

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF 23 JULY 2018

18C-0268 – CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro-Tem Lincoln called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Chambers at 101 Green Street on 23 July 2018.

18C-0269 – ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Renner

18C-0270 – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Mayor Pro-Tem Lincoln announced a quorum of Board members present to conduct City business.

18C-0271– PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was recited.

18C-0272 - REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Galena Marketing Committee – A Board Meeting will be held tomorrow, July 24th at 3 p.m. at the train depot.

18C-0273 – CITIZENS COMMENTS

Roger Hervey, 820 Shadow Bluff Drive – Hervey voiced concern that the Knautz building would be within the 300 feet hunting area for the location on Spring Street. Measuring 300 feet from that building would encompass approximately 98 percent of the red triangle indicated for hunting.

Tammy Lee, Piggly Wiggly – Lee advised she is requesting the Council to consider a “pour” license for Piggly Wiggly. She would like to be able to serve beer and wine to people who eat in the store as well as establish a gaming license. She advised at this point the store is struggling and she feels a gaming license will bring added revenue to the store.

Jason Wiegard, 414 S. West Street – Wiegard stated he had some questions regarding the rules for the deer hunting. He questioned if hunters would be required to track the deer down? If the deer wanders 200 yards and dies on a property, who is responsible for having it removed? If a hunter misses and the arrow is still on the ground, are there consequences to the hunter for failure to pick up the arrow? Will there be a fine? How will the arrows be tracked to a specific hunter?

Krista Ginger, 418 Harrison Street – Ginger read a prepared statement which she received anonymously.

Anna Hemm, 226 S. High Street – Hemm stated while she has resolved herself to the fact that the city will be shooting the deer outside of where people live, she is concerned to find out that they will be shooting just down the street from her home. She advised young people live in the area as well as they have animals. She stated nobody wants to see an arrow in an animal. She urged the Council to reconsider the plan to shoot the deer in residential areas.

CONSENT AGENDA CA18-14

18C-0274 – APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JULY 9, 2018

18C-0275 – ACCEPTANCE OF MAY AND JUNE 2018 FINANCIAL REPORTS

18C-0276 – APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR SECONDARY EMPLOYMENT BY MATT WIENEN

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve Consent Agenda, CA18-14.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

18C-0277 – WATER AND WASTEWATER OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE REPORT FROM AMERICAN WATER

Matt Trotter advised with the repairs to the fire hydrants, they are seeing some improvement in the unaccounted water. In May the percentage was at 31 percent and in June it was down to 16 percent. He hopes to hold that and possibly do better in July.

Acquisition by Veolia will take place August 1st. American Water will still serve as support on different aspects of things for up to two months. Veolia has made various site visits. They are in the process of hiring a Vice President who oversees this region.

Lincoln questioned if there would be any need for follow-up on the repair at the bottom of Bouthillier Street. Trotter advised they used a sleeve for the repair. Typically a sleeve has a life expectancy equal or greater than the actual pipe. It is pretty fail safe.

Fach questioned the difference between non-revenue water accounted vs. non-revenue water unaccounted as shown in table 2.7. Trotter advised the non-revenue water accounted number is anything that they can reasonably estimate, i.e. City accounts billed, would be defined as non-revenue water accounted. The non-revenue water unaccounted would be water which we have no real insight where it is going such as leaks, metering problems, etc.

18C-0278 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A REQUEST BY TAMMY'S PIGGLY WIGGLY TO CREATE A "POUR" LICENSE FOR GROCERY STORES

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Westemeier, to approve the request by Tammy's Piggly Wiggly to create a "pour" license for grocery stores.

Discussion: Westemeier stated he would be in favor of making the change. He hopes it would help her out and is a benefit for the city as well. Hahn agreed stating Sullivan's grocery stores have had them for a long time. Kieffer agreed.

Fach stated he doesn't feel a grocery store is a place for a bar and slot machines. He was opposed.

Bernstein stated she wishes there was another way to deal with the situation; however, she feels the City owes it to Tammy to support it.

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

The motion carried.

18C-0279 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF HUNTING SITES, HUNTERS AND PROGRAM RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE GALENA ARCHERY DEER HUNTING PROGRAM

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Westemeier, to approve the hunting sites, hunters and program rules and regulations for the Galena Archery Deer Hunting Program, 18C-0279.

Discussion: Kieffer advised all of the sites have been approved by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). He feels it is time to get something done.

Hahn stated it is up to the discretion of the City as to what sites and where the hunting will be allowed. If some of the spots are limited to almost zero acres, he would agree for the first year to remove those areas.

Fach questioned how these areas were added. Moran advised back in May a schedule was presented which included opening it up to private hunting spots. This was presented to the council and the council voted to move forward with the process. The City received 7 applications for sites. Letters were sent to surrounding property owners.

Hahn noted 331 letters were sent out. The only comments received are the comments given tonight. Staff will look at the properties individually. If they are too small they can be held back. He was opposed to changing the rules and regulations now. He noted the distance can be less with permission of the surrounding property owners.

Bernstein stated she would be inclined to pull the Spring Street properties given the objections that those sites are too small. She also voiced concern with wounded deer running on to the highway.

Westemeier is concerned if only the outside areas are done it is not going to take care of the problem inside the City Limits. He commended those giving the city permission to do this within the city. The problem is within the city and not the county. The hunters are going to responsible people that will take the necessary precautions. If a deer goes on to private property, they will ask permission to retrieve it. The hunters will be required to put up signs. He would like to see the city follow through with it for the first year and see how it goes. Changes can be made next year if necessary.

Fach was in favor of doing the outlying areas the first year to see how it goes. If it doesn't work then come in to the city limits.

Fach questioned what the city's liability would be should a deer with an arrow sticking in it cause an accident on the highway and a person were severely injured. Nack advised the city's exposure on that would be limited.

Bernstein was in favor of going with city properties only at this time.

Amended

Motion: Bernstein moved, seconded by Fach, to amend the motion to include only city owned properties for the deer hunting in October 2018.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion was denied.

**Main
Motion**

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

The motion carried.

18C-0280 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ZONING CALENDAR NO. 18A-03, A REQUEST BY MARY PROIETTI, 701 SOUTH BENCH STREET TO REZONE FROM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Hahn, to approve Zoning Calendar No. 18A-03, a request by Mary Proietti, 701 South Bench Street, to rezone from Low Density Residential to Neighborhood Commercial.

Discussion: Council agreed it would be a good addition to Galena.

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

The motion carried.

18C-0281 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON GLASS RECYCLING PROPOSAL

Council discussed and agreed to table this item until such time as they can get more information. Some of the concerns were: Will the bars and restaurants utilize it? Where will the bin be located? Where will the glass be stored? How will the Public Works Department handle loading the glass?

Motion: Westemeier moved, seconded by Hahn, to table item 18C-0281.

18C-0282 – WARRANTS

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Fach, to approve the Warrants as presented, 18C-0282.

Discussion: Bernstein questioned the bill to K & W Coatings, LLC. She was advised it was for painting of the structure at the Horseshoe Mound reservoir.

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

The motion carried.

18C-0283 – ALDERPERSONS' COMMENTS

War Memorial Railings – Fach advised the railing on the right side of the steps is completely rusted off on the bottom post. While the next post is secure, he is concerned vandals could get a hold of it and bend the railing.

Thank you – Hahn thanked everyone for their comments and urged staff to be aware of what they are doing when giving out permits for the deer hunting program.

Car Show – Hahn reported the car show went well and they had lots of people.

Glass Recycling – Bernstein thanked the council for their consideration of the glass recycling program. She urged them to let her know of any other concerns they might have.

18C-0284 – CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Thank you – Moran thanked Crossroads Community Church for the new kiosk at the end of the trail at Aiken. Members of the church constructed a new kiosk.

Washburn Garden – A dedication for the Washburn bust in Washburn Garden was held. Moran thanked everyone involved.

War Memorial Railing – Moran advised the railing is on the list. We are just waiting for the welder.

18C-0285 – MAYOR’S REPORT

Thank you – Lincoln thanked Louie’s Trenching for the basketball courts in Grant Park.

Thank you - Lincoln thanked all of the Galena groups for all of the hard work they have been doing lately.

Grease Spill – Lincoln noted there appears to be a grease spill on Commerce Street. He questioned if there is a way to clean it somehow to reduce the smell.

Recycling – Lincoln stated while he feels the recycling program is a great idea, he is concerned with having to do a budget amendment for funding. While he would love to see it, he feels more thought with regard to the area and cost needs to be put into it. He recommended adding it to the budget next year.

18C-0286 - ADJOURNMENT

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

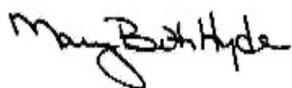
Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Regular Board Meeting

23 July 2018

Mary Beth Hyde
City Clerk