

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF 11 JULY 2016

16C-0273 – 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 11 July 2016.

16C-0274 – ROLL CALL

Upon roll call the following members were present: Bernstein, Fach, Hahn, Kieffer, Lincoln, Westemeier and Renner

16C-0275 – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

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

16C-0276– PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was recited.

16C-0277 - REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Unified Destination Marketing Committee – Lincoln reported the services contracts have been delivered to both the city and county legal counsel. Joe Nack is reviewing. John Hay has seen it and will be discussing it at their executive meeting tonight. More updates at the next meeting.

Turner Hall Committee – Fach reported a meeting was held on July 7th at Turner Hall. He presented a copy of the minutes. The Galena Festival of Performing Arts held two events this past weekend. They had 300 people on Friday night and 250 people on Saturday night. They will be holding more events this weekend. Fach encouraged council to show their support by attending.

16C-0278 – PUBLIC COMMENTS

Eric Lieberman, 751 Dewey Avenue – Lieberman made comments with regard to the Minutes of the Meeting of June 27, 2016 and the proposed ordinance regarding the zoning change for Grace Episcopal Church. Lieberman voiced concern with the motion for item 16C-0264. Lieberman feels the condition of requiring the applicant to meet these requirements was left out of the motion. The motion should have required that, prior to issuance of any building permit allowing new construction or excavation on the site, the applicant for the permit shall provide proof of the following requirements having been met. The focus is to make sure no permit could be granted without the right studies. With regard to the studies being performed, the studies the council discussed were a geotechnical engineering study and a slope stability study. Lieberman feels the first line of the motion needs to be corrected to reflect that. The Certified Elevation study should be provided on an on-going basis throughout the process.

With regard to the ordinance amending the zoning map, Lieberman believes the ordinance should reflect that before any applicant for a building permit is granted they have to comply with the conditions that should be in the motion.

James Wirth, 121 S. High Street – Wirth spoke with regard to what he feels are unintentional discrepancies between Galena's Class "M" and Class "N" Liquor Licenses. He feels the Class "N" license provides more protection for residents in a commercial neighborhood than the Class "M" does for single family neighborhoods. Wirth shared possible changes he feels would correct the discrepancy.

CONSENT AGENDA CA16-13

16C-0279 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 27, 2016

16C-0280 – APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT BA17-02 FOR DOWNTOWN SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT

16C-0281 – APPROVAL OF 2016 MOTOR FUEL TAX RESOLUTION

16C-0282 – APPROVAL OF UPDATE OF CREDIT CARD POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve Consent Agenda CA16-13 as presented.

Discussion: Bernstein requested item 16C-0279 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Roll Call: AYES: Fach, Hahn, Kieffer, Lincoln, Westemeier, Bernstein, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

16C-0279 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 27, 2016

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve Minutes of the Meeting of June 27, 2016 as presented.

Discussion: Council felt the minutes were correct as presented.

Roll Call: AYES: Fach, Hahn, Kieffer, Lincoln, Westemeier, Bernstein, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

16C-0283– DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A CONTRACT FOR REPAIRING, CLEANING AND SEALING THE MASONRY ON TURNER HALL

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Westemeier, to deny the bids and redid for the amount budgeted of \$9,900

Discussion: The new bids will be for a new scope of work that will not exceed the \$9,900 budget. Staff will designate the worst areas and bid those first.

Roll Call: AYES: Bernstein, Fach, Hahn, Kieffer Lincoln, Westemeier, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

16C-0284– DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PURCHASE OF NEW TASERS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Motion: Westemeier moved, seconded by Hahn, to approve the purchase of new tasers for the Police Department entering into a five-year contract with Taser International in the amount of \$2,800 per year for a total amount of \$14,129.96 for 9 tasers.

Discussion: The tasers are covered under warranty for five years.

Roll Call: AYES: Westemeier, Bernstein, Fach, Hahn, Kieffer, Lincoln, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

16C-0286– FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE REZONING THE GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH PROPERTY AT 309 HILL STREET FROM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT WITH AN UNDERLYING DISTRICT OF LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve the first reading of an ordinance rezoning the Grace Episcopal Church Property at 309 Hill Street from Low Density Residential to Planned Unit Development with an underlying district of Low Density Residential, 16C-0286.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Bernstein, Fach, Hahn, Kieffer, Lincoln, Westemeier, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

16C-0287– DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON IDENTIFYING PROPERTIES THAT ARE CANDIDATES FOR ANNEXATION

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Bernstein, to instruct staff to study and give a report on properties that would be candidates for forced annexation with three sides or more.

Discussion: Fach advised he is familiar with three properties hanging out there. There might be others out there that staff could identify. He feels it is time to get serious about bringing them into the fold.

Lincoln stated he doesn't support any kind of forced annexation.

Hahn noted this would simply be identifying properties that are candidates. In order to force annexation, it would have to be brought back for a vote.

Fach feels it is important for the governing body to know what is out there.

Roll Call: AYES: Fach, Hahn, Kieffer, Westemeier, Bernstein
NAYS: Lincoln

The motion carried.

16C-0288 – WARRANTS

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Westemeier, to approve the Warrants as presented, 16C-0288.

Discussion: Bernstein questioned what the payments to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency were for. Moran advised they were for operating fees for the sewage treatment plant and storm water fees.

Roll Call: AYES: Lincoln, Westemeier, Bernstein, Fach, Renner
NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Hahn, Kieffer

The motion carried.

16C-0289 – ALDERPERSONS' COMMENTS

Ridge Street – Lincoln reported trees overhanging the sidewalk across from Galena Ridge Dry Cleaners.

Sidewalk – Lincoln reported the water box in the sidewalk in front of the old Rendezvous coffee shop is loose.

Pool – Lincoln stated he had the pleasure of spending Saturday afternoon at the pool. He thanked Janelle Keeffer and staff or the upkeep of the pool stating it is beautiful out there.

4th of July – Westemeier thanked the ARC for activities at Rec Park. They had a large crowd out there. The town was busy and the fireworks went well. Kieffer agreed.

Deer committee – Westemeier questioned what is happening with the Deer Committee. He feels they need to get working on this before fall. Kieffer agreed.

Landscaping – Bernstein stated the landscaping around City Hall looks nice.

City Hall - Fach noted the nice cool temperature in City Hall were being provided with solar power. He thanked Andy, Mark and everyone involved in the project.

16C-0290 – CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Deer Committee – The Deer Committee was prepared to meet last Thursday but had to postpone due to lack of a quorum. At that meeting they were hoping to approve the interim report that will be presented to the City Council. The report should be on one of the next two agendas.

Public Hearing – The Public Hearing for the Palace Campground will be on the next agenda. Back in 2002 there was a problem with the legal description that was never corrected and the owner never signed.

Street Paving – Bids are going out for the street paving.

Thank you – Moran thanked the Kiwanis for the 4th of July celebration along with the G.O.A.T.S. club of Galena. The Kiwanis did a lot of work and pulled off a really great event.

16C-0291 – MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Renner thanked the Kiwanis, Galena ARC and staff for their help in providing a great 4th of July celebration.

16C-0292 - ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Kieffer, to adjourn.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call: AYES: Westemeier, Bernstein, Fach, Hahn, Kieffer, Lincoln, Renner
NAYS: None

The motion carried.

Regular Board Meeting

11 July 2016

The meeting adjourned at 7:14 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, MMC
City Clerk