MINUTES OF GALENA CITY COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 3, 1985

CALL TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Galena was called to order Tuesday, December 3, 1985 at 7:00 P.M. in the council chambers with Mayor John Stephenson presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call indicated the following councilmembers present: Anderson, Bullard, Kay Kay, J. Watkins, LaTurner, Jarvis, and Allen. Absent: R. Watkins, Washom, Brown.

MINUTES:

Moved by J. Watkins, seconded by Kay Kay, to approve and place on file the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 14, 1985. Motion declared carried. l abstain - LaTurner.

COUNTY LANDFILL:

County Commissioners Jack Boyes and John Delmont were present to discuss the possibility of the City operating a County landfill since an area near Galena was favored as a possible site. County would furnish the site for the landfill and equipment to operate the site, and the City would supply supervision and 2 employees.

Moved by J. Watkins, seconded by LaTurner to table discussion of this issue until the next council meeting. Motion declared carried.

VACATION:

Moved by J. Watkins, seconded by Anderson, to approve 1 week pay in lieu of vacation for Rex Gandy. Motion declared carried.

Motion by J. Watkins, seconded by Anderson, to allow Howard Jarvis one week vacation. Motion declared carried.

CIVIL RIGHTS SUIT:

A civil rights suit was filed against the City alleging discrimination because of sex and age by James A. Mann, who formerly applied for the position of Assistant City Clerk. Discussion of the council was that he was strongly considered both times the position was open and that the reason he was not hired in the first place was that he was a substitute teacher at school and personnel committee felt he possibly would not stay with the City if he was offered a contract to teach. Council asked the City Attorney to answer the complaint.

RESIGNATION FROM HOUSING BOARD:

Moved by LaTurner, seconded by Kay Kay to accept the resignation of Jane Sturgis from the Housing Board effective December 1, 1985. Motion declared carried.

Moved by J. Watkins, seconded by Jarvis to advertise for applications for the Housing Board with a deadline of January 6, 1986. Motion declared carried.

902 WALL:

Mr. Donald Norman was present as owner of the house at 902 Wall which was set for condemnation. Mr. Norman stated he had been out ofthe State and had hired contractors to do roofing and cement work but they had not been able to get started on it yet.

Moved by J. Watkins, seconded by Kay Kay to allow 60 days to start to work on repairs to the house. Motion declared carried.

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INSURANCE POLICY:

J. Watkins reported on his meeting with Larry Ellis regarding the City's insurance policy. He stated if the City took a higher deductible on the Auto policy and the buildings and the liability insurance, and delete some of the buildings that are currently on the policy, the premium could be about \$2500 less.

Moved by Kay Kay, seconded by LaTurner to accept the policy with the deletions quoted. Motion declared carried.

AUXILIARY POLICE:

Moved by Jarvis, seconded by J. Watkins, to approve Ken Bankson as an Auxiliary police officer. Motion declared carried.

SWIMMING POOL:

Discussion was held on the possibility of putting in a drain on the City Swimming Pool. Howard Jarvis was asked to get a bid and present it to the council.

The City Attorney was asked to contact James Smith in regard to the unfulfilled contract for the work on the City Pool.

ORD. 85-6:

Moved by LaTurner, seconded by J. Watkins, to amend Ordinance 85-6 on the code of ethics to include the mayor in all paragraphs except Section 6 which concerns issuing orders to a City Employee. Motion declared carried.

CONDEMNATIONS:

Gene Porter read his letter to the Council asking for condemnation proceedings to begin on 2 houses.

Moved by Kay Kay, seconded by J. Watkins to start proceedures of condemnation for a house located at 508 E. 4th Street belonging to FHA and locate the other owners. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Jarvis, to begin Condemnation procedures on 811 Mineral (Lots 18 & 19 of Smith & Moeller Addition) belonging to Bill Hartman. Motion declared carried.

PAY INCREASES:

Moved by Allen, seconded by Kay Kay to approve a pay increase of 5% for a total increase in payroll of approximately \$1500. to be spread within the payroll. Raise to become effective Jan. 1, 1986. Motion declared carried.

CHRISTMAS BONUS:

Moved by J. Watkins, seconded by Jarvis, to approve a \$12.00 gift certificate toward a turkey or ham for city employees. Motion declared carried.

PAYROLL:

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Bullard to approve Payroll 85-27 in the amount of \$7876.02. Motion declared carried.

Moved by J. Watkins, seconded by Jarvis, to approve Payroll 85-27 A in the amount of \$8481.52. Motion declared carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by J. Watkins, seconded by Anderson, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the City Council. Motion declared carried.

John O. Stephenson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cheryl Haines
Cheryl Haines, City Clerk
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