

MINUTES OF
GALENA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1996

CALL TO ORDER: The Regular Meeting of the Galena City Council was called to order on Tuesday, November 19, 1996 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers with Mayor Dale Oglesby presiding.

ROLL CALL: Roll Call indicated the following councilmembers present: BELLAMY, ALLEN, REYNOLDS, WARD, ROGERS, SHRYOCK, ADAMS, PRICE, LITTLE. Absent: Jenkins.

MINUTES: Moved by Rogers, seconded by Shryock to approve and place on file the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Tuesday, November 5, 1996. Motion declared carried. 1-abstain: ADAMS.

Moved by Adams, seconded by Ward to approve and place on file the Minutes of the Special Meeting of November 7, 1996. Motion declared carried. 1-Abstain: LITTLE.

Moved by Rogers, seconded by Ward to place on file the minutes of the Fire Department meeting of October 24, 1996. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Reynolds, seconded by Allen to place on file the minutes of the Senior Citizens Board Meeting of November 7, 1996. Motion declared carried.

VARIANCE-410 GALENA: Clyde Coleman was present representing the Planning & Zoning Board of Appeals in reference to the Variance Request of Minnie & Viron Feagan for a garage at 410 Galena. Mr. Coleman advised the Planning & Zoning Board of appeals recommended the approval of teh variance request with restrictions that the structure not be built closer than 3 feet from south property line and as close as possible to the West lot line, with the Building inspector checking to see that the recommendations were carried out.

Moved by Reynolds, seconded by Shryock that the Variance be allowed with the noted restrictions. Motion declared carried.

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FIRE DEPT.-INDIANA TRUCK: Mayor Oglesby advised the City Council that the Engine was out of the Indiana Fire truck and that final costs were not available yet but could be in the area of \$1600-\$1900 or more, and that the fire department was willing to pay 50% of the costs and requested the City pay the balance.

Moved by Ward, seconded by Shryock to table any action until repair costs were made available. Motion declared carried.

CHECK OF CITY BUILDINGS: Mayor Oglesby advised the council that maybe the City should have the Building Inspector check all the City owned buildings including the roof and furnace rooms for insurance purposes and housekeeping in city hall.

Moved by Shryock, seconded by Adams to request the Building inspector check all the City Buildings and make a report for the Council. Motion declared carried.

SEK-CAP STORAGE SPACE: Doris Adams advised the Council that SEK-CAP had received a grant for \$10,178.00 for 3 cities for utilities and FEMA food. She advised \$1000-\$1500 could be made available for food for Galena but advised she needed more storage space.

Discussion followed on the need for more storage space for all City Departments, also how other SEK-CAP offices store their commodities and why SEK-CAP provides buildings in other cities and not in Galena. Ms. Adams advised other cities have large buildings with storage areas and that people of Galena do not get Commodities more often because they do not have storage space. Mr. Allen inquired why people of Galena are treated differently than in Columbus and Baxter in that SEK-CAP provides them buildings and because the City of Galena has limited space for storage, the people are penalized.

Moved by Rogers, seconded by Allen to request SEK-CAP representatives meet with the City Council to explain why SEK-CAP was threatening to pull the program because the City of Galena does not provide storage space while they are renting or buying a building in other cities. Motion declared carried.

SPRING RIVER PWUSD: Tom Allen advised the Council that according to the letter from Professional Engineering Consultants

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including a draft copy of the Pre-application for the PWWSD is being structured around upgrading Baxter Springs water treatment facility in the amount of 8 million dollars.

Council discussed alternatives for the city to consider other than investing in a water district which the city would not own or have any interest in.

Moved by Allen, seconded by Ward for the City of Galena be excluded from and not allow the use of its figures or its financial situation with regard to upgrading the City of Baxter's water system or water plant and advise everybody of this decision. Roll call vote indicated: 6-AYES: ALLEN, REYNOLDS, WARD, ROGERS, SHRYOCK, PRICE. 1-NAY: ADAMS. 2-ABSTAIN: BELLAMY, LITTLE. 1-ABSENT: JENKINS. Motion declared carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lee Price inquired if the City needed to charter out from the state laws in reference to the Commission/Manager form of Government since the Stateute reads "the City Commissioner receiving the most votes has a term of 4 years and the other 2 have 2 year terms and on the ballot, people voted that the City Commissioners would serve 2 year terms. Ms. Price advised the City Council needed a written opinion from the City Attorney and the Attorney General's office before the next meeting to see if we need to charter out from under the statute.

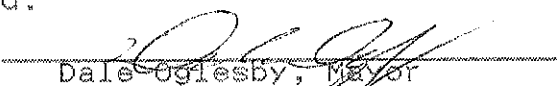
Neal Little suggested the City Council should start setting up qualifications for the New City Manager to help the Commissioners. Discussion was held on advertising and notification of City Managers Association and possibly have applications available for the Commissioners when they take office.

APPROPRIATIONS:

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Reynolds to approve Appropriations Ordinance 96-11 in the amount of \$211,468.70. Motion declared carried. 2 ABSTAIN: LITTLE, PRICE.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Rogers, seconded by Reynolds to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the City Council. Motion declared carried.


Dale Oglesby, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cheryl Haines

Cheryl Haines, Acting City Clerk

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