

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF 22 JANUARY 2018

18C-0017 – 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 22 January 2018.

18C-0018 – ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Hahn

18C-0019 – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

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

18C-0020– PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was recited.

18C-0021 - REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Turner Hall Committee – The floor is done. It is currently curing and will be ready tomorrow. This weekend is “Whiskey Lovers Weekend”. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 8:30. The public is welcome.

Destination Marketing Organization – Lincoln advised Chris Hamilton has accepted another position and will be leaving in 30 days.

18C-0022 – PUBLIC COMMENT

Brenda Jakel, 315 Mason Street, Scales Mound – Jakel advised she has been the Childcare Director at the Arc for the past 10 years. Since taking on the position they have seen an increase in preschool numbers by 50 percent. They have added a 4 year old program in addition to the 3 year old program to maximize the numbers. The after school program has gone up by 39 percent. They are currently up to 44 kids. The program has been moved to the school to accommodate the increase in numbers. She receives calls from people looking to move to the area on a monthly basis. They have heard wonderful things about the programs and ask what the ARC has to offer. They are unable to do infants at the current location due to the fact that they can't push a crib out the door. The infant daycare availability in Galena has gone down while the need has gone up. The current capacity for infant care in homes in Galena is at full status. Daycare homes currently have waiting lists. There is a definite need for more infant daycare. She feels the ARC is a good asset. She urged the Council to help the ARC move to a new facility. The move would allow them to provide more infant daycare in the area.

Dr. Lynn Gallagher, 320 Elk Street – Gallagher shared her support for the Galena ARC. The ARC provides services to all ages from infants to seniors. She urged the Council to support the ARC financially. They have outgrown the current space. It has no handicapped accessibility and no parking. She feels the citizen taxpayers recognize the ARC is providing services that the City normally supplies.

Annie Bochniak, 111 Johnson Street – Bochniak stated because of a trust fund and donations, the ARC has grown to provide programming even the original benefactors didn't imagine. The ARC is in need of a new home. She urged everyone to remember the positive impact the ARC has had on the community. The ARC is in need of help from those it has touched. Bochniak

urged everyone to share their experiences with the ARC and remember the positive impacts the ARC has had. She urged the council to reach out to all Galenian's as a council and as citizens in support of the relocation of the ARC.

Dave Decker, ARC Director- Decker advised members of the ARC have come forward this evening to get ahead of the budgetary process. He urged the council members to talk to the citizens they represent and support the project. This is a community program. With the relocation they could expand and give the kind of rec center this community deserves. They are currently stifled in the space they are in. Decker stated the building would be a perfect place for the ARC. He urged the council to find room in the budget for the ARC. Decker suggested putting the video gaming money towards the ARC. The citizens would be aware that the city is doing it and it wouldn't be tax money. By giving the gaming money to the ARC, it would provide a place for tourists and citizens to give. Decker urged the council to consider the ARC in the upcoming budget.

LIQUOR COMMISSION

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

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

18C-0023 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AN APPLICATION BY SCI LODGING LLC, DBA STONEY CREEK INN, 940 GALENA SQUARE DRIVE, TO CHANGE THE CORPORATION LIQUOR LICENSE MANAGER TO CAROLE L. SHUTTS

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Westemeier, to approve the application by SCI Lodging LLC, DBA Stoney Creek Inn at 940 Galena Square Drive to change the corporation liquor license manager to Carole L. Shutts.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

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Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA CA18-02

18C-0024 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JANUARY 8, 2018

18C-0025 – ACCEPTANCE OF NOVEMBER 2017 FINANCIAL REPORT

18C-0026 – APPROVAL OF THE SECOND ANNUAL SHAMROCK SHIMMY FUN RUN, 8:00 A.M. TO 9:30 A.M., MARCH 17, 2018

18C-0027 – APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE ILLINOIS FRATERNAL ORDER OF THE POLICE AMENDING THE MAY 1, 2016 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING CONTRACT TO COMPLY WITH THE POLICE AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS IMPROVEMENT ACT AS IT RELATES TO DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING OF OFFICERS INVOLVED IN SHOOTINGS

18C-0028 – APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER FOR DEPOT RENOVATION FOR CABINETS AND COUNTERTOPS

18C-0029 – APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 27, 2018 HALF MARATHON AND 8K RACE ON THE GALENA RIVER TRAIL

18C-0030 – BUDGET AMENDMENT BA18-12 FOR EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT AT THE WASTEWATER PLANT

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Fach, to approve Consent Agenda, CA18-02.

Discussion: Bernstein requested item 18C-0029 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

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

The motion carried.

18C-0029 – APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 27, 2018 HALF MARATHON AND 8K RACE ON THE GALENA RIVER TRAIL

Motion: Bernstein moved, seconded by Fach, to table item 18C-0029.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

17C-0513 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON FIRST AMENDMENT TO LEASE OF WATERWORKS BUILDING

Motion: Bernstein moved, seconded by Fach, to approve the first amendment to the lease of the Waterworks Building amended to include for paper storage only.

Discussion: Renner noted at the previous meeting a recommendation was made by the City Attorney to limit the storage to paper storage and add language that there was no automatic renewal at the end of the lease.

Amended

Motion: Bernstein moved, seconded by Fach, to amend the motion to allow for paper storage only.

Discussion: Lincoln advised he would support it now as it is necessary to have it there. He questioned what the City will do at the end of the lease. He feels the City needs to start thinking about that. He would like to see the City have a plan moving forward.

Moran advised he has talked to the County and they have no interest in purchasing the building. They currently lease the building for \$1 per year.

Westemeier advised he is opposed. He feels the City has too many buildings. The County just put \$45,000 into this building. He feels the City should sell the building rather than lease it.

The County will be required to maintain repairs on the building over the next seven years.

Amended

Motion

Roll Call:

AYES: Fach, Kieffer, Lincoln, Bernstein, Renner
 NAYS: Westemeier
 ABSENT: Hahn

The motion carried.

Main

Motion

Roll Call:

AYES: Bernstein, Fach, Kieffer, Lincoln, Renner
 NAYS: Westemeier
 ABSENT: Hahn

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

18C-0031 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON KAYAK/CANOE STORAGE PROGRAM

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Bernstein, to postpone item 18C-0031 to the next meeting to allow time to see the design of the rack.

18C-0032 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A REQUEST BY GALENA CELLARS WINERY FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE CLASS H LIQUOR LICENSE TO PERMIT THE SALE OF BEER FOR ON PREMISES CONSUMPTION

Motion: Lincoln moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve the request by Galena Cellars Winery for an amendment to the Class H Liquor License to permit the sale of beer for on premises consumption with an increased fee of \$100.

Discussion: Council discussed and felt an increase in the fee of \$100 was reasonable.

Roll Call:

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

The motion carried.

18C-0033 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A CONTRACT FOR THE GEAR STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Contractor	Base Bid
Civil Constructors	\$2,472,556.30

Fischer Excavating	\$2,359,685.47
Louie's Trenching Service	\$2,393,877.44

Motion: Bernstein moved, seconded by Westemeier, to approve a contract for the Gear Street Reconstruction Project with Fischer Excavating in the amount of \$2,359,685.47, item 18C-0033.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

18C-0034 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A REQUEST BY THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS OF ILLINOIS TO CONDUCT A FIREWORKS DISPLAY IN GRANT PARK DURING THE OPEN CEREMONIES OF THE WINTER GAMES ON FEBRUARY 6, 2018 AT 5:30 P.M.

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Bernstein, to approve the request by the Special Olympics of Illinois to conduct a fireworks display in Grant Park during the opening ceremonies of the Winter Games on February 6, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Discussion: Fach questioned who would be handling the fireworks. Moran advised the seller of the fireworks will provide a pyrotechnic guy to set them off. His understanding is they will be using the same company as was used for the 4th of July.

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

The motion carried.

18C-0035 – FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE ABATING CERTAIN TAXES HERETOFORE LEVIED BY THE CITY OF GALENA FOR THE 2010 SEWER BONDS

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Fach, to approve the first reading and waive the second reading of an ordinance abating certain taxes heretofore levied by the City of Galena for the 2010 Sewer Bonds.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

18C-0036 – FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE ABATING CERTAIN TAXES HERETOFORE LEVIED BY THE CITY OF GALENA FOR THE 2012A SEWER BONDS

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Westemeier, to approve the first reading and waive the second reading of an ordinance abating certain taxes heretofore levied by the City of Galena for the 2012A Sewer Bonds.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

**18C-0037 – FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE ABATING CERTAIN TAXES
HERETOFORE LEVIED BY THE CITY OF GALENA FOR THE 2012B SEWER BONDS**

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Bernstein, to approve the first reading and waive the second reading of an ordinance abating certain taxes heretofore levied by the City of Galena for the 2012B Sewer Bonds.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

**18C-0038 – FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE ABATING CERTAIN TAXES
HERETOFORE LEVIED BY THE CITY OF GALENA FOR THE PALACE CAMPGROUND**

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve the first reading and waive the second reading of an ordinance abating certain taxes heretofore levied by the City of Galena for the Palace Campground.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

18C-0039 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON 2018 POOL SCHEDULE, FEES, AND WAGES

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Bernstein, to approve the 2018 pool schedule, fees and wages.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

18C-0040 – WARRANTS

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Fach, to approve the Warrants as presented, 18C-0040.

Discussion: None.

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

NAYS: None
ABSENT: Hahn

The motion carried.

18C-0041 – ALDERPERSONS' COMMENTS

ARC – Lincoln commended the group from the ARC for coming in. The ARC does a great service and he would like to see the City support them as well as they can. The idea of the gaming money is a good idea. He noted looking at the debt service, 2023 is the first year we will see big savings towards the annual debt service. He suggested maybe some of that could be used for the ARC. Lincoln applauds them in their efforts. Westemeier agreed.

Sign – Lincoln advised a blue informational sign on the highway near the golf course is flopping in the wind. He recommended contacting IDOT.

Shout Out – Lincoln gave a shout out to Rick and Jeff Hasken. The Hasken's recently purchased the building on Ridge Street with the laundromat. They have installed new machines, new floors and new vending machines in an effort to make it a better place.

Deer Committee – Bernstein attended the Deer Committee meeting held today. The committee will come to the next council meeting and give an updated recommendation based on the recent deer count.

ARC – Kieffer agrees with the comments made by Lincoln. He wished the ARC the best of luck.

ARC – Fach stated he too is supporting of the ARC. He understands it is a lot of hard work and it has to be proven that the money is spent for the community. He likes the gaming money idea.

18C-0042 – CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Watershed Planning Committee – Moran shared a copy of the agenda for the upcoming Watershed Planning Committee Meeting. It will be held on February 8th.

Depot Project – Moran reported the project is coming along nicely.

18C-0043 – MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Renner thanked the ARC. He encouraged them to go to other taxing bodies to ask for help as well.

18C-0044 – MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

- Sale or lease of public property, Section 2 (c) (6)
- Pending, probable or imminent litigation, Section 2 (c) (1)
- Review of Executive Session Minutes, Section 2 (c) (21)

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 7:23 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 8:04 p.m.

18C-0045 - ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Lincoln moved, seconded by Fach, to adjourn.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 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