

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF 14 JANUARY 2019**

**19C-0001 – 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 14 January 2019.

**19C-0002 – ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: Hahn

**19C-0003 – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

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

**19C-0004 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge was recited.

**19C-0005 - REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

None.

**19C-0006 – CITIZENS COMMENTS**

None.

**CONSENT AGENDA CA19-1**

**19C-0007 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 26, 2018**

**19C-0008 – APPROVAL OF THE THIRD ANNUAL SHAMROCK SHIMMY FUN RUN, 8:00 A.M. TO 9:30 A.M., MARCH 16, 2018**

**19C-0009 – ACCEPTANCE OF NOVEMBER 2019 FINANCIAL REPORT**

**19C-0010 – APPROVAL OF A LOAN ADMINISTRATION CONTRACT WITH COMMUNITY FUNDING AND PLANNING SERVICES FOR THE EAST SIDE WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

**Motion:** Fach moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve Consent Agenda, CA19-1 including corrections to minutes as provided.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**18C-0489 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ZONING CAL. NO. 18PD-02, A REQUEST BY THE GALENA ART AND RECREATION CENTER, 413 S. BENCH STREET, TO REZONE TO PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT WITH AN ASSOCIATED PRELIMINARY PUD PLAN**

**Motion:** Bernstein moved, seconded by Allendorf, to approve Zoning Cal. No. 18PD-02, a request by the Galena Art and Recreation Center, 413 S. Bench Street, to rezone to Planned Unit Development with an associated Preliminary PUD Plan.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**19C-0011 – PRESENTATION BY BETH BARANSKI ON THE ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF GALENA RIVER WATERSHED-BASED PLAN**

Beth Baranski gave a presentation on the adoption and implementation of the Galena River Watershed-Based Plan. She asked the council to consider the following:

- Adopting the plan
- Making the brochure available to the public at City Hall
- Identifying goals and objectives that might involve the City
- Applying for an IEPA 319 grant to address the two high priority detention basin projects on city property
- Developing a strategy for prioritizing and completing other projects

Mayor Renner thanked the group for doing a great job and advised the Council will need some time to review the plan.

Bernstein questioned where they intended to do prairie planting along the river. Baranski advised there are no specific areas. It was just a general statement. One area might be the canoe/kayak area. More importantly, Baranski feels this will get people thinking about it if they are doing a project where it might be beneficial.

Baranski will be presenting the plan to the County Board and townships in the watershed.

**19C-0012 – QUARTERLY REPORT BY THE GREATER GALENA MARKETING INITIATIVE**

Rose Noble gave the quarterly report by the Greater Galena Marketing Initiative.

Noble shared a video of an upcoming ad campaign that will officially launch at the end of January to prepare for April events.

- Total Interactions from September to December 6,538,712
  - 9,467 Facebook page likes
  - 688 Instagram followers
  - 44,370 blog reads
  - 4,840 email subscribers
- Unique Visitors to the Website 219,026
  - 806,868 webpage views
  - 3.00 pages per visit

- 2.25 average minutes on site
- Visitors Serviced 10,555
  - 94 rooms booked via the Welcome Center staff
  - 433 Guests requested information after seeing an ad campaign

**19C-0013 – PRESENTATION BY WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM CONTRACT OPERATOR, VEOLIA, ON ASSET MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

Melissa Demsky gave a presentation on Veolia's Asset Management Program.

**19C-0014 – FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE FOR A TEXT AMENDMENT TO ALLOW ARTISAN STUDIOS BY SPECIAL USE IN LOW AND MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS**

**Motion:** Allendorf moved, seconded by Bernstein, to approve the first reading and waive the second reading of an ordinance for a text amendment to allow Artisan Studios by Special Use in Low and Medium Density Residential Districts, 19C-0014.

**Discussion:** Fach voiced concern there could be some unforeseen consequences with something like this. He is concerned there could be others in the shadows that would want to take advantage of this. He feels it should be pinned down tighter. Renner advised it could be tightened up in the definition.

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

The motion carried.

**19C-0015 – FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT OWNERSHIP BY DEDICATION OF THE PUBLIC STREETS, WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, AND STORM WATER SYSTEM IN THE GATEWAY PARK SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF GALENA**

**Motion:** Westemeier moved, seconded by Allendorf, to approve the first reading of an ordinance to accept ownership by dedication of the public streets, water distribution system and storm water system in the Gateway Park subdivision in the City of Galena.

**Discussion:** Fach voiced concern the city hasn't seen any diagrams for the sewer system. Moran advised the sewer system wasn't a part of the original plan. Since the subdivision was approved, the owner decided to put in the public sewer. The acceptance of the sewer system will be done under a separate ordinance. The spa will connect to the sewer system.

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

The motion carried.

**19C-0016 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT REGARDING STORM WATER DRAINAGE IN GATEWAY PARK**

**Motion:** Kieffer moved, seconded by Fach, to approve a restrictive covenant regarding storm water drainage in Gateway Park, 19C-0016.

**Discussion:** Moran advised, when the detention pond was put in, it was put on JDCF property. This could be construed as using the property for private purposes. In the end it was agreed the

pond was built on city property to take water from the city street. This allows the pond to remain where it is now. In the event that the not-for-profit status becomes challenged, the city agrees to move the pond to the developer's property.

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

The motion carried.

**19C-0017 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON GRANT FROM THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR RESTROOMS AT GATEWAY PARK**

**Motion:** Westemeier moved, seconded by Kieffer, to not accept the grant from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for restrooms at Gateway Park.

**Discussion:** Due to the additional cost, Council agreed to continue with the current setup with the port-a-potty.

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

The motion carried.

**19C-0018 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTRUCTION OBSERVATION CONTRACT WITH WHKS ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE GEAR STREET PROJECT**

**Motion:** Westemeier moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve an amendment to the Construction Observation Contract with WHKS Engineering Services for the Gear Street Project in the amount of \$54,724.74.

**Discussion:** Moran advised this will be paid for out of the next budget; however, it is his hopes that IDOT will cover the costs.

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

The motion carried.

**19C-0019 – WARRANTS**

**Motion:** Kieffer moved, seconded by Fach, to approve the Warrants as presented, 19C-0019.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**19C-0020 – ALDERPERSONS' COMMENTS**

**Tree Removal** – Bernstein stated it looks like the tree removal has started. With having to remove 150 plus trees, she feels the city should start thinking about a tree planting program down the line.

**Rotary Roundtable** – Allendorf advised he attended the Rotary Roundtable. The topics were timely considering the news of Honeywell leaving at the end of the year. He feels economic development needs to be at the forefront of everyone's mind. He would encourage everyone to have an eye towards economic development with decisions in the future.

**Deer** – Fach voiced concern with the removal of dead animal carcass on the weekend. He advised at present there is no removal on weekends.

**19C-0021 – CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

**Tree Removal** – Moran advised at this time the tree removal is Jo Carroll Energy trimming the trees to below the wires. They are doing such a nice job; it is allowing our guys to be able to remove more trees than expected.

**Bids** – Moran advised the bids for the water and sewer contracts went out today. The bid packet can be found on the City's website. They are due back by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

The bid for sidewalks is out. They are due back February 5<sup>th</sup>. Moran thanked Matt Oldenburg and Andy Lewis for their help with that. He urged everyone to take a look at the list of projects on the website out for bid as well as past projects. It is a good reminder of how we work as a group.

**19C-0022 – MAYOR'S REPORT**

**Honeywell** – Mayor Renner advised the City received the bad news that Honeywell will be shutting down by the end of the year. Renner has reached out to State Representative Chesney, State Senator Stewart, Congresswoman Bustos and the Vice President of Honeywell. He has not heard back from them. Lisa McCarthy has been involved with the rapid response program for employees.

Mayor Renner thanked Rose Nobel, Beth Baranski and Melissa Demsky for their presentations.

**19C-0023 - ADJOURNMENT**

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

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Beth Hyde  
City Clerk