

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF 13 APRIL 2015

15C-0122 – 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 April 2015.

15C-0123 – ROLL CALL

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

15C-0124 – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

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

15C-0125 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was recited.

15C-0126 - REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE

None.

15C-0127 – PUBLIC COMMENTS

Lori Swalley, 533 Wann Street – Swalley urged the Council to consider limiting the amount of cab licenses issued in the City of Galena.

LIQUOR COMMISSION

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Greene, to adjourn as the City Council and reconvene as the Liquor Commission.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

15C-0127B – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES FOR THE PERIOD MAY 1, 2015 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2016

Motion: Painter moved, seconded by Lincoln, to approve the renewal of liquor licenses for the period May 1, 2015 through April 30, 2016 as presented with the exception of the Gold Room pending receipt of a lease.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

Motion: Bernstein moved, seconded by Painter, to adjourn as the Liquor Commission and reconvene as the City Council.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA CA15-06

15C-0128 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 23, 2015 AND SPECIAL MEETING OF APRIL 06, 2015

15C-0129 – APPROVAL OF RENEWAL OF AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT FOR MAINTENANCE/JANITORIAL SERVICES WITH JEREMY WHITE AND WHITE CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR TURNER HALL FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 14, 2015 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2016

15C-0130 – APPROVAL OF RENEWAL OF AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT FOR MAINTENANCE/JANITORIAL SERVICES WITH JEREMY WHITE AND WHITE CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 14, 2015 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2016

15C-0131 – APPROVAL OF TOUR OPERATORS LICENSES AND TOUR SERVICE LICENSES FOR THE PERIOD MAY 1, 2015 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2016

15C-0132 – ACCEPTANCE OF FEBRUARY 2015 FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Lincoln, to approve Consent Agenda CA15-06 as presented.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

15C-0133 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON VISITGALENA.ORG FISCAL YEAR 2015-16 OPERATING BUDGET

Motion: Painter moved, seconded by Bernstein, to approve the VisitGalena.org Fiscal Year 2015-16 Operating Budget.

Discussion: Chris Hamilton, Executive Director for VisitGalena.org, presented the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Operating Budget.

Painter felt they have set aggressive targets in terms of revenues and questioned if those figures are based on trending. Hamilton advised they are going to attempt to get more in lodging revenues than what has been budgeted. The marketing plan has been increased by \$25,000. Digital marketing makes up for 61 percent of that total.

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

The motion carried.

15C-0134 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A SPECIAL SERVICE AREA WITHIN THE CITY OF GALENA FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE

Motion: Lincoln moved, seconded by Painter, to approve a resolution supporting and authorizing the creation of a Special Service Area within the City of Galena for ambulance service.

Discussion: Lincoln stated, while he hates to see people pay more taxes for services, this is well needed for the ambulance service. Renner agreed.

The County Board will hold a public hearing next November to determine the rate.

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

The motion carried.

15C-0135 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO DIAGONAL STREET

The following quotes were received:

Louie's Trenching Service	\$26,600
Earl Thompson Masonry	\$14,471 (Bid withdrawn)
Mike & Nick Sproule Construction	\$96,300

Mayor Renner advised Earl Thompson Masonry withdrew his bid.

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Painter, to approve a contract for emergency repairs to Diagonal Street with Louie's Trenching Service in the amount of \$26,600, item 15C-0135.

Discussion: Painter stated she was surprised by the huge variation in bids and questioned if we are comfortable we are going to get what we need to have done. City Engineer Lewis stated he is confident. His estimate came in in the range of \$20,000 to \$30,000

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

The motion carried.

15C-0136 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CHANGE ORDER #3 FOR THE FIRE TRAINING FACILITY

Motion: Greene moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve change order #3 for the Fire Training Facility.

Discussion: Matt Oldenburg gave a brief update on what has been accomplished at the training center along with an explanation of the changes covered in the proposed change order.

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

The motion carried.

15C-0137 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A CONTRACT WITH ADAM JOHNSON ARCHITECTURE FOR DESIGN SERVICES AT THE FIRE TRAINING CENTER STORAGE BUILDING

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve a contract with Adam Johnson Architecture for design services at the Fire Training Center Storage Buildings in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.

Discussion: Oldenburg advised the plans for the barn are separate from the current project. They want to move equipment currently being stored at the old sewer plant to the barn which was inherited with the property. Johnson's services will be accompanied by Todd Birkel who is a structural engineer. Construction will start in early summer.

The old lights from City Hall will be repurposed for lighting on the inside. Water will also be installed in the building. The building will provide enough room for the vehicles with a small area for furniture storage. A small section will be used to store straw bales and pallets.

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

The motion carried.

15C-0138 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON COST RECOVERY INVOICES FOR THE MARCH 5 BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTE FE TRAIN DERAILMENT

Motion: Painter moved, seconded by Greene, to approve the cost recovery invoices for the March 5 Burlington Northern Sante Fe train derailment.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

15C-0139 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE PURCHASE OF A PAY AND DISPLAY MACHINE FOR THE COMMERCE STREET PARKING LOT

Motion: Greene moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve the purchase of a Pay and Display Machine for the Commerce Street Parking Lot as described, item 15C-0139.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

15C-0140 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A CONTRACT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A FENCE AT THE DOGE STREET WATER TOWER SITE

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Painter, to approve a contract for the installation of a fence at the Dodge Street Water Tower with Hulscher Fencing in the amount of \$13,130.

Discussion: AT & T has provided funding for the full cost of the fencing as well as landscaping and possibly a sidewalk to the fenced area. Once the fencing is installed, a plan to provide screening will be finalized to permit installation this spring.

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

The motion carried.

15C-0141 – FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO AN ANNEXATION AGREEMENT PREVIOUSLY ENTERED INTO FOR A DEVELOPMENT KNOWN AS “COBBLESTONE CROSSING”

Motion: Lincoln moved, seconded by Greene, to make a motion to reconsider an ordinance authorizing the execution of an amendment to an annexation agreement previously entered into for a development known as “Cobblestone Crossing”.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Painter, to approve an amendment to the Annexation Agreement previously entered into for a development known as “Cobblestone Crossing”.

Discussion: The amendment moves the sidewalk to the North side.

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

The motion carried.

15C-0142 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-126 OPERATING BUDGET

Motion: Bernstein moved, seconded by Painter, to postpone action on the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Operating Budget until the next regular meeting.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

15C-0143 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF GALENA AND THE JO DAVIESS CONSERVATION FOUNDATION FOR GATEWAY PARK

Motion: Painter moved, seconded by Bernstein, to approve a memorandum of understanding between the City of Galena and the Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation for Gateway Park.

Discussion: Painter is happy with the excellent working relationship the City has had with the Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation and is glad to see it continue. It is a very well laid out plan.

Steve Barg, Executive Director of the Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation gave a presentation on the Gateway Park project.

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

The motion carried.

15C-0144 – WARRANTS

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

Discussion: Bernstein questioned if the payment to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency was for principal or interest? Moran advised we have two equal payments each year. It is for the well house at Industrial Park and the well house by the school.

Lincoln questioned why were are still paying invoices for salt. He was advised the City has purchased some salt through the County at a cheaper rate.

Fach questioned if this was final payment to Montgomery Timmerman. Moran advised we are still withholding some money as the project hasn't been finished yet.

Lincoln questioned the bill to Precision Midwest. Moran advised this was for a GPS unit to help locate amenities in the field. Staff will inventory all benches, signs, etc. This will give an accurate measurement as to where they are located.

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

The motion carried.

15C-0145 – ALDERPERSONS' COMMENTS

Charging Station – Lincoln hopes we are able to put a small minimal fee on the use of the new charging station.

Thank You – Lincoln thanked City staff for the card they sent to his mother.

Great Meeting – Painter felt there were lots of exciting things on the agenda tonight. Matt Oldenburg did a wonderful job explaining the Fire Training Center. The VisitGalena budget was very thorough. Gateway Park is very exciting. She also urged all to partake in the Peace in Union Activities. The play has been very well received. She hopes people realize what a rich legacy we have here.

Radio System – Painter hopes the City is able to use some of the additional funds from the derailment towards a better radio system as it was noted there were deficiencies with the current system.

Thank You – Bernstein thanked Chris Hamilton for the presentation on the VisitGalena budget.

Peace in Union Play – Bernstein stated she had the opportunity to attend the production of Peace in Union on Friday night. It brought home how blessed this community is to have so many people willing to use their time and talents to preserve history. Fach agreed.

Firmen – Greene gives credit to the firemen for the hours they put and the work they did during the train derailment. They sacrificed a lot and put in a lot of hours. Thank you.

15C-0146 – CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Train Safety Resolution – Moran stated he has distributed a copy of the resolution to the county and other municipalities in the county. Many will be considering it. Bellevue and Guttenburg, Iowa have contacted us as well. Menominee Township has opted not to adopt the resolution.

Canadian National – Moran advised he has spoken with a woman from Canadian National. She will be sending a letter in response to the resolution.

Appreciation – Moran advised at the next meeting he will be bringing in community members and businesses that responded to the derailment to give them thanks.

15C-0147 – MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Renner Agreed with everything said and commended Officer Keith Brandel for using the defibrillator to bring someone back to life.

15C-0148– MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

- Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance, Section 2 (c) (1)
- Purchase or lease of real estate, Section 2 (c) (5)
- Pending, Probable or imminent litigation, Section 2 (c) (11)
- Review of Executive Session Minutes, Section 2 (c) (21)

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 7:20 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:52 p.m.

15C-0149 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON EMPLOYEE HIRING

Motion: Lincoln moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve employing Kimberly Hatfield with the Galena Police Department.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

Motion: Painter moved, seconded by Lincoln, to approve the hiring of Jonathan Miller as the Building Official at a salary of \$46,000.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

15C-0150 - ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Bernstein to adjourn.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Mary Beth Hyde
City Clerk