

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF 26 JUNE 2017

17C-0247 – 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 26 June 2017.

17C-0248 – ROLL CALL

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

17C-0249 – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

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

17C-0250– PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was recited.

17C-0251 - REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Turner Hall Committee – The next meeting will be held at Turner Hall on July 6th at 8:30 a.m. July 7th starts the performances for Galena Festival of the Performing Arts.

17C-0252 – PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carole Sullivan, 7211 W. Buckhill Road – Sullivan thanked the City Council for putting together guidelines for retail sale of beer or wine at performing arts venues operated by a not-for-profit organization. It will be a great benefit to her not-for-profit as well as others in the community. She questioned why there was a limit of 12 uses per year on the license. She advised at the previous meeting she had requested the council to consider 3-4 events per month. She is concerned with the small performance venue the limit of 12 wouldn't cover the cost of having the license. She urged the Council to consider a larger number of opportunities for them in order to make it worthwhile.

John Huschik, 850 Shadow Bluff – Huschik advised as West Galena Township Tax Assessor, his office gets copies of building permits. While the list includes some detail, he often time needs more. Huschik gave a shout out to Mark Moran and Jonathan Miller because anytime he has asked for more detail they have gone out of their way to help the same day. They are doing a great job.

CONSENT AGENDA CA17-12

17C-0253 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 12, 2017

17C-0254 – APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT BA18-02 FOR POOL BOILER REPLACEMENT AND FINAL CLEAN-UP OF EAST SIDE GAS TANKS SITE

17C-0255 – APPROVAL OF FUNDING PLAN FOR PURCHASE OF NEW AERIAL TRUCK FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Hahn, to approve Consent Agenda CA17-12.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

17C-0240 – SECOND READING AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP FOR 513-517 BOUTHILLIER STREET FROM MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT WITH AN UNDERLYING DISTRICT OF MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Westemeier, to approve the ordinance amending the Zoning Map for 513-517 Bouthillier Street from Medium Density Residential to Planned Unit Development with an underlying district of Medium Density Residential.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

17C-0256– DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PROPOSAL TO NAME THE KIDDY POOL AFTER CLINT SITZMANN

Motion: Westemeier moved, seconded by Bernstein, to approve the proposal to name the kiddy pool after Clint Sitzmann, 17C-0256.

Discussion: Westemeier felt it was appropriate. Clint was an employee who loved the kids and the kids loved him. The plaque would be located inside the kiddy pool and would not take away from the name of the pool (Alice T. Virtue Memorial Pool).

Hahn was concerned it might set a precedent and cause more requests for monuments to be named in someone's name. Westemeier felt any requests should be handled on a case by case basis.

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

The motion carried.

17C-0257– FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 111 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO CREATE A LIQUOR LICENSE FOR PERFORMING ARTS VENUES AND GALLERIES OPERATED BY NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Lincoln, to approve the first reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 111 of the Code of Ordinances to create a liquor license for performing arts venues and galleries operated by not-for-profit corporations amended to remove the limit of 12 events per year making it unlimited events.

Discussion: Westemeier felt there was no need for a limited number. It could be monitored throughout the year and if there are any problems, it could be changed at renewal.

Renner felt it was a small venue with a small amount of people. They would be running about 33 events per year. He was in favor of no limit.

Hahn noted the Eagles Club is a not-for-profit that is only open two days per week and they pay the full license fee. Hahn felt the number should be limited to 48 and if all goes well they could negotiate for a different number next year. Kieffer agreed.

Westemeier didn't understand the need for a limit as the City will be getting Food and Beverage Tax from this. He recommended trying it for the first year to see how it goes and how many events they have and review it next year.

Lincoln felt the fee should be higher such as \$200-\$250.

Amended

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Kieffer, to amend the motion to limit the number of events to 48.

Discussion: None

Amended

Motion

Roll Call:

AYES: Hahn, Kieffer

NAYS: Westemeier, Bernstein, Fach, Lincoln

The motion was denied.

Amended

Motion: Bernstein moved, seconded by Westemeier, to amend the ordinance to remove the limit of 12 events per year and make it unlimited.

Discussion: None

Amended

Motion

Roll Call:

AYES: Bernstein, Fach, Lincoln, Westemeier

NAYS: Hahn, Kieffer

The motion carried.

Main

Motion

Roll Call:

AYES: Lincoln, Westemeier, Bernstein, Fach,

NAYS: Hahn, Kieffer

The motion carried.

17C-0258– FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 111 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO CLARIFY THE INTENT OF THE CLASS A LIQUOR LICENSE

Motion: Westemeier moved, seconded by Hahn, to approve the first reading of an Ordinance amending Chapter 111 of the Code of Ordinance to clarify the intent of the Class A Liquor License.

Discussion: The change was to add the following wording: "The license shall only be available to an establishment whose principal business is the sale of alcoholic liquor, with more than 50 percent of business income from the sale of alcoholic liquor." This language would not allow another gambling business to come in. This will allow the City to keep an eye on it so we don't

have slot machines all over town. Anyone receiving a Class A license could put machines in provided 51 percent of their sales are for alcoholic liquor. This will protect us from having them in every block.

Fach questioned who would be keeping track of the 51 percent of the business sales. He was advised the City could ask for paperwork at the end of the year.

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

The motion carried.

17C-0259– FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING WASHBURNE GARDEN

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve the first reading and waive the second reading of an ordinance establishing Washburne Garden.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

17C-0260– DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A CONTRACT WITH CHRISTOPHER FYE AND ASSOCIATES FOR HVAC DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE DEPOT

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Bernstein, to approve a contract with Christopher Fye and Associates for HVAC Design Service for the Depot in the amount of \$4,500, item 17C-0260.

Discussion: Fach questioned if we are in need of someone coming in making a study to tell us we have to heat the building. Moran advised at this point we also need to look at cooling the building as well. That part of the system is not good. They are also looking at the clean air aspect of it. Staff feels with the current code we need to take a fresh look at it all and try to make it meet codes and make it efficient. They will look at gas forced air, boiler or electric base board. The existing system needs to be completely removed due to piping damage. The boiler is shot and the radiators were all damaged. Moran advised he did talk to Lotis Engineering. Their type of review would be too costly to make it worthwhile.

Moran advised staff will be monitoring the project to make sure they don't go over the \$4,500. This bid is a lump price bid to accomplish what was proposed. The only addition would be if they have to perform bidding or construction observation.

Moran advised he had different people give different numbers. It became apparent that it would be next to impossible to put together specs internally. They all had a different opinion of what would work best. Moran stated he would make it clear the council would like it to come back after the assessment of options.

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

The motion carried.

17C-0261– DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE PURCHASE OF A NEW TRUCK FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Fach, to approve the purchase of a new 2018 truck for the Public Works Department with Galena Chrysler in the amount of \$25,000.

Discussion: Council felt it was a fair price and was from a local dealer.

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

The motion carried.

17C-0262– DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING ACCEPTANCE OF PROPERTY TRANSFER FROM THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Hahn, to accept the resolution confirming acceptance of property transfer from the State of Illinois.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

17C-0263– FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE REGULATING WAGES OF LABORERS, MECHANICS, AND OTHER WORKERS EMPLOYED IN PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS FOR THE CITY OF GALENA (PREVAILING WAGE ORDINANCE)

Motion: Bernstein moved, seconded by Fach, to approve the first reading of an Ordinance Regulating Wages of Laborers, Mechanics, and Other Workers Employed in Public Works projects of the City of Galena, amended to include waiving the second reading.

Discussion: Council stated, while it is a state requirement, they feel the wages are too high.

Motion: Bernstein moved, seconded by Lincoln, to amend the motion to include waiving of the second reading.

Discussion: None.

Amended

Motion

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

The motion carried.

Main

Motion

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

The motion carried.

17C-0264 – WARRANTS

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Fach, to approve the Warrants as presented, 17C-0264.

Discussion: Bernstein questioned the high AT&T bill for the Police Department. Moran advised he is still working with Spyglass on this issue. They are in the process of having the line test performed. There are currently two large charges for the connection between the Police Department and the Sheriff's Office. This issue should be resolved quickly.

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

The motion carried.

17C-0265 – ALDERPERSONS' COMMENTS

Recognition Dinner – Lincoln stated Saturday night was the annual recognition dinner for the Fire Department. He thanked the Mayor and Council members who attended. In the Chief's talk, he thanked the City Council because whenever they need something for a project; it has never been a problem getting the money from the City Council. Lincoln thanked Council for having trust in the Fire Department. Westemeier stated if you want to have good people you have to have good equipment.

Turner Hall – Westemeier stated Turner Hall looks nice. The work done there is outstanding.

Green Lodging – Bernstein stated she attended a luncheon meeting last week for Green Lodging. The speaker took ill so the day of the luncheon, city staff member, Janelle Keeffer, did a pinch hit. She did a wonderful job. She presented the history and explained all of the things that have been done to Turner Hall and how it is saving money. She thanked Janelle for stepping up.

17C-0266 – CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Meeker Street Tree – Moran advised he has received two bids for the tree removal. He hopes to get a third one soon.

Waterworks Building - With the dissolution of the CVB, they expect to shut down by November. The County Board has moved forward with improving the building. They plan to do a new roof, tuck point, painting and new windows. They would like the City to manage the project and invoice the County in the end. Moran advised staff is preparing to do that.

Bike Trail Project – Moran advised he received a letter from the DOT essentially telling us the Bike Trail Project has to be shut down as of June 30, 2017 due to the state budget impasse.

State Budget – The House and Senate have been called in by the Governor to hammer out the budget. There are some pretty significant items in the proposed budget going after municipal revenues. The Illinois Municipal League is fighting to maintain the LDGF. On the table now is a proposal to reduce revenue approximately \$34,000 per year. They are looking to take 2 percent off of the Sales Tax. This would be a lost revenue of \$40,000. They are proposing a 40 year property tax freeze.

Gear Street – Moran advised the Gear Street project is still up in the air. The Department Of Transportation was hoping to have funds deposited by the end of this month.

17C-0267 – MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Renner stated it was a pretty busy weekend with the wine festival, the recognition dinner for the firemen. He thanked them for giving their time. He noted the best way to get volunteers is by word of mouth. Turner Hall is looking good and the Pool is running good. Nothing but good comments to all staff. He congratulated the Police, Fire and EMS crews.

17C-0268 – MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: Lincoln moved, seconded by Kieffer, 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)

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 7:13 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 8:02 p.m.

17C-0269 - ADJOURNMENT

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

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Beth Hyde, MMC
City Clerk