

MINUTES OF
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 6, 1990

CALL TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Galena City Council was called to order Tuesday, November 6, 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, KING, BYRD, FITZER, TIPTON, MILLER.
ABSENT: HAYES, WATKINS, MORAN

MINUTES:

Moved by King, seconded by Poelma to approve and place on file, the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 16, 1990. Motion declared carried.

Moved by King, seconded by Miller to approve and place on file the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of October 30, 1990. Motion declared carried.

ABSTAIN: FITZER, POELMA

SR. CITIZENS BOARD:

Moved by Poelma, seconded by Miller to approve and place on file the minutes of the Sr. Citizens Board of September 6, 1990. Motion declared carried.

ANIMAL CONTROL:

Cecilia McCool addressed the council and requested an ordinance be passed requiring $\frac{1}{4}$ acre of land per animal for persons keeping horses within the city limits. She also requested the property owner be required to clean the area weekly. She requested the alley south of Empire Street and West of Columbus be reopened. This alley is used for utility easement and fire control.

Gene Porter stated a letter had been sent to the owner of the horses requesting the area be cleaned and the fence removed. However, he has not complied with this request.

Mr. Porter was asked by the council to cite the owner if the fence was not removed immediately.

C & N CORPORATION:

Larry Courtney of C & N Corporation addressed the council concerning the progress made in removing the items causing complaints. He stated they had attempted to remove the tanks on the south side of their property but the crane was not large enough. They now have a larger crane and

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these would be removed. They have cleaned the street and sidewalk and the scrubber will be installed in approximately 2 months. They will make the repairs on the street within the next 3 weeks.

HAYES ENTERED 7:19 P.M.

Shortly after the 1st of the year all items should be installed and the area cleaned up.

Moved by King, seconded by Poelma to proceed with the agenda. Motion declared carried.

Mayor Allen thanked Mr. Courtney for attending and updating the council.

902 WALL:

Tony Little addressed the council concerning the condemnation of the structure at 902 Wall. He stated he was interested in purchasing this property and asked if the council would allow him time to make the necessary repairs to bring the structure to code.

Mayor Allen stated the city had started condemnation proceedings on the structure approximately 5 years ago. The person buying the property at that time was in an auto accident and was unable to comply with the city requests. No action was taken and the structure has been a problem to the neighborhood. Earlier this year, condemnation was started again and the city had difficulty establishing ownership. The registered owners were notified and a hearing was held. After the hearing, Mr. and Mrs. High came forward and said they were purchasing the property from Helen Yount. The condemnation file had been forwarded to the city attorney to get a hearing date on the demolition of the structure. He included Mr. and Mrs. High in the process. It is currently in the courts at this time.

Helen High stated they had been working on the structure.

Mr. Little stated Gary Wilson, a local contractor will assist him in the repairs. He said Mr. Wilson had inspected the structure and said it was sound.

The city attorney recommended Mr. Porter inspect

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the structure and if repairs are not substantially complete, request a hearing date from the judge.

The city attorney was requested by the council to ask for a hearing date. No other action was taken.

1215 BAKER, SEWER:

Mary Lou Martin addressed the council and requested they revert to their original decision and bring the sewer line to her property line. She stated she was unable to find a contractor who could reach the sewer main with their equipment. Mayor Allen stated the main was 12 feet at that location and not 22 to 23 feet as originally thought. He stated it should not be an undue hardship on the owner of the property to reach the main. He stated the council could not assist her. No action taken.

1823 GALENA AVE:

Mr. Porter reported this property was go up for a Sheriff's sale November 15 to 19. Bank will then acquire the land and remove the trailer. He will report back at the November 20 meeting.

RESOLUTION 90-24
1006 WALL:

Gene Porter stated this structure was damaged by fire on September 25, 1990. Structural damage does exist and the insurance company has forwarded a portion of the insurance funds to the city for clean up after condemnation if it is not repaired.

He read a letter to the council stating the damages and recommended the house be condemned.

Moved by King, seconded by Poelma to approve Resolution 90-24 and the house be placed under condemnation. Motion declared carried.

WHISTLE 13th & AMHERST:

Moved by Fitzner, seconded by Miller to purchase and install a whistle at 13th & Amherst at a cost of \$261.76. Motion declared carried.

GRAVEL SPREADER:

Superintendent Sills stated Charles Sweet had inspected the gravel spreader the city was interested in purchasing but did not see it run. It appeared to be in good condition.

Moved by Miller, seconded by King to purchase the gravel spreader at a cost of \$2000. Motion declared carried.

FALL CLEAN UP DAYS:

Superintendent Sills stated the city can not take furniture and appliances to our landfill. Scammon will take them, but they must be segregated. It was suggested Tri State Recycling might be able to take these items.

POELMA LEFT 8:15 P.M., returned 8:19 P.M.

Mr. Sills requested we skip the fall clean up days until the city has a place to take the items picked up.

Moved by King, seconded by Poelma to table fall cleanup days unless the city received a lot of requests. Motion declared carried.

JOPLIN CHRYSLER REPAIR BILL:

Chief Collins stated the city had received a repair bill for work done on the city police car in May. This bill was sent to Chrysler by Joplin Chrysler to see if it was covered under the warranty. Mercantile Bank, who has assumed the accounts of Joplin Chrysler, has requested the city pay the amount. Since the account is over 60 days old, he requests Council approval.

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Poelma to allow this bill. Motion declared carried.

COURT REPORT:

Moved by King, seconded by Hayes to file the court report with collections totaling \$2207. Motion declared carried.

PLANNING & ZONING VACANCIES:

Mayor Allen stated 3 terms have expired on the Planning and Zoning Commission. All three were currently held by persons living outside the city limits because 2 of the persons moved outside the city limits while serving their term. Due to the difficulty of finding residents to serve on this commission, they remained in office. However, state statute allows only 2 members from outside the city. Mayor Allen requested these appointments be tabled until he has had an opportunity to meet with these candidates.

Moved by Hayes, seconded by Poelma to table the appointments to the Planning and Zoning Commission until the next meeting. Motion declared carried.

LANDFILL FIRE:

Mayor Allen stated the fire had broke out again in the landfill. He had authorized dozer work with a maximum of 10 hours to put this out.

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3RD WARD COUNCIL POSITION:

Moved by King, seconded by Poelma to appoint Albert Anderson to the vacant position of council person for 3rd Ward. Motion declared carried.

FIRE TRUCK CHASSIS:

King clarified to the council that the fire truck chassis being purchased by the fire department with the city paying \$13,000 is not costing \$26,000. The fire department has accepted a bid of \$15,763 from R & S Chevrolet. The balance of the funds will be used to make the necessary installations such as the tank and other other items.

EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PROGRAM:

Randy Smith of Employer Advantage met with the city clerk and Tipton. They offer payroll services and hospital insurance along with other employee benefits. The health insurance premium is much lower than the city is currently paying. Mr. Smith would like to meet with the Administrative Committee.

CENTRAL PURCHASING:

Moved by Byrd, seconded by Hayes to appoint the city clerk to serve as purchasing agent when the regular agent is not available. Motion declared carried.

PAYROLL ORDINANCE 90-25:

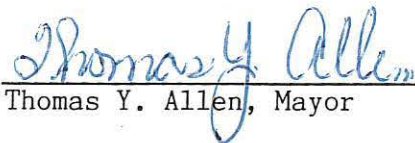
Moved by Fitzer, seconded by Miller to approve Payroll Ordinance 90-25 in the amount of \$4194.49 plus \$320.87 FICA. Motion declared carried.

PAYROLL ORDINANCE 90-25A:

Moved by King, seconded by Miller to approve Payroll Ordinance 90-25A in the amount of \$9354.66 plus \$715.63 FICA. Motion declared carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Byrd, seconded by King 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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