

MINUTES OF  
GALENA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 16, 1980

The City Council of Galena, Kansas met in regular session, Tuesday, December 16, 1980 at 7:00 P.M. in the council chambers with Mayor Dolores Smith presiding.

Councilmen present by roll call were:

Mann, Hayes, Hart, Means, Watkins, Kelly, A. Wade, Moody, Piercefield.

Councilmen absent:

T. Wade

Motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Hart that the minutes of the council meeting held December 2, 1980 be approved and placed on file. Motion carried with Piercefield abstaining.

Motion was made by Piercefield and seconded by Hayes to table the decision concerning the paying of the Senior Citizens utilities until the next meeting. Motion carried.

The pay for Judge Pro Tem was discussed and it was decided that the Ordinance meant \$10.00 per day that service was actually rendered.

Four applications were read for the position of Judge Pro Tem. They were: Darrel Shoemaker, William Sturgis, Dennis Hart and John Fink. Mayor Smith recommended Dennis Hart. Motion was made by Mann and seconded by Moody to appoint Dennis Hart as Judge Pro Tem. Roll call vote showed 6 yes votes and 2 no votes and Hart abstaining. Means and A. Wade voted no. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Piercefield and seconded by Hayes to accept Hart's verbal resignation from his council seat for 4th Ward, to be effective at the close of the meeting. Motion carried.

The chairmanship of the different committees was discussed and clarified as follows: Executive/Advisory - Kelly, Finance - Watkins, Parks & Cemeteries - Mann, Industrial - Alan Wade, Community Development - Hayes, Police - Means, Sewer & Sanitation - T. Wade, Street - Piercefield, Water - Moody, Fire - Means. Insurance Committee was appointed-- Kelley, Watkins and Moody.

Water leak adjustment for Jones Trailer Court was denied as Howard Jarvis said it was not necessary.

Piercefield made a motion and Hayes seconded to adjust Letha Dalton's water bill the usual 50%. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Piercefield and seconded by Hart to adjust Goldie Son's water bill the usual 50%. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Piercefield and seconded by Moody to adjust Nina Hasenplaugh's water bill the usual 50%. Motion carried.

Earl Carriger's water bill was discussed and it was decided to wait to see if it was justifiable.

The City Clerk ask the council to approve a computer program for making name and address labels for the meter reader's books. It would cost around \$200 and could be used in numerous ways. Alan Wade made a motion to approve the computer program and Piercefield seconded. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Piercefield and seconded by Hayes to have the City Clerk send a letter of thank you to the Chamber of Commerce for the good job done on the Christmas lights downtown and the parade this year. The letter was to be signed from the Mayor and City Council. Motion carried.

It was discussed whether or not to buy a page in the Galena High School Annual for \$125.00 Alan Wade made a motion to table the decision and Hart seconded. Motion carried.

The question arose as to what was meant by the councils approval of the Planning and Zoning Minutes. They explained that they were approving them only as minutes and not of what had transpired in their meetings.

Motion was made by Piercefield and seconded by Means to approve the December 1 and December 8th minutes of the Planning and Zoning Commission and have them placed on file. Motion carried.

Ray Randall of the Community Development Office presented two ordinances to the City Council for approval. Ordinance #1037 was the annexation of The Brass Monkey on Highway 66 west. Ray purposed the annexation to take place on Jan 1, 1981. Watkins made the motion to approve the annexation and Moody seconded. Roll call vote was taken with 9 yes votes. Motion carried.

Ordinance #1038 requested the vacating of the alley in the Geltz third addition. Motion was made by Watkins and seconded by A. Wade to approve the ordinance. Motion carried with 1 nay vote by Kelly.

Gene Porter told the council about a house at 917 Galena Avenue that posed an immediate hazard. The owner, Paul Tipton, had been contacted several times and had failed to respond. It was posted as a Hazard on June 5th. KSA Statute 12-17-56 states the property can be torn down. Alan Wade made the motion to let Gene Porter take whatever action was necessary. Moody seconded with 7 yes votes and 2 abstentions by Means and Watkins. Motion Carried.

The expense for tearing down the property was to be assessed back to their taxes. It would probably be around \$350 to \$400.

Marie Hardwick appeared before the council to discuss her 2-twenty-five foot lots and whether or not they would be considered a trailer park if the new planning and zoning ordinance was passed, and if so would she be required to pay for an occupational license. She was asked to attend a January 13, 1981 meeting with the Planning and Zoning Commission and City Council to explain her viewpoint and voice her disapproval.


Claude Mann ask the council to help pay the attorney fees for Municipal Judge Bob Brown. They had already raised \$430 in pledges and needs \$70 more.

Motion was made by means and seconded by Piercefield to advertise in the Galena Sentinel for 4th Ward vacancy caused by the resignation of Dennis Hart. M. Carried.

Motion was made by Hart and seconded by Piercefield to approve the Community Development Appropriations and Payroll. Means abstained. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Watkins and seconded by Moody to approve the Cities Appropriation Ordinance #80-28 and Payroll Ord. #80-28. Motion Carried.

Motion was made to adjourn by A. Wade and seconded by Kelly. Motion Carried.

  
Dolores Smith, Mayor

  
Barbara Wilkins, City Clerk