

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 11, 2012**

**12C-0238 – CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Terry Renner called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Chambers at 312½ North Main Street on 11 June 2012.

**12C-0239 – ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call the following members were present: Cording, Fach, Greene, Lincoln, Murphy, Painter and Renner

**12C-0240 – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

Mayor Terry Renner announced a quorum of Board members present to conduct city business.

**12C-0241 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge was recited.

**12C-0242 - REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

None.

**12C-0243 – PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Carl Johnson, 202 S. Main Street, Galena Illinois** - Johnson commented on the noise in his portion of downtown. Johnson stated that there is a lot of noise from motorcycles, and amplified music being played in Washington Park. He noted that the early promoters of Galena as a tourist attraction were to sell Galena as a historic and quiet Midwest small town.

**CONSENT AGENDA CA-11**

**12C-0244 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE May 29, 2012 CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**12C-0245 – APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMEMENDMENT BA12-07 FOR YEAR END BUDGET ADJUSTMENT**

**12C-0246 – APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR SOLAR PROJECT**

**Motion:** Lincoln moved, seconded by Painter, to approve Consent Agenda CA-11

**Discussion:** None

**Roll Call:** AYES: Fach, Greene, Lincoln, Murphy, Painter, Cording Renner  
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**12C-0226- POSSIBLE RECONSIDERATION OF DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ZONING CALENDAR NO.11A-03, A REQUEST BY DINO SOTIRI AND FOTIS RIGOPOULOS FOR A TEXT AMENDMENT TO PERMIT OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT IN DOWNTOWN COMMERCIAL DISTRICT**

**Motion:** Greene moved, seconded by Fach to discuss item 12C-0226.

**Roll Call:** AYES: Greene, Lincoln, Murphy, Painter, Cording, Fach, Renner  
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

**Discussion:** Greene stated that it is not clear as to what is allowed and what is not. Greene suggested that Mark Moran and Joe Nack meet with Fotis Rigopoulos and his attorney to decide what was appropriate.

Painter felt it was not clear also. She stated that it is not the cities responsibility to figure out what they want.

Cording wondered why the present ordinance was not efficient.

Fach stated he would like a couple of examples of historic communities and how they deal with this issue. He stated he talked to someone from Charleston South Carolina which has bars on roof tops but they do not allow music.

Renner reminded the council that the zoning board voted 6 to 0 to allow music.

Fach commented that he had not changed his mind from the last vote. There has been millions of dollars spent on the city since he came in 1971 and the people who spent the money thought the city would oversee it historical integrity.

Lincoln stated that the city needs to try it and if there are problems they need to fix them.

Painter felt that if was allowed the city could up with the battle of the bands.

Murphy wondered if the city did not allow this were they going to also stop events like Music on Main, parades and country fair from having outside music.

Nack stated that both sides could get together and bring something back by next meeting. He felt that a special use was the best answer because if something went wrong it could be corrected.

Kieffer stated that the Zoning Board could put conditions on it and if problems arise they could be solved on a case by case basis.

Cording stated that if something happened it would not be the zoning board that would hear from the public it would be the council and we need to have control.

Fach stated that the real problem is the definition of music.

**Motion:** Murphy moved, seconded by Fach to end discussion on item 12C-0226.

**Roll Call:** AYES: Lincoln, Murphy, Painter, Cording, Fach, Greene, Renner  
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

Greene made a motion to reconsider 12C-0226 but it died for a lack of a second.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**12C-0247 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A REQUEST BY THE FIRST COMMUNITY BANK, OWNER OF THE RAMADA HOTEL, FOR A WATER RATE SUBSIDY FOR THE PROPOSED CONNECTION TO THE CITY WATER SUPPLY AT THE HOTEL**

**Motion:** Cording moved, seconded by Greene for the City to go forward with the bidding to run a water main to the Rumada Hotel as per the annexation agreement.

**Discussion:** Moran stated that he had given a memo to the council before the meeting that stated that the city was responsible to put the water line in as per an annexation agreement that was drawn up when the hotel was built.

**Roll Call:** AYES: Painter, Cording, Fach, Greene, Lincoln, Murphy, Renner  
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

**12C-0248 – ANNUAL FIRE REPORT BY THE GALENA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Galena Fire Chief Mike Simmons gave his annual report and answered questions from the council.

**12C-0249 – FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS (ALTERNATE REVENUE SOURCE), SERIES 2012A AND GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS (ALTERNATE REVENUE SOURCE), SERIES 2012B, OF THE CITY OF GALENA, JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING A CERTAIN HERETOFORE ISSUED AND NOW OUTSTANDING OBLIGATION, PLEDGING CERTAIN REVENUES OF THE CITY TO THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS, PROVIDING FOR THE EXECUTION OF AN ESCROW AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH SAID ISSUANCE AND PROVIDING FOR THE IMPOSITION OF TAXES TO PAY THE SAME**

**Motion:** Fach moved, seconded by Painter to approve the first reading of 12C-0249 and waive the second reading.

**Discussion:** None

**Roll Call:** AYES: Fach, Greene, Lincoln, Murphy, Painter, Cording, Renner  
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

**12C-0250 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON HIRING NEW GALENA CHIEF OF POLICE**

**Motion:** Cording moved, seconded by Painter for the appointment of Lori Huntington as police chief effective June 16 at a salary of \$58,000 with appointment through current appointment year ending May 2013.

**Discussion:** None

**Roll Call:** AYES: Greene, Lincoln, Murphy, Painter, Cording, Fach, Renner

NAYS: None

The motion carried.

**12C-0251 – WARRANTS**

**Motion:** Murphy moved, seconded by Fach, to approve the Warrants as presented.

**Discussion:** None.

**Roll Call:** AYES: Lincoln, Murphy, Painter, Cording, Fach, Greene, Renner  
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

**12C-0252 – ALDERPERSONS' COMMENTS**

**Music-** Murphy stated that he hopes that since they did not pass the change to the music request that the city is going to approve other entertainment.

**Plastic Bag Reduction-** Painter stated that the project was working well at the Food Party and Piggly Wiggly.

**Inferior Housing-** Painter would like a report on the progress of the inferior housing project from Duff Stewart. Cording agreed.

**Ramp Jam-** Painter wanted to know how the event went. Fach stated that it was a limited success and they are thinking of having one in the fall. He reported only one causality that of a lady falling on the sidewalk.

**City Bond-** Cording thanked Moran for his work on the bond.

**Tour Guide Information Committee-** Cording stated she was looking forward to serving on the committee.

**Music Permits-** Fach stated that the council should revisit Main Street Performing Art Music Permits.

**12C-0253 – CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

**General obligation bond-** Moran stated that the bonds have been sold and would the city \$194,551 over the next five years.

**Sub Standard Housing Report-** Moran stated that Duff Stewart would give a report at the next council meeting.

**Business License-** Moran stated that the city does not have the authority to do business licenses but might be able to issue fire safety licenses.

**Solar Project-** stated that the project was coming together.

**12C-0254 – MAYOR'S REPORT**

**Retirement and Hiring-** Mayor Renner thanked Police Chief Westemeier for his service and congratulated Lori Huntington as being appointed Chief.

**12C-0255 – MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Motion:** Cording moved, seconded by Painter, to recess to Executive Session to discuss the following:

- Purchase or lease of real estate, Section 2 (c) (5)
- Review of Executive Session Minutes, Section 2 (c) (21)

**Roll Call:** AYES: Murphy, Painter, Cording, Fach, Greene, Lincoln, Renner  
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 7:40 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:43 p.m.

**12C-0216 - ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Murphy moved, seconded by Fach, to adjourn.

**Discussion:** None.

**Roll Call:** AYES: Greene, Lincoln, Murphy, Painter, Cording, Fach, Renner  
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Albaugh  
Recording Secretary