

MINUTES OF
GALENA CITY COUNCIL

May 2, 1980

The Galena City Council met in Special Session, Friday, May 2, 1980, at 7:00 P.M., in the Council Chambers.

On roll call, the following members answered present: Kelley, Faulkner, Mann, Smith, R. Wade, T. Wade and Watkins.

Absent were: Means, Hall and Hayes.

Councilman Hall entered the Council Chambers five minutes later and took his seat.

The purpose of the meeting was to dismiss the city consulting engineer and entering into an agreement with another firm.

Mayor Williams spoke to the Council on the reasons the contract with C. B. Simmons should be terminated, stating the city was falling behind on correcting the problems with the sanitary sewers and also the lagoons that the State had requested us to make.

The federal government will subsidize up to 75% of all expenses incurred.

The Mayor then introduced John Bailey with Professional Engineering Consultants, Wichita, Kansas. This is the second largest engineering firm in the State of Kansas, employing 120 people. The firm has a complete testing laboratory and offers complete materials testing. They are now engaged in an engineering project for the City of Pittsburg called "Fourth Street" and also interceptors and sewage collection systems for that City. The same service is being provided for Ft. Scott and they are also reviewing the entire collection system for Independence. The State of Kansas has engaged them to design a new bridge over Spring River at Riverton.

Mr. Bailey then gave the council a few personal details about himself and his educational and professional background.

He stated the two major problems with the city sewer were: (1) "Wet Weather" conditions when the pumping stations can't handle the load; and (2) Storm and sanitary sewers may be crossed causing lagoons to overflow.

Galena has been on a top priority list with the State of Kansas since 1977, which makes them eligible for aid immediately.

There are three parts to the project:

1. Cost Effective Analysis, which is an engineering study of problem. Examine and alleviate, to come into compliance with State of Kansas.
2. Plan of Study will be submitted to State with council's approval.
3. Construction.

Mr. Bailey assured the Council there will not be problems of the firm deserting the city and not following through on the project, also, the plans would be ready within 2 weeks after they are given the "go ahead".

As to compensation, Mr. Bailey stated federal law was very clear on the matter of engineering firms not being compensated unless a grant had been issued.

Professional Engineering Consultants would assign a certified technician to work on this project alone and would check on him frequently to prevent any problems from arising.

Councilman Kelley moved we terminate C. B. Simmons contract immediately, Faulkner seconded. Motion carried with 8 Yeas.

The Clerk was asked to write to Mr. Simmons and notify him of the termination of his contract, and the City employ Mr. Bailey and associates, with motion by Faulkner, second by Kelley.

Before acting on the motion, Councilman Hall asked for some figure as to costs of any work the firm would do. Mr. Bailey stated he would need a map of the entire sewer system and they would work on a "Cost Plus Fixed Fee Contract". The City would only be charged for the hours actually needed to complete the project. Mr. Bailey stated their firm had the lowest overhead in the State of Kansas.

Councilman Means entered the Council Chambers at this point and took his seat.

The City is not obligated for any amount until figures are brought in, because if smoke testing becomes necessary it could be relatively expensive.


After the tests are completed, a grant package would be forwarded to the federal government.

Vote was taken on the previous motion and carried with 9 Yeas.

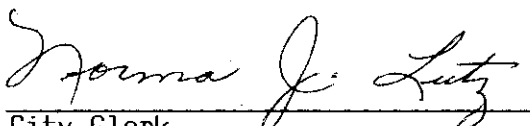
Mayor Williams asked for the Governing Body to consider an emergency situation in regard to rehabilitation of one particular house.

Smith moved we go into executive session for approximately 20 minutes with the local press present. Faulkner seconded. Motion carried.

Upon reconvening, Watkins moved for adjournment; second by Smith. Motion carried by standing.



Mayor



City Clerk