a cost of \$308. Motion declared carried.

BUILDING SECURITY:

Chief Collins demonstrated a motion camera which could be used in the building. With this, all lights could be turned out at night. It would also indicate on a panel in the dispatchers office where persons are. The pros and cons of this system compared to the monitoring cameras were discussed. The cost of this system is \$800. No action was taken.

JAIL INSPECTION:

Chief Collins reported the jail inspection was completed. Two items did not pass. They were (1) no detoxification cell and (2) no documentation that the dispatchers know how to detect mentally impaired persons. Chief Collins said he plans to use the Friendship House for their training. He said the council can be very proud of this inspection.

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1990 AUDIT BIDS:

Mayor Allen reported on the bids for the 1990 audit and 1992 budget received in the city clerk's office. They were as follows:

Eugene M. Mense, \$2995, audit \$500, budget  
Oler, Casey & Dennett \$3000, audit, \$650, budget

Moved by Hayes, seconded by Watkins to retain the firm of Eugene M. Mense for the 1990 audit and 1992 budget. Motion declared carried.

LEAGUE CONFERENCE:

Mayor Allen announced the League Conference. He stated the information was in the clerk's office if anyone wished to attend.

1991 BUDGET:

Mayor Allen announced the hearing for the 1991 budget was held on August 14. There was not a quorum at the hearing so the budget had not be accepted.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Tipton to approve the 1991 budget as proposed. Motion declared carried.

MUNICIPAL COURT CLERK  
CONFERENCE:

Moved by watkins, seconded by Miller to approve the expense of Nadine Smallwood to attend the Kansas Association of Municipal Management Conference in Wichita on October 4 and 5th. Motion declared carried.

COUNCILMAN QUALLS  
RESIGNATION:

Mayor Allen read the resignation of Kurtis Qualls as council person from the 3rd Ward. He stated he was resigning due to a conflicting work schedule which would prevent his attendance at the council meetings on a regular basis.

Moved by Watkins, seconded by Hayes to accept the resignation of Kurtis Qualls as council person from the 3rd Ward. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Watkins, seconded by Hayes to advertise for a replacement for Council person Qualls. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Watkins to present a plaque to Mr. Qualls for service to the city. Motion declared carried.

CENTRAL PURCHASING:

The administrative committee met August 14 at 1:30 P.M. to discuss central purchasing and job description. The Assistant City Clerk, Cheryl Haines, will serve as purchasing agent. The committee will meet at 1:30 p.m. on Mondays with her.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Poelma to accept and place on file this report. Motion declared carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The administrative committee met August 20 on purchasing and to discuss an incident at the city swimming pool.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Watkins to enter into executive session with the city attorney and city clerk remaining to discuss personnel. Motion declared carried.

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ENTERED EXECUTIVE SESSION 8:45 P.M. REOPENED  
REGULAR SESSION 9:00 P.M.

SWIMMING POOL MANAGER:

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Tipton to terminate Cathryn Ezell as swimming pool manager. Motion declared carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: POELMA, HAYES, WATKING, BYRD, MORAN, TIPTON

ABSTAIN: MILLER

RECESS:

Moved by Poelma, seconded by Watkins to recess for 10 minutes. Motion declared carried.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call following the 10 minutes recess indicated the following council members present; POELMA, HAYES, WATKINS, BYRD, MORAN, TIPTON MILLER

ABSENT: QUALLS, KING, FITZER

SWIMMING POOL MANAGER:

Cindy Fitzer was called during the recess. She was offered the position of swimming pool manager for the remainder of the season.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Miller to open the pool two weekends and through the week, contingent on the acceptance by Ms Fitzer as manager and if she does not accept, close the pool effective tonight.

Motion and second withdrawn.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Miller to approve Ms Cindy Fitzer as swimming pool manager for the remainder of the season and upon her acceptance, and be open only with adequate number of life guards on duty, high dive stand bolt is covered, the sliding board is repaired, and if Ms Fitzer does not accept, the pool to close and be drained. Motion declared carried.

TURLEY PROJECT:

The community development committee met with Jim Turley. The city owns 12 acres in the northeast part of the city. Mr. Turley asked to lease this property with the option to buy for the construction of a green house. A minimum of two employees would be hired to begin, with up to 50 seasonal employees. This report for information only, with no action taken.

Moved by Tipton, seconded by Poelme to accept the minutes of the Community Development Committee. Motion declared carried.

It was reported car bodies and debris are being hauled on this city property.

1218 ELM:

Weeds and grass are high on this property.

22ND STREET BLACKTOPPING:

Superintendent Sills reported blacktopping should begin Monday on 22nd Street.

TRI STATE RECYCLING:

The opening date for Tri State Recycling has been set for September 15.

CENTRAL PURCHASING:

Central purchasing was discussed in regard to the fire department. Miller stated he would hate to see the loss of volunteers because of this plan.

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Watkins stated the firemen picked up items needed on their own time. He asked if using city employees to pick these items would be a savings.

Mayor Allen asked if the volunteer firemen could not continue to pick up items ordered through central purchasing.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Poelma to continue with the agenda. Motion declared carried.  
NAY: Watkins, Miller

APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE  
90-8:

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Miller to approve Appropriations Ordinance 90-8 in the amount of \$86,954.41. Motion declared carried.  
NAY: Watkins

PAYROLL ORDINANCE  
90-19:

Moved by Poelma, seconded by Tipton to approve Payroll Ordinance 90-19 in the amount of \$8651.08 plus \$661.80 FICA. Motion declared carried.

PAYROLL ORDINANCE  
90-19A:

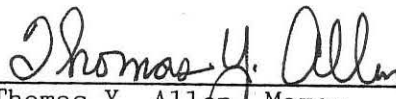
Moved by Poelma, seconded by Miller to approve Payroll Ordinance 90-18A in the amount of \$9942.91 plus \$760.62 FICA. Motion declared carried.

PAYROLL ORDINANCE  
90-19B:

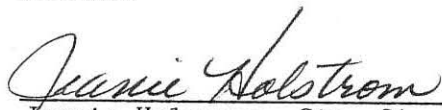
Moved by Miller, seconded by Poelma to approve Payroll Ordinance 90-19B in the amount of \$121.60 plus \$9.30 FICA. Motion declared carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

  
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Thomas Y. Allen, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Jeanie Holstrom, City Clerk

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