

MINUTES OF CITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 26, 2005

CALL TO ORDER:

The Special Meeting of the Galena City Council was called to order on **Monday, September 26, at 6:00 p.m.** in the council chambers with Mayor Myra Carlisle Frazier presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call indicated the following council members **present:** SHRYOCK, SHOEMAKER; MONTEE; CURE; DAVIES; QUALLS. **absent:** BANKSON

BIDS-CITY STORM DAMAGE:

Mayor Frazier said she would like to yield the floor to the Finance Committee who had worked on comparing and lining them up.

Council member Cure said Cantrell Building on most of his low bids were for flat roofs and he wasn't for sure if he had equipment to work on flat roofs. The only other building he was concerned with that Cantrell Building bid on was the Pole Barn and there was quite a difference between him and the insurance so he would like to talk with him on this one.

Council member Shoemaker said Hignite Roofing had a pumper kettle and that was what was needed, plus he has the men to do the kind of work that's needs to be done. He told the council that Bill Hignite came by his house while Jim Montee and himself were reminiscing about the old days and reported to the council that Hignite said he had enough shingles to do the softball field, which would be a savings of about \$750.00. On the Cemetery Dwelling he told Hignite they had bought shingles for it a year ago and Hignite said he would deduct whatever we paid for the shingles from his bid.

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Mayor Frazier stated in fairness to the other two bidders that's kind of like reopening the bids with Bill Hignite but not with them and giving them the same opportunity to make these same gestures.

Council member Shryock asked Cantrell if he had a hot kettle. Cantrell addressed the council and advised he had a new one on order, he does have people who can do the work and he is very experienced in flat roofs and there was not any work up for bid that they were not qualified to do. There was no bid work that he does not have the equipment or access to the equipment. He questioned the separation of the bids from what he saw in the paper advertised, in the paper it was advertised for bids without a direct scope of work with no instructions for bidders except for a copy of the adjusters sheets that simply states the work and broke them out itemized per building and there was no real direction to itemize though he knows they all did and as far as he knows Cantrell Building is the only contractor that provided a complete bid for the scope of work that was put out. Therefore he would ask that there be consideration since they bid completely and competitively that there not be any sideline discussion with competitors about doing the same work that was put out to bid and they be considered to accept the contract for the entire scope of work that was put out.

Mayor Frazier asked if it was his suggestion that since he was the low bidder of the entire project that it should be awarded to him. He replied it appears that he was and appears that Cantrell Building was the only one that bid the entire scope of work per the instructions that they were all given.

Mayor Frazier replied that she would say they were not limited to the entire package and they were going to break it out if it is in the best interest of the city.

Cantrell replied he would accept that under protest.

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Council member Cure asked Cantrell on the Pole Barn in his bid if he bid to put foam on it like the adjuster had. Cantrell said he bid to take off existing material and put on the square footage material that was called for on the adjustor's scope. Cantrell said the square footage was off on the adjustor's scope. Council member Cure asked how bad. Cantrell replied very bad and needs to be addressed with the adjustor.

Mayor Frazier asked council member Cure if there were warranties built in with any of the bids. He said he would think the city would request that the work be guaranteed.

Mayor Frazier asked if the council's recommendation was to take them one at a time.

Mayor Frazier said the biggest project was City Hall and had concerns because a flat roof is a different kind of animal all together and noted there was a difference of \$1,350.00 and said Cantrell was at a bit of a disadvantage since most of them were familiar with Hignite's work and at a disadvantage because they look over here and see some of his work right behind them each week and those were her concerns.

City Hall Building:

Moved by Shoemaker, seconded by Shryock that they accept the bid from **Hignite** for the City Hall Building.

Motion declared carried.

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies

NAYS: Qualls (stated she was voting no simply because she was not quite sure of how she feels about this).

Ambulance Barn:

Moved by shoemaker seconded by Montee that they accept the bid from **Hignite** in the amount of \$1,870.00 for the Ambulance Barn. **Motion declared carried.**

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AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

Amendment:

Moved by Shoemaker, seconded by Shryock to amend the motion for the awarding of the bid of City Hall to **Hignite** to include the language for the amount of \$51,000.00. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

Senior Citizens Center:

Moved by Shoemaker, seconded by Shryock that **Cantrell** be awarded the Senior Citizens Center for a bid of \$4,000.00. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

Genealogy Building:

Moved by Shoemaker, seconded by Davies that **Hignite** be awarded the Genealogy Library Building for \$4,500.00. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

Cemetery Garage:

Moved by Davies, seconded by Shoemaker that **Hignite** be awarded the bid for the Cemetery Garage at \$900.00. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

Cemetery Dwelling:

Moved by Davies, seconded by Shoemaker that **Hignite** be awarded the bid for the Cemetery Dwelling in the amount of \$2,500.00 minus whatever cost we paid and show him for the

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shingles and we provide the shingles. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

Well House (1010 Wood):

Moved by Shoemaker, seconded by Shryock that **MRC** be awarded the Well House at 1010 Wood in the amount of \$200.00. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

City Garage (1010 Wood):

Moved by Davies, seconded by Shoemaker that **Hignite** be awarded the City Garage at 1010 Wood in the amount of \$4,200.00. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

Pump House (Empire):

Moved by Shoemaker, seconded by Montee that the Pump House in Empire is awarded to **Cantrell Building** for \$250.00. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

Roosevelt Community Center:

Moved by Shoemaker, seconded by Shryock that the Community Center bed award goes to **Hignite** for \$7,500.00. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

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Pole Barn (1010 Wood):

Moved by Cure, seconded by Shoemaker that Cantrell Building be awarded the Pole Barn bid 1010 Wood for \$6,960.00. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

Lift Station:

Moved by Davies seconded by Shryock that Cantrell Building be awarded the Lift Station bid of \$70.00. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

Softball Field (Booth and Concession Stand):

Council member Shoemaker said he would make a motion to award that to Hignite that he told him and Montee he would do it free of charge. Mayor and Council stated no that was not fair, Montee said no there was going to have to be a dollar amount and told Shoemaker you can't hold him to that. **(Motion died for lack of second).**

Moved by Shryock, seconded by Cure that the softball booth and concession be awarded to Cantrell Building for a total amount of \$710.00. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

Chamber of Commerce Building:

Moved by Cure, seconded by Montee that Cantrell Building be awarded the Chamber of Commerce Building for \$2,550.00. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

Restroom (City Park):

Moved by Shoemaker, seconded by Shryock that Restroom at City Park be awarded to Hignite for \$310.00. **Motion declared carried.**

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AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Montee, Cure, Davies, Qualls

NAYS: None

(Council member Montee asked to be excused from meeting at 6:35 p.m. do to other commitments).

Royce Cantrell (Cantrell Building) advised the council he would like to make the accusation here and it be recorded that he feels and wants to make the accusation that this committee has committed fraud and there has been acts of bid rigging and he would like it to be investigated.

Mayor Frazier thanked him for his comments.

LANDFILL:

Discussion held on the recent increased landfill fees. Council member Shryock said he felt they had raised it way to high and way to fast. He presented a list of fees stating they could drop the fees down a little then increase them back up in a few months.

Mayor Frazier asked if there were any changes to what they now have or do they want to leave it alone for a while. Council member Davies said he would like to get a cash flow so they would know what they are talking about when they come back. Decision to monitor landfill fees for awhile.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Question and answer session on how to be more aggressive on city cleanup. Code Enforcement Officer outlined to the council on her procedure for nuisance letters sent out.

GUN FOR DISPLAY ON CITY PROPERTY:

Mayor Frazier read a letter from Bill Hall, Fire Chief stating the Fire Department had applied for a 105 MM Howitzer Gun for display, which they needed to have in the minutes the city's approval to place the gun on city property.

Moved by Cure, seconded by Shoemaker approval for the gun to be placed and displaced on city property. **Motion declared carried.**

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AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Shoemaker, seconded by Cure to adjourn the special meeting. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Shryock, Shoemaker, Cure, Davies, Qualls
NAYS: None



Myra Carlisle Frazier, Mayor

ATTEST:



Deborah Kitch, City Clerk

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