

MINUTES OF
CITY COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
JULY 11, 2003

CALL TO ORDER:

The special meeting of the Galena City Commission was called to order on **Friday, July 11, 2003, at 4:00 p.m.** in the commission chambers with Mayor Lynne Hardman presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call indicated the following commissioners **present:** HARDMAN; DONALDSON; SHOEMAKER; OGLESBY **absent:** DAVIES

**DOUBLE WIDE TRAILER
PLACEMENT:
1111 MINERAL ST.:**

Mayor Lynne Hardman said this had come up at the last meeting and the Planning and Zoning Committee did not have a quorum and the minutes rescinded, but the ordinance says that if there is no quorum the commission may approve. She said Carol Qualls with the Planning and Zoning Committee was here if the commission had any questions.

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by Shoemaker to approve the placement of a mobile home at 1111 Mineral St.
Motion declared carried.

AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Oglesby
NAYS: None

**SEWER TAP:
115 N. MAIN STREET:**

Paul Johnston owner of 115 N. Main came before the commission and stated he had been paying a sewer bill each month for approximately a year and found out his sewer line only went about 6 inches outside his building. He came to city hall and was told by Ms. Haines that she would have to check with Sonny Webster. He said he came back the next day and was told he would have to pay \$75.00 for a tap fee. He said he asked if they would dig 20 or 25 feet upon his property and was told no they do not dig on private property. He was told if he redid his sidewalk it was his property and he was responsible for any repairs. He stated he saw at the city hardware store the city employees helping them on their new sidewalk.

He said he did not think this was right, that a tap should have been put in when the sewer was put in.

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Commissioner Oglesby asked what City Superintendent Sonny Webster recommendation was on this.

City Superintendent Sonny Webster said whatever the commission wanted it did not matter to him. He said he did not mind doing it if it didn't start a continuing thing. It would not be that hard since they were there to dig 25 feet to the building.

Mayor Lynne Hardman said her thoughts are it should have been taped into originally.

Commissioner Oglesby said he did think we had a special circumstance since we had been charging him sewer charges and we should have had a tap there.

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by Shoemaker for this special case waive the tapping charge and let Sonny handle. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Oglesby
NAYS: None

SWIMMING POOL HOURS:

Nicole Arthur approached the commission on the low attendance and hours at the swimming pool. She said she had previously approved this with Jack Murray. Increase of swimming rates and the new pools opening in Joplin she felt was part of the low attendance. She said she would like to change the hours to 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. because it seemed like the swimmers were all leaving at 5:00 p.m.

Moved by Oglesby, seconded by Donaldson due to the problems we were having to change the hours at the swimming pool to 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Oglesby
NAYS: None

**SEVERANCE PAY
JACK MURRAY:**

Moved by Shoemaker, seconded by Oglesby to pay a month's severance pay and two weeks vacation in six weekly payrolls. **Motion declared carried.**

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AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Oglesby
NAYS: None

**WATER PUMP
TRASH TRUCK:**

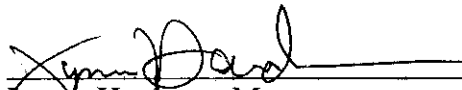
Moved by Donaldson, seconded by Shoemaker to approve \$431.63 for a new water pump. **Motion declared carried.**

AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Oglesby
NAYS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

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

AYES: Donaldson, Shoemaker, Oglesby
NAYS: None



Lynne Hardman, Mayor

ATTEST:


Deborah Kitch, City Clerk

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