

MINUTES OF
CITY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING
June 16, 2003

- CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting of the Galena City Commission was called to order on **Monday, June 16, 2003, at 6:00 p.m.** in the commission chambers with Mayor Lynne Hardman presiding.
- ROLL CALL:** Roll call indicated the following commissioners **present:** **HARDMAN; DONALDSON; SHOEMAKER; DAVIES; OGLESBY**
- AGENDA AMENDMENT:** Moved by Davies, seconded by Donaldson to amend the agenda to add on an executive session for approximately 15 minutes. **Motion declared carried.**
- AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Davies, Oglesby**
NAYS: None
- MINUTES:** Moved by Davies, seconded by Donaldson to approve and place on file the minutes of the Special Commission meeting, May 28, 2003. **Motion declared carried.**
- Moved by Davies, seconded by Donaldson to approve and place on file the minutes of the Regular Commission meeting, June 2, 2003. **Motion declared carried.**
- AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Davies, Oglesby**
NAYS: None
- FIRE HYDRANT TAP
S. MAIN STREET:** Troy Wade approached the commission about purchasing a fire hydrant on S. Main and tapping into the city's main. He is building a new home and within a 1000 feet of a fire hydrant insurance rates would be considerably cheaper.
- Moved by Davies, seconded by Shoemaker for Troy Wade to purchase a fire hydrant and material to be put on S. Main with the city providing the labor. **Motion declared carried.**
- AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Davies, Oglesby**
NAYS: None

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JIM CLIFFORD/CITY ISSUES:

Jim Clifford police dispatcher addressed the commission on several issues. He stated he had a couple of questions specifically for Bill Frazier

Concerning the city manager position. He stated Mr. Frazier had went in to the city managers office last week and asked him what it would take for him to resign. He said he wouldn't have a problem with that but he did not say himself he said we. Mr. Clifford wanted to know who we was. Mr. Frazier answered himself. Mr. Clifford wanted to know if he was speaking for some of the commissioners. Mr. Frazier stated no he was speaking for himself. Mr. Frazier said since they have went in to this type of government they have spent a quarter of a million dollars and asked what have they done that a mayor and council could not do.

He addressed Carol Qualls on the arson investigator class and why a dispatcher went to it. He said Chad Abram dispatcher and also a volunteer for the fire dept., asked to go to the class. He stated he felt this would benefit the police department and the fire department.

Chief Hall stated it is very hard to prove arson that is why the fire department felt it was better to call the Sheriff's Department and the Fire Marshall in and also it protects the city from liability.

APPOINTMENT TO LOCAL HOUSING BOARD:

Mayor Lynne Hardman appointed Barbara Berry to an unexpired term on the Local Housing Board.

CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE:

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by Shoemaker to set August 2nd for the city wide garage sale with the city to help as usual. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Davies, Oglesby
NAYS: None

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**SHELTER AT SCHMERHORN
PARK:**

Discussion was held on repair and roofing of the shelters north of the house at Schermerhorn Park. There was a difference between the park committee's estimate to repair it and the city superintendent's estimate. Tabled until a later meeting.

**NEW CITY FIRE TRUCK
PAYMENT:**

City Manager, Jack Murray stated we finally got our copy of the lease agreement on the new fire truck last week when the auditor was here. He noted he found out we have a payment of \$13,486.00 due the first of July. He said the lease was being worked on after the budget was prepared last year so there was no money allocated for the payment. The final payment is do on the old truck in December and money has been transferred to the Fire Chassis Fund to take care of this. He stated he thought the Fire Dept. was going to help pay the old Fire Truck off and they did not have the monies they had anticipated. He would speak with the auditor to set up monies to transfer for the new truck.

Moved by Donaldson, seconded by Oglesby to pay the \$13, 486.00 on the new fire truck out of the fire chassis fund with an amendment to be brought before the commission to the fire chassis fund to take care of the annual payments on the fire truck.

Motion declared carried.

AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Davies, Oglesby

NAYS: None

CINTAS UNIFORM:

City Manager, Jack Murray stated they had negotiated with Cintas Uniform with the employee doing their own laundry with the price going from 96.00 to 40.00 per month, per employee and a decrease to five pants and five shirts. Mr Murray stated it would be an amendment to the current contract.

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SOUTHEAST KANSAS
NATURE CENTER:

City Manager, Jack Murray read a letter inviting the commission to attend the annual meeting on June 28th.

WEB SITE:

Commissioner Shoemaker stated he would like to put in a motion to do some advertising for new businesses to bring to our town.

Discussion was held on trying to get a student from the school to help set up a web site for the city.

PICNIC TABLES:

Commissioner Shoemaker stated the Cherokee Cruisers were going to buy 2 picnic tables for the city park and asked if the city would purchase 2 tables at a cost of \$119.00 per table.

Moved by Davies, seconded by Donaldson to purchase 2 picnic tables for the City Park. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Davies, Oglesby
NAYS: None

OPEN MEETING LAWS:

Commissioner Shoemaker stated he has had questions thrown at him about the open meeting laws, and he wanted people to know that 2 commissioners could visit with each other as long as they did not talk about city business. He stated he had a letter from the League of Municipalities showing this.

APPR# 03-06

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by Donaldson to approve Appropriation Ordinance 03-06 in the amount of \$41, 458.30. **Motion declared carried**

AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Davies, Oglesby
NAYS: None

Question were asked by Commissioner Shoemaker if the wrecker service was connected with towing the cars that were in the auction, and what kind of classes were we paying for Ben Biddle. The city manager stated the classes were anger management classes and the bill for Danny's Wrecker service was for towing cars to the impound lot.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Moved by Davies, seconded by Donaldson to go into executive session for 20 minutes for personnel issues, with the city manager, city attorney, and city clerk to remain.

AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Davies, Oglesby

NAYS: None

ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:55 P.M. AND RETURNED AT 7:15 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Galena City Commission was called to order after executive session at 7:15 p.m. in the community room with Mayor Lynne Hardman presiding **with no action taken.**

ROLL CALL:

Roll call indicated the following commissioners **present:** Hardman, Donaldson, Shoemaker, Davies,

JOPLIN HUMANE SOCIETY
CONTRACT:

The city attorney stated he had no problem with the contract.

Moved by Donaldson, seconded by Shoemaker to adopt the contract with the Joplin Humane Society. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Davies, Oglesby

NAYS: None

C & N CORPORATION:

City Manager, Jack Murray stated that Commissioner Shoemaker and himself met with Larry Courtney with C&N. They had spoke to him about the street conditions and he was going to work with the city improving them and work on keeping the dust down. Mr. Murray stated that he was in compliance according to EPA standards. Concerned citizens were advised there were telephone numbers for EPA in city hall if they wanted to contact them.

STREET REPAIR:

Commissioner Davies asked about the Street he had told the City Superintendent and the City Manager about a year ago that needed to be fixed. City

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Superintendent stated he was going to concrete it in as soon as he had time. Commissioner Davies stated it had been a year and someone was going to get hurt.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Davies, seconded by Donaldson to adjourn the regular meeting. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Davies, Oglesby
NAYS: None

Lynne Hardman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Deborah Kitch, City Clerk

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