MINUTES OF CITY COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING MAY 15, 2003

CALL TO ORDER:

The special meeting of the Galena City Commission was called to order on Thursday, May 15, 2003, at 5:00 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

INSURANCE:

Mayor Hardman stated they had called a special meeting for Finances and Insurance.

City Manager, Jack Murray stated we had received our liability insurance and it was in excess of \$39, 000.00. Commissioner Davies asked if he had made any inquiries to any other insurance companies. Mr. Murray said he had not. He stated he did last year and got no response. It was discussed taking part out of tort liability.

FINANCES:

Commissioner Davies asked were the city manager was planning on taking the money from for the insurance, if he had a list and how much. City Manager, Jack Murray said he would like to wait until we finish the month and see what we look like when we get our next disbursement from county. Commissioner Davies asked what he estimated that to be. \$70,000.00 this time last year, but all that did not go into the general fund. He stated they had built in two \$15,000.00 transfers in the budget that's approved and that can be done at any time just by pulling the money from one account and putting it into general. He advised the only funds they have to transfer from is the water and the solid waste.

City manager, Jack Murray stated they were going to cut back on any overtime in the police dept. Chief Arthur stated they had cut back but he had two men in the academy and one in military.

Chief Arthur stated that he wanted to go on record as saying that he had a group of hard working people in his dept. He noted that 80 percent of his budget was in salaries.

Commissioner Oglesby said we need to take a look at man-hours in the city not just the police dept.

Chief Arthur stated if we worked in a two week pay period overtime could be controlled better.

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by Donaldson to amend the handbook temporarily to allow comp time, no more than 40 hours per person instead of overtime pay. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Hardman; Donaldson; Oglesby NAYS: Davies; Shoemaker

Commissioner Donaldson stated what if we go to the end of this year in a financial crunch.

Mayor Hardman stated we need to start taking a look at 2004.

Commissioner Davies said he does not want to come up at the end of the year stating we are going to have to issue no fund warrants.

Commissioner Oglesby said he would like to hear more from the city manager Monday night with some comparison to previous years and what his recommendation is.

We need to start looking at some economic development to put some money in our general fund stated Commissioner Oglesby.

Chief Arthur, said he would not be able to do the crosswalk for Galena Days. He did not have the personnel to do it with. He said he had spoke with the fire dept. concerning this.

Chief Arthur, discussed the cell phone stating he needed to keep his same number. Also changing the officer's pagers for cell phones. It was decided to wait until the next meeting for further discussion.

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by Davies to adjourn the special meeting. **Motion declared** carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

ATTEST:

Deborah Kitch, City Clerk

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