

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF 24 SEPTEMBER 2018**

**18C-0355 – 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 24 September 2018.

**18C-0356 – ROLL CALL**

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

**18C-0357 – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

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

**18C-0358– PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge was recited.

**18C-0359 - REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**Turner Hall Committee** – Fach advised they are making headways on the AC on the roof. The City has contracted with a professional engineer to study various malfunctions. A crowd control manager is needed for events having over 250 people. The maximum capacity for the hall is 300 people.

**18C-0360 – CITIZENS COMMENTS**

**Teri Bautsch, 405 S. High Street** – Bautsch advised she is speaking on the issue of deer hunting in the Turney Street area. She questioned if the property owner had given permission to kill deer on their property. She advised the owner indicated to her that they do not want wild life killed or harmed. She questioned if there was anything that could be done to inhibit reproduction or possibly a catch and release program. As a postal worker she is out in the community 5-6 days per week. She is shocked and alarmed that the majority of this committee is willing to turn the city into a kill zone. Bautsch voiced concern injured deer running in any direction is the same as a deer passing through. It is an accident waiting to happen. She advised she sees lots of things on her route and she can count on one hand the number of deer she sees in this area. The Turney House is a green space prominent in the city. The topography and greenspace attracts wildlife and it becomes their sanctuary and home. The deer she has seen do not appear to be diseased, malnourished or disabled. Bautsch feels the City made a terrible mistake. She doesn't believe the survey is accurate stating we have 151 deer within the city limits and feels the city should look for another solution.

**LIQUOR COMMISSION**

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

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**18C-0361 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AN APPLICATION FOR A CLASS M LIQUOR LICENSE FOR PAUL DAVID KOLIMAS, DBA CLORAN MANSION, INC., 1237 FRANKLIN STREET**

**Motion:** Kieffer moved, seconded by Bernstein, to approve the application for a Class M Liquor License for Paul David Kolimas, DBA Cloran Mansion, Inc., at 1237 Franklin Street, 18C-0361.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**18C-0362 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AN APPLICATION BY HARTIG DRUG COMPANY, 11002 BARTELL BOULEVARD, FOR A CORPORATION MANAGER LIQUOR LICENSE FOR DAVID L. MCCABE**

**Motion:** Hahn moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve the application by Hartig Drug Company, 11002 Bartell Boulevard, for a Corporation Manager Liquor License for David L. McCabe, 18C-0362.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**Motion:** Allendorf moved, seconded by Hahn, to adjourn as the Liquor Commission and reconvene as the City Council.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA CA18-18**

**18C-0363 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2018**

**18C-0364 – APPROVAL OF HEROES FOR HISTORY STREET DANCE, SEPTEMBER 7, 2019, IN THE GREEN STREET PLAZA AND CITY HALL PARKING LOT**

**Motion:** Fach moved, seconded by Westemeier, to approve Consent Agenda, CA18-18.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**17C-0496 – SECOND READING AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE  
ADOPTING A POLICY PROHIBITING SEXUAL HARASSMENT FOR THE CITY OF GALENA**

**Motion:** Bernstein moved, seconded by Hahn, to approve the second reading of an ordinance adopting a policy prohibiting sexual harassment for the City of Galena, 17C-0496.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**18C-0346 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON DEER HUNTING SITES FOR 2018-19  
ARCHERY DEER HUNTING PROGRAM**

Moran advised they have received additional consent from surrounding property owners for the Turney Street site. The site to be hunted is just over 3 acres. The green line shown on the map denotes all property included in the application.

Fach voiced concern with the ability to follow radius lines. He feels a parcel that has a radius swinging into it should negate the whole parcel. Moran advised the map can be scaled in more.

Bernstein stated she would prefer to air on the side of caution since this is the first time the city has done this. With the concerns raised, she remains opposed to hunting within the city on private property.

Westemeier stated while he understands people's feelings, he believes we do have a problem. This is the first year we are trying something. Changes can be made next year if it doesn't work out this year. The deer are not traveling outside of the city limits. He believes the count would actually be closer to 200. The deer are producing twins and triplets every year. Something has to be done. The majority of people say we have a problem. He feels if the city keeps eliminating areas, it is wasting time. Westemeier recommends trying it and seeing how it works. Kieffer agreed.

Fach preferred to follow the recommendation of the committee and hunt outside the City Limits this year and review again next year.

**Motion:** Bernstein moved, seconded by Fach, to decline the Turney Street hunting site.

**Discussion:** None.

**Roll Call:** AYES: Bernstein, Fach  
NAYS: Hahn, Kieffer, Westemeier, Allendorf

The motion was denied.

**Motion:** Kieffer moved, seconded by Allendorf, to approve the Turney Street hunting site, 18C-0346.

**Discussion:** None.

**Roll Call:** AYES: Hahn, Kieffer, Westemeier, Allendorf  
NAYS: Fach, Bernstein

The motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS****18C-0365 – QUARTERLY REPORT BY THE GREATER GALENA MARKETING INITIATIVE (GGMI)**

Rose Noble, President, Galena Country Tourism, shared two videos they have been working on. The first, a story telling video, shows a group of friends navigating Main Street. They worked with visitors that came to galena for content. The video shows a true and authentic experience. The second video is an events video. The video rolls through upcoming events for the rest of the year.

Noble reported total interactions in June and July were 1.5 million. There were 92,094 unique visitors to the website and 7,418 visitors serviced by the welcome center.

Galena Country received nothing but great feedback from the open house. She welcomed anyone who wasn't able to attend to stop in for a tour.

Noble reported she has been working with tourism directors from various counties as well as stakeholders to try to align marketing initiatives.

Noble reported the following number related the economic impact directed at tourism for 2017:

Spending	\$196.4 Million
Payroll	\$41.2 Million
Jobs	1,740
State Tax Receipts	\$11.4 Million
Local Tax Receipts	\$5.5 Million

**18C-0366 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RENEWAL OF EMPLOYEE HEALTH, DENTAL, LIFE, DISABILITY, VISION INSURANCE POLICIES, AND HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT DISTRIBUTIONS**

**Motion:** Allendorf moved, seconded by Hahn, to approve renewal of the health, dental, short-term disability and life with BlueCross, MetLife and Dearborn National.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**Motion:** Bernstein moved, seconded by Hahn, to approve renewal of the voluntary vision insurance program with Guardian.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**Motion:** Fach moved, seconded by Allendorf, to approve the distribution of HSA funds to employee accounts, effective January 1, 2019, in accordance with the Health Savings Account Policy.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

### **18C-0367 – WARRANTS**

**Motion:** Kieffer moved, seconded by Fach, to approve the Warrants as presented, 18C-0367.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

### **18C-0368 – ALDERPERSONS' COMMENTS**

**Oktoberfest** – Allendorf stated Oktoberfest had an awesome turnout. It was very well done.

**Galena Country Open House** – Bernstein advised she was unable to attend the open house. She has, however, since had an occasion to tour the depot. She commended everyone involved with working on the project. The building is beautiful.

**City Preparedness** – Bernstein stated she attend the program at the Convention Center for City Preparedness for City Officials. The City should be impressed with how many agencies we can reach out to. It is good to take a look at and realize how protected we are as a city.

**Oktoberfest** – Hahn agreed it was a great turnout and possibly one of the largest. The Lions Club did a great job with the event. Kieffer agreed.

**Depot** – Fach noted Rose Noble made mention on how well the cooperation with city staff was for the renovation. She made mention of Janelle, Jonathan and the rest of the staff and was very appreciative of how things went.

**Air B and B** – Fach advised the City should be thinking about how much transparency we will have with Air B and B proprietors. Transparency for the citizens of the city to know who is involved with the Air B and B's. He recommended a list be provided each year published in the paper. He feels it is only fair to the neighbors to know what is going on.

**Crosswalk** – Fach stated the highlight of his weekend was watching tourists attending Oktoberfest crossing at the lights. There are no lines form them to follow. He finds it strange seeing groups of people walking across the highway with no lines. It is his pet peeve and he feels it is a dangerous intersection.

**Parker Street** – Fach advised there are a lot of weeds along the sidewalk on Parker Street behind the library and the sidewalk lights aren't functioning. The flower garden along there has been neglected all summer.

### **18C-0369 – CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

**Parker Street** – Moran advised the weeds should be taken care of. There was a point in time that the City Beautiful group was going to redo that area so city crews backed off thinking that was going to happen.

**Street Paving** – Street paving will begin this week or next at the latest.

**18C-0370 – MAYOR’S REPORT**

Mayor Renner stated it was a great weekend with Wayne Messmer singing the national anthem at the football game as well as Oktoberfest. Grant Park is looking great. He noted the City needs to impress upon the importance of safety with the hunters. He reminded Council the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> due to the Columbus Day holiday.

**18C-0371 - ADJOURNMENT**

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

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Beth Hyde  
City Clerk