MINUTES OF CITY COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING APRIL 23, 1999

CALL TO ORDER:

The special meeting of the Galena City Commission was called to order on Friday, April 23rd,1999, at 6:00 P.M. in the commission chambers with Mayor Mark LaTurner presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call indicated the following commissioners present: LATURNER, JACKSON, BRANDENBURG

EMPIRE DISTRICT FIBER OPTICS CONNECTION:

City Manager, Nice stated the city was invited to go in on a line to the school system and use their hook-up to the Internet. The cost through Empire District would be an approximate cost of \$1500.00 for equipment and \$600.00 per month for a 5 year lease. This would include the Genealogy Building, Fire Dept., City Clerk's office, Municipal Court, Police Dept., Library, and City Barn.

Decision was made by the Commission to table and do more research on the cost.

PUBLIC HEARING CONDEMNATION PROCEDURES 208 W. 1st STREET:

No representative present for 208 W. 1st Street.

Motion made by Brandenburg, seconded by Jackson to pass Resolution 99-8 to continue with condemnation procedures. Motion declared carried.

PUBLIC HEARING CONDEMNATION PROCEDURES 206 W. 1st STREET:

No representative present for 206 W. 1st Street.

Motion made by Jackson, seconded by Brandenburg to pass Resolution 99-9 to proceed with condemnation procedures. Motion declared carried

PUBLIC HEARING CONDEMNATION PROCEDURES 118 N. MAIN STREET:

Judy Morris represented Mike Hughes for 118 N. Main Street. Ms. Morris stated Mr. Hughes was at a meeting out of town. She advised she had a signed paper from him stating the items he was asked to fix were fixed.

Decision was made by the commission to continue with the procedures until a report from the building inspector stating the building has met codes.

Motion made by Jackson, seconded by Brandenburg to pass Resolution 99-10 to proceed with condemnation procedures, pending rectification from the Building Inspector. Motion declared carried

PUBLIC HEARING CONDEMNATION PROCEDURES 209 MAIN STREET:

Mitch Pickering was present to represent his property at 209 Main Street. Mr. Pickering stated he had started to do work on his building. Mr. Pickering asked if he needed a building permit to do the work. The commission stated yes since he was getting into structural repair. The commission advised him if he was progressing on the building at a good pace and the building inspector validated that, they would allow him to proceed after the 15 day limit to get the building up to code.

Motion made by Brandenburg, seconded by Jackson to pass Resolution 99-11 to proceed with condemnation procedures. Motion declared carried

PUBLIC HEARING CONDEMNATION PROCEDURES 205 MAIN STREET:

No representative present for 205 Main Street. City Manager Nice stated the certified notice was mailed to Fred Pickett and returned to the city.

Motion made by Brandenburg, seconded by Jackson to pass Resolution 99-12 to proceed with condemnation procedures. Motion declared carried.

PUBLIC HEARING CONDEMNATION PROCEDURES 203 MAIN STREET:

Property at 203 Main Street was represented by Geraldine Miller, owner. She stated she appeared without notice. The commission advised she had been notified by certified mail. She advised she did not want the building demolished.

The commission advised they would proceed with the procedures and have the building inspector to inspect the building to see if progress is being made to bring the building up to code.

Motion made by Brandenburg, seconded by Jackson to pass Resolution 99-13 to proceed with condemnation procedures. Motion declared carried.

SALVAGE YARDS: Commissioner Jackson stated the city needed to work on

some of the yards in the city that looked like salvage

yards.

CITY BEAUTIFICATION: Judy Morris asked what the commission expected of her

on the cleanup and beautification of the city. The commission advised she might work with the building inspector and advise him of property she observed that

needs cleanup or is in bad shape.

Mark G. La Surne

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Brandenburg, seconded by Jackson to

adjourn the special meeting. Motion declared carried.

Mark LaTurner, Mayor

ATTEST

Deborah Kitch, City Clerk

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