

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF 27 OCTOBER 2014

14C-0419 – CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Renner called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Chambers at 101 Green Street on 13 October 2014.

14C-0420 – ROLL CALL

Upon roll call the following members were present: Bernstein, Fach, Greene, Kieffer, Lincoln, Painter, Renner

14C-0421 – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

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

14C-0422 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was recited.

14C-0423 - REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

None.

14C-0424 – PUBLIC COMMENTS

Andy Roth, 306 S. Main Street – Roth advised he was present on behalf of Amelia's Galena Ghost Tours. He noted they attempted to get a third unrestricted trolley license approved for over three years. Council wouldn't allow a third license. He questions why it is now a free for all? He stated he has lots of questions that will go unanswered.

James Wirth, 121 S. High Street – Wirth spoke with regard to item 14C-0406, Discussion and Possible Action on a Request by the Galena Area Chamber of Commerce to Sublease the Lower Level of the Railroad Depot. It is his understanding that some progress has been made with the possibility of a local not-for-profit artist guild that has an interest. He stated he would endorse this as it would be great to have. It would be an attraction and would enable the building to be open for the restroom facilities. He looks forward to seeing some possibilities of keeping the building open for visitors and citizens while keeping with the historic heritage of the building.

Clint Hillary, Galena Trolley Tours – Hillary introduced himself as the Compliance & Safety Director for Galena Trolley Tours. He advised he has a degree in occupational safety along with 15 years' experience in dealing with the Department of Transportation and the Federal Motor Carrier Division. Galena Trolley Tours recently went through a state and federal two day audit. The unsatisfactory safety rating has been lifted. Galena Trolley Tours has been given the ability to operate again. This was an extensive audit and they are pleased with the plans in place. Lots of stringent guidelines will be put in place for drivers, vehicles and everything else. He noted Galena Trolley Tours is a safe company to operate.

PUBLIC HEARING

Motion: Greene moved, seconded by Kieffer, to open the Public Hearing on the proposed first amendment to the Annexation Agreement between the City of Galena and Linda Pluym, Kenneth Pluym, and Rick Hochman for territory commonly known as "Cobblestone Crossing".

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Fach, Greene, Kieffer, Lincoln, Painter, Bernstein, Renner

NAYS: None

The motion carried.

14C-0425 – PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE ANNEXATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GALENA AND LINDA PLUYM, KENNETH PLUYM, AND RICK HOCHMAN FOR TERRITORY COMMONLY KNOWN AS “COBBLESTONE CROSSING”

Testimony: Dave Jansen, 108 Country View Court – Jansen stated, on behalf of the Board of Directors for Cobblestone Crossing, they fully support the turning over of the streets to the city which would include maintenance. They have been maintaining them since the beginning, even when the developer left town for three or four years. The property owners feel it is time as they have been paying taxes all of these years for those services and have not been getting them. They understand the streets have to be a certain standard. The new developer has done a superior job with the streets and improvements to the entire development.

The other issue is the sidewalks. Jansen stated he understands there is a provision in the annexation agreement for the developer to build sidewalks. The property owners are not interested in having sidewalks. He doesn't know where they would go as the nearest sidewalk is along Highway 20. It would be a sidewalk system to nowhere. The association doesn't want the responsibility or liability to maintain those sidewalks. He urged the Council to reconsider the sidewalks. He noted there are other developments in town that don't have sidewalks as well as many streets that don't have sidewalks. Many property owners were present to support Jansen's statements.

Motion: Greene moved, seconded by Kieffer, to close the Public Hearing on the proposed first amendment to the Annexation Agreement between the City of Galena and Linda Pluym, Kenneth Pluym, and Rick Hochman for territory commonly known as “Cobblestone Crossing”.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Greene, Kieffer, Lincoln, Painter, Bernstein, Fach, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

Motion: Painter moved, seconded by Bernstein, to open the Public Hearing on proposed amendments to Chapter 114, “Tour Operators,” of the Galena Code of Ordinances.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Kieffer, Lincoln, Painter, Bernstein, Fach, Greene, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

14C-0426 – PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 114, “TOUR OPERATORS,” OF THE GALENA CODE OF ORDINANCES

Testimony: Ron McIntyre, 313 Apache Court – McIntyre questioned how all of this got started? Why are we having this trolley issue? What have the trolley operators done to the City of Galena to cause this? The operators have done nothing but sell Galena. All summer long all he has heard is what is going on with the trolleys. Who started it? He questioned if the trolleys have embarrassed the City of Galena. He noted not one City Council member has ever taken a city tour. He issued the Council a challenge. He advised he would pull up out back of City Hall on Thursday at 1:30 in the afternoon to give any council members interested a free tour of Galena.

They have showed Galena to over 18,000 people. The council is now talking about limiting the number of trolleys on the street but issuing more licenses. The American Steamboat Association brings 100's of people up the river which are brought into Galena. McIntyre questions if they are supposed to call them and tell them we don't want them here because the City Council says we can't. McIntyre told the Council to go ahead and give Noreen her license. There is plenty of room. He stated Rick Pariser started a lot of this. The spin-off is ridiculous. He added it gets frustrating to hear this stuff day after day. He urged the Council to "kill it". As a taxpayer he would like this to end and for the City to let them do their jobs and stay out of their way.

Bob Roth, Attorney, Galena Trolley Tours – Roth stated we are here because the tour company in Galena for the past 30 years was selected for an audit by the Federal Motor Carrier Association. That audit took place last year. Throughout the year there were lots of calls and meetings with representatives of the Federal Motor Safety Carrier Administration. A hearing was held on September 15 and 16, 2014 at Galena Trolley Tours. Randy Seals and Special Agent Hooks from the MFSCA came to Galena and questioned Noreen Brill, Clint Hillary and myself. Midway through the second day they looked under all of the trolleys. At the end of all of this they lifted the unsatisfactory rating and upgraded them to conditional. She has been given a license to operate these trolleys intrastate. She doesn't want the right to go out of state. She wants to operate in the City of Galena like she has been for the past 30 years. When her license was lifted, it was opened up to another tour operator. They are asking for the benefit to have the same opportunity to continue. He asked the Council accept the application by Noreen Brill for the third unrestricted license she deserves. She has abided by having an office as well as storing her vehicles off of the street. When this was opened up to other operators, they were not required to do the same thing. Roth again urged the Council to give Noreen the same consideration as in the past years to operate with an unrestricted license.

Rick Pariser, 113 S. High Street – Pariser stated his residence is on the route of the trolley tours. He noted the last two speakers represented operators. He is here to represent himself and his neighbors. The City needs to be concerned about the lifestyle, peace and tranquility of the neighborhood. He got the impression that this was placed on the last agenda to push it through. He appreciated the motion to hold his public hearing. This has to be looked at from the citizen's point of view and how they are affected by the trolleys. He noted this is a privilege for the operators, not a right, and not something they can demand. There has to be caveats. When operating a trolley one consideration should be doing so with the least adversity in the neighborhoods they are going through. A lot of issues have been addressed over the years such as no diesels. We have talked about large vehicles that were oversized vehicles that were too large to maneuver down the streets. Pariser urged the Council to put someone in charge of the trolleys. Identify a position or a person to oversee them. He advised he queried Chief Lori Huntington to see how many enforcement actions were taken in the past year. She had none. Pariser found it hard to believe, with all of the tours given, there were no enforcement actions at all. Someone should be tracking this. Pariser suggested looking at the economics of this as well. They pay \$150 per year to apply for a license. From what was stated earlier, one company has carried 18,000 passengers so far this year. That is approximately a quarter of a million dollars for one company. He questioned if some of that money should be coming back to the City. He suggested charging the operators so much for each vehicle which could be put in a separate fund to help maintain our historic sites

Andy Roth, 306 S. Main Street – Roth questioned what research and what study has been done to back up a third license? What has changed that now all of a sudden it can be opened up?

James Wirth, 121 S. High Street – Wirth stated he has a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration. He has worked in urban planning and has a special love of historic preservation. He has worked on several projects. He stated he comes trying to provide some background and expertise on the matter being brought before the council. He has by no means done a complete study but has spent many hours studying the Tour Operators Ordinance.

Wirth referred to Section 114.04, Annual License and Fees. He questions what the optimum number of licenses is. As the previous speaker pointed out, do we want to preclude any visitors

from taking a tour by saying we don't have the capacity to accommodate? He advised he has seen as many as five trolleys in an hour stopping in front of his home pointing out its significance to visitors. What would be the optimum number if a determination were made for that?

Wirth noted the annual license fee is \$150. Another City's tour license fees are based on percentage of revenue collected. For example the first \$2,000 of revenue is \$38.50 with each additional \$1,000 after that \$1.95 per \$1,000 as well as a 50 cent per person fee. Charleston, South Carolina has an annual fee of \$17,500. Wirth stated while he is not suggesting the fee be \$17,500, it might be worth looking at how those figures are derived at to make it equitable and fair to the tour operator and to the City.

Wirth advised the ordinance states there shall be no more than three licenses issued and outstanding at any time. He questions why there is a limit and, if there is a limit, is three the optimum number?

Wirth referred to the size of vehicles. The noted larger vehicles don't have the same accessibility as smaller size vehicles. Larger vehicles serve a purpose but are limited to the other limits where greater road space is available.

Wirth referred to Section 114.08, (C), Oversize and/or underpowered vehicles. He stated the State of Illinois Drivers Handbook states that the left lane should be clearly seen. The problem with larger tour vehicles is that when the large vehicle is on a narrow street, there are times when there are one or two vehicles behind them and they graciously try to pull to the side and the driver motions for the cars to move forward. Wirth feels the problem is that the driver cannot see what is on the other side of the trolley or bus. Those vehicles are trusting that the trolley driver did not miss something. Wirth feels this causes a danger for collision in residential neighborhoods. It is dangerous to pass any type of trolley vehicle. He noted smaller vehicles don't cause that same danger. Smaller vehicles do not obstruct the view for the person who tries to go around and they are able to move more quickly. He felt for that reason the City should limit the size in historic residential districts.

Wirth referred to Section 114.08, Section D, Operations, impeding traffic flow. Wirth stated quite honestly people taking a ride are expecting to see things slowly and not keeping up with traffic. They are going slower to show people what is here. Wirth feels this is all the more reason to have smaller vehicles. He feels it is fine to say in theory that it may or may not impede the flow of traffic. He feels this one is virtually impossible to comply with.

Wirth referred to Section 114.08, Section F, Parking, loading. Wirth stated he has concerns with trolleys loading and unloading in the street from a safety standpoint.

Wirth referred to Section 114.08, Section H, Prohibited vehicles. He questioned if Segway's were considered tour service vehicles. Are they prohibited or are they allowed under this ordinance?

Wirth referred to Section 114.01, Section E, Preservation of Streets. Wirth stated he supports the intent of the ordinance. He felt this section would be a question for engineering to determine whether a large vehicle is creating any kind of hazard on the streets.

Wirth stated he found that the ordinance in the City of Charleston, South Carolina was based upon traffic studies. It is his understanding that our City has never commissioned a traffic study for the City of Galena. He recommended having a traffic engineer look at our streets and tell us which ones are viable. Wirth advised Frank Gruber, a former resident of Third Street, is a traffic engineer who might be able to do a study. The City needs to look for the good of the visitors and citizens alike while protecting the City's integrity. Wirth urged the Council to give serious consideration to a traffic study.

Ron McIntyre, 313 Apache Court – McIntyre noted this is everything he has talked about. Cars crowd on their back ends. He has experience with Charleston, South Carolina as he has traveled there constantly. McIntyre noted Rick Pariser lives next door to one of the most historic homes in

Galena. Are they not supposed to point that out? He added if they are going to pass an ordinance for no diesels on the hill then they should include everything. He ended stating it is frustrating to hear this stuff day in and day out.

Kari Rusch, Galena Carriage Company, 9261 Rocky Hill Road – Rusch feels we should be comparing apples to apples. Charleston, South Carolina is historic and is similar; however, they have 40 carriages running on six different routes. Comparing Galena to a \$17,500 fee is not comparing apples to apples. She noted as for zero infractions, all of the operators come to work wanting to follow the law. This shows they care. She noted she would never do 4 carriages for the City of Galena. Safety is her number one priority. She would never put an animal on the street that would hurt someone.

James Wirth, 121 S. High Street – Wirth stated he did not indicate that a \$17,500 fee is appropriate. He is stating the City should look at what would be equitable for this community. He advised he did not do a comprehensive study but simply a comparison of one. Their regulations are done based on traffic studies.

Motion: Greene moved, seconded by Kieffer, to close the Public Hearing on proposed amendments to Chapter 114, "Tour Operators," of the Galena Code of Ordinances.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Lincoln, Painter, Bernstein, Fach, Greene, Kieffer, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Bernstein, to open the Public Hearing on a proposed ordinance titled "Motorized Vehicles for Hire" pertaining to Taxicabs in the City of Galena.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Painter, Bernstein, Fach, Greene, Kieffer, Lincoln, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

14C-0427 – PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED ORDINANCE TITLED "MOTORIZED VEHICLES FOR HIRE" PERTAINING TO TAXICABS IN THE CITY OF GALENA

Testimony: David O'Donnell, 4631 N. Ford Road – O'Donnell thanked the City for their swift reaction to putting an ordinance together. He stated he is not just doing this for himself but for the safety of all operators doing business. Randy Seals from the FMCSA has inspected and audited each of his vehicles. He has a clean slate with Galena Charter.

O'Donnell stated after looking at the ordinance a little closer, he noticed cab stands. He advised they do not need cab stands. He suggested making certain spots on Main Street for them to get off to the side to pick up. He also recommended making spots on Main Street for all to unload.

O'Donnell questioned if he in fact has to keep track of all fares for the City.

The ordinance includes a provision that cabs have to stand 5 feet behind each other. O'Donnell stated his main reason for bringing this up is because of other cab companies and other people doing business in Galena that are not safe and are not playing on the same ball field. O'Donnell advised he has shared different applications from other communities with Mark Moran.

Motion: Painter moved, seconded by Bernstein, to close the Public Hearing on a proposed ordinance titled "Motorized Vehicles for Hire" pertaining to Taxicabs in the City of Galena.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Bernstein, Fach, Greene, Kieffer, Lincoln, Painter, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA CA14-20

14C-0428 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 13, 2014

14C-0429 – APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT BA15-05 FOR DOWNTOWN SIDEWALK STUDY AND RECREATIONAL TRAIL ENGINEERING

14C-0430 – APPROVAL OF STRAY DOG PICK-UP CONTRACT WITH JO DAVIESS COUNTY

14C-0431 – ACCEPTANCE OF AUGUST 2014 FINANCIAL REPORT

14C-0432 – APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR GATEWAY PARK RESTORATION PROJECT

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Kieffer to approve Consent Agenda CA14-20.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Fach, Greene, Kieffer, Lincoln, Painter, Bernstein, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

14C-0404 – SECOND READING AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE APPROXIMATELY 0.10 ACRES OF STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY ADJACENT TO 208 LAFAYETTE STREET

Motion: Greene moved, seconded by Painter, to approve the second reading of an ordinance to vacate approximately 0.10 acres of street right-of-way adjacent to 208 Lafayette Street, item 14C-0404.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Greene, Lincoln, Kieffer, Painter, Bernstein, Fach, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

14C-0406 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A REQUEST BY THE GALENA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO SUBLEASE THE LOWER LEVEL OF THE OLD RAILROAD DEPOT

Motion: Bernstein moved, seconded by Kieffer, to table item 14C-0406 until the next regular meeting.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Kieffer, Lincoln, Painter, Bernstein, Fach, Greene, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

14C-0433 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE ANNEXATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GALENA AND LINDA PLUYM, KENNETH PLUYM, AND RICK HOCHMAN FOR TERRITORY COMMONLY KNOWN AS “COBBLESTONE CROSSING”

Motion: Greene moved, seconded by Lincoln, to approve the first amendment to the Annexation Agreement between the City of Galena and Linda Pluym, Kenneth Pluym, and Rick Hochman for territory commonly known as “Cobblestone Crossing”.

Discussion: Greene feels it is about time the City does something out there. He noted there are lots of areas in town that don't have sidewalks. He was in favor of eliminating the sidewalk requirement.

Lincoln stated he didn't agree last time and is still not 100 percent agreeable this time. Should the City move to allow the removal of the sidewalks, Lincoln recommended looking at the subdivision standards and removing the sidewalk language. He felt the whole point of the language was to encourage developments to put sidewalks in. Lincoln stated he would not be in favor of removing the sidewalks but he agrees it is time for the City to take over the streets. The developer has made the necessary improvements.

Painter noted this item relates specifically to amending the annexation agreement. She feels it is unfortunate that we have areas without sidewalks. If we don't start requiring them, we are just going to get more and more areas without them. She would, however, agree the City should begin plowing the streets.

Mayor Renner questioned if the property owners had the responsibility of paying for the installation of the sidewalks? Mr. Jansen advised they did no.

Mayor Renner called the developer, Don Wiene forward. Renner advised back in 2002 when he was sitting on the Zoning Board and the plans were provided, the plans indicated 12 single family dwellings, 5 quads and 21 duplexes. Renner questioned if that was still the plan. Wiene indicated it was. Renner further questioned if Wiene had seen the agreement which included the requirement for the sidewalks to be on one side. Wiene indicated he had.

Fach stated the last time this came up before the City Council he was definitely against the idea of letting the developer out of the sidewalk requirement. Fach agreed with Lincoln. He questioned when, if ever, would the City decide to enforce this requirement. He agrees if we aren't going to enforce it, it should be removed from the ordinance.

Mayor Renner noted both Maple Ridge and Scenic Meadows have installed sidewalks.

Fach questioned if the City would be liable should a child be in the street on a tricycle and get hit. Nack advised the City wouldn't necessarily be liable, however, it would depend on the facts of the case.

Bernstein stated while they might not feel the sidewalks are necessary now, it could become a problem down the Road. Renner agreed stating they would then ask the City to install them at the City's expense.

Roll Call: AYES: Lincoln, Greene, Kieffer
NAYS: Painter, Bernstein, Fach

The motion was denied. (A super majority was required for approval).

14C-0434 – FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT OWNERSHIP BY DEDICATION OF THE PUBLIC STREETS, SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM, WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, AND STORM WATER SYSTEM IN THE COBBLESTONE CROSSING SUBDIVISION

A motion to approve was made and later withdrawn.

Discussion: Fach questioned if it is a sure thing that the street lights will be put in as specified. Moran advised there would be no guarantee of that. He provided a list of what the deficiencies are at this time (i.e., street lighting, sidewalks and areas of rip rap). Moran advised typically the city would not accept ownership until all of these things were complete.

Painter stated, while she is not doubting the contractor, it is not good practice to accept things prior to them being complete. She would be agreeable to only taking over the plowing of the streets at this time.

Greene felt there was no reason this should not be passed. He doesn't see a problem with approving it. Kieffer agreed. They feel Mr. Wienen will do the right thing out there.

Bernstein disagreed. Unexpected things can happen. She feels it is prudent to wait until everything is complete before accepting. Lincoln agreed stating it is clearly spelled out what needs to be done. He too would be in favor of taking over the plowing of the streets.

Fach feels the experience with this whole development has been enough that the City should exhibit prudence.

Motion: Painter moved, seconded by Fach, to table item 14C-0434 until all items are completed but agree to taking over the plowing of the streets for the winter.

Roll Call: AYES: Bernstein, Fach, Lincoln, Painter
NAYS: Greene, Kieffer

The motion carried.

14C-0435 – SECOND READING AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 114, "TOUR OPERATORS" OF THE GALENA CODE OF ORDINANCES

A motion to approve was made and later withdrawn.

Discussion: Fach questioned why something isn't written into the ordinance for those businesses who come into the City, load passengers within the city, take them out of town for a tour and then return to discharge passengers at a restaurant.

Nack advised it would be very difficult to regulate businesses outside of Galena. Tour busses are exempt because they are licensed for interstate travel.

Renner questioned if Council wished to consider raising the fees. Painter noted one thing not mentioned is the trolley companies do pay an entertainment tax.

Painter stated she is in favor of a third license. She noted as the council makes decisions, they sometimes receive more information, are able to think about it more, and make changes. The City had an ordinance with a lot of holes in it.

At any one given time each company can have three vehicles on the route. The trolleys are limited to designated routes.

Fach would like to look at other cities to see what they have elected to do as solutions to problems. He was in favor of opening up multiple unrestricted licenses and questioned if we could do a traffic study.

Bernstein stated she would be in favor of putting someone in charge. She feels it would be useful to designate someone on the staff that people could turn to if they have complaints and/or questions.

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Painter, to table item 14C-0435, approval of an Ordinance amending Chapter 114, "Tour Operators" of the Galena Code of Ordinances.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Kieffer, Lincoln, Painter, Bernstein, Fach, Greene, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

14C-0436 – SECOND READING AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE TITLED "MOTORIZED VEHICLES FOR HIRE" PERTAINING TO TAXICABS IN THE CITY OF GALENA

Motion: Painter moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve an ordinance titled "Motorized Vehicles for Hire" pertaining to taxicabs in the City of Galena.

Discussion: Renner questioned if there needs to be a restriction on the number of vehicles allowed per business. Council discussed and agreed to deal with it if a problem arises.

Moran advised it is necessary for the operator to maintain a manifest that includes the fares he collects. This would provide a good record if we were following a lead to determine if an individual is here or there at a particular time.

Roll Call: AYES: Greene, Kieffer, Lincoln, Painter, Bernstein, Fach, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

14C-0437 – FIRST READING OF AN ELECTRIC FRANCHISE ORDINANCE WITH JO CARROLL ENERGY

Motion: Painter moved, seconded by Fach, to approve the first reading of an Electric Franchise Ordinance with Jo Carroll Energy.

Discussion: Painter was in favor of approving the first reading but felt we should work on the exclusivity clause and the length of time of the ordinance. She would like to see 5 or 10 years. She also recommended requesting a plan from Jo Carroll lighting on the installation of LED lighting. She was opposed to approving in its current state.

Lincoln agreed the City needs to keep on top of them with regard to LED lights. He questioned what would happen if the City were to put provisions in and they don't agree to it.

Kieffer was in favor of a 5 year agreement. Painter was concerned with only a 5 year agreement, we wouldn't get the LED lights installed.

Bernstein was also concerned with the exclusivity language. Because there is so much in the works with alternative energy, she feels this would be a mistake. She would prefer to explore further.

Nack advised they could go with a 15 year agreement for simply the distribution of energy. The City could also build in a penalty if they fail to get the LED lights installed.

Amended

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Bernstein, to amend the motion to make it a 5 year agreement.

Amended

Roll Call:

AYES: Bernstein, Fach
NAYS: Painter, Greene, Kieffer, Lincoln

The amended motion was denied.

Main

Motion

Roll Call:

AYES: Lincoln, Painter, Bernstein, Greene, Kieffer, Renner
NAYS: Fach

The motion was approved.

14C-0438 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A PETITION TO THE JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD OF APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEWEY AVENUE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Motion: Greene moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve sending a petition to the Jo Daviess County Board of Appropriation for the Dewey Avenue Bridge Replacement Program.

Discussion: Council would like to move as quickly as possible on this.

Roll Call:

AYES: Bernstein, Fach, Greene, Kieffer, Lincoln, Painter, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

14C-0439 – WARRANTS

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Painter to approve the Warrants as presented, Item 14C-0439.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call:

AYES: Fach, Greene, Kieffer, Lincoln, Painter, Bernstein, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

14C-0440 – ALDERPERSONS' COMMENTS

Trolleys – Bernstein wished to clarify the comment made that no council member has ever taken a trolley tour. She has taken a tour. Lincoln agreed stating he has taken a motorized and walking tour.

Fire Department – Painter commended the Fire Department and expressed thanks for their fine open house. It was very interesting and the Fire Department is a very professional department to be very proud of.

Snow Plowing – Painter stated she would like to look at some type of alternate side plowing on some of the streets. This would make it possible to get one whole side of the street plowed up to the corner. While she understands it would be complicated, there are some areas that would really benefit from it.

Busy Weekend – Lincoln noted the town was very busy this weekend. Everyone did a nice job. The Halloween parade was a big success. He doesn't know if we will ever be able to top the weather. The volunteers were great.

Trolleys – Lincoln stated he would like to see they trolley groups getting along. They need to set a good example. We have been down this road more than enough times.

Trolleys – Greene noted the trolley problems today are nothing compared to 10 years ago.

October – Greene stated he doesn't think the town has ever been busier for the month of October.

Halloween Parade – Fach stated we had an impressive crowd for the Halloween parade.

Parking – Fach suggested looking into parking cars below the dike between the river and the dike on busy weekends.

Thank you – Fach thanked Mayor Renner for his help with the Halloween parade.

14C-0441 – CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Tax Levy – The Tax Levy will be on the next agenda.

Shred & Recycle – The first annual shred and recycle event is scheduled for Friday, October 31, 2014 from 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. We will also be accepting batteries and CFL bulbs as well.

Sustainability Award – Moran announced he and Mayor Renner traveled to Chicago to accept the sustainability award. There were 24 awards given out for the whole state of which 5 were cities.

Third & Rives – Moran announced the City has received a \$199,000 grant for installation of sewer on Third and Rives. He thanked Sharon Peppin for her work in writing the grant.

14C-0442 – MAYOR'S REPORT

October has been a very busy month. Renner stated he would like to see how many amendments have been made to the trolley ordinance since its inception. He hopes all can get along and move ahead.

14C-0443 - ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Bernstein to adjourn.

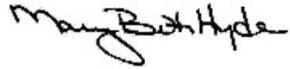
Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Greene, Kieffer, Lincoln, Painter, Bernstein, Fach, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Beth Hyde". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Mary Beth Hyde
City Clerk