

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF 12 AUGUST 2019**

**19C-0318 – 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 12 August 2019.

**19C-0319 – ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call, the following members were present: Hahn, Kieffer, McCoy, Westemeier, Renner

Absent: Allendorf, Bernstein

**19C-0320 – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

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

**19C-0321 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge was recited.

**19C-0322 - REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

No reports.

**19C-0323 – CITIZENS COMMENTS**

**Patricia Heim, 809 N. Clay Street** – Heim stated while she wishes the deer hunt wasn't happening, she understands why it is being done. Heim requested the hunt be done in the center of the eight-acre site or at a minimum 100 feet from the edge of her property. She voiced concern with wounded deer ending up on her property.

**Bill Fawell, 617 Ridge Street** – Fawell requested council consider some type of flexibility in the number of Air B & B's allowed. He advised he is number 2 on the waiting list out of approximately 50. He currently has an apartment which he would like to convert to Air B & B. He urged the council to consider allowing existing apartments that are not going to be rented and will have no impact on parking to be converted to Air B & B.

**LIQUOR COMMISSION**

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

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**19C-0324 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AN APPLICATION FOR A CLASS D CORPORATION LIQUOR LICENSE FOR KATI Q HOSPITALITY, INC., DBA “EMBE EATERY & LOUNGE”, 233 S. MAIN STREET**

**Motion:** Kieffer moved, seconded by Westemeier, to approve a Class D Corporation Liquor License for Kati Q Hospitality, Inc., DBA “Embe Eatery & Lounge”, 233 S. Main Street, 19C-0324.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**19C-0325 – RECONSIDERATION OF A CLASS A CORPORATION LIQUOR LICENSE FOR ELIZABETH A. KEMPNER, DBA “BUBBLY, INC.”, 116 S. MAIN STREET**

**Motion:** Hahn moved, seconded by Kieffer, to reconsider the Class A Corporation Liquor License for Elizabeth A. Kempner, DBA “Bubbly, Inc.,” 116 S. Main Street.

**Discussion:** Mayor Renner advised this business won’t open for a year. The current ordinance states a business must be open within 120 days of receiving a license. Kempner has requested that the license be approved at this time but held in abeyance until the next license renewal date of May 1, 2020.

Acting Attorney, Tom Nack advised he believes the ordinance is flexible enough to allow the council to look at individual situations. The council could allow for the license to be paid for with the knowledge that it won’t be up and running provided the business is up and running prior to the next renewal date. Nack advised another option would be the council could act to not issue the license with the understanding that they would issue a license when the business was ready to open.

Council agreed to issue the license with the stipulation that the business must be opened prior to the renewal date of May 1, 2020.

Council will review the ordinance to discuss the possibility of eliminating the 120-day language at a later date.

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

The motion carried.

**Motion:** Hahn moved, seconded by McCoy, to approve to allow Kempner to pay for the license now with the City holding it until the next renewal date at which time the business must be opened in the allotted time.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

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

**Discussion:** None.

**Roll Call:** AYES: Westemeier, Hahn, Kieffer, McCoy, Renner

NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Allendorf, Bernstein,

The motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA CA19-16**

**19C-0326 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JULY 22, 2019**

**19C-0327 – APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT BA20-3 FOR GRANT REVENUE AND EXPENSES FOR RECREATION PARK ADDITIONAL PARKING PROJECT**

**19C-0328 – APPROVAL OF THE MAY AND JUNE 2019 FINANCIAL REPORTS**

**19C-0329 – APPROVAL OF A REQUEST BY DAN MENEGUIN FOR AN ON-STREET PARKING SPACE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN FRONT OF 619 S. PROSPECT STREET**

**19C-0330 – APPROVAL OF A STREET DANCE PERMIT FOR THE GALENA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE GHOULISH GALA AT THE GREEN STREET PLAZA, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25 FROM 6:00 P.M. TO 10 P.M.**

**19C-0331 – APPROVAL OF REQUEST BY GALENA COUNTRY FAIR TO UTILIZE RECREATION PARK FOR PARKING AND SHUTTLE STOP ON OCTOBER 12 AND 13, 2019 FROM 8 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M.**

**Motion:** Kieffer moved, seconded by Westemeier, to approve Consent Agenda, CA19-16.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**19C-0332 – RECONSIDERATION OF AN APPEAL BY EBEN MOND OF A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATION DENIAL FOR NEW METAL OR COMPOSITE GARAGE DOORS AT 239 N. MAIN STREET**

**Motion:** Hahn moved, seconded by Westemeier, to approve reconsideration of an appeal by Eben Mond for a Certificate of Appropriateness denial for new metal or composite garage doors at 239 N. Main Street.

**Discussion:** Eben Mond, along with a representative from Gateway Door were present. They propose to do an aluminum frame door with insulated glass panels. The top and bottom panels would be insulated aluminum panels. The panels would be powder coated black. Mond advised the door would look like a wood painted door. Samples were presented.

There would be a considerable cost difference between the aluminum and composite door. They don't make a complete composite door. The composite material would have a fake wood look. The Historic Preservation Commission was opposed to a fake wood grain look.

McCoy voiced concern with letting modernization take away from historic preservation stating Galena won't be special anymore. He is concerned with edging away from what makes Galena unique. McCoy was also concerned with overriding the Historic Preservation Commission.

**Roll Call:** AYES: Hahn, Kieffer, Westemeier, Renner  
NAYS: McCoy  
ABSENT: Allendorf, Bernstein

The motion carried.

**Motion:** Hahn moved, seconded by Westemeier, to approve the use of an aluminum door at 239 N. Main Street.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**19C-0333 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PROHIBITING OR PERMITTING ADULT-USE RECREATIONAL CANNABIS BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE CITY OF GALENA**

**Motion:** Westemeier moved, seconded by Hahn, to permit adult-use recreational cannabis business establishments in the City of Galena, 19C-0333.

**Discussion:** Westemeier stated, while he wasn't happy when it was approved, he feels it would be foolish for the City to pass it up. It will provide tax money.

Council discussed and agreed they would like to see the number of licenses limited. Hahn recommended businesses not be allowed on Main Street and recommended taking the full amount of tax allowed.

McCoy agreed stating it is approved at the state level which puts us in it. We will still have the law enforcement and same expenses without the tax. He was in favor of allowing it.

Renner stated he is against allowing them. He prefers to let them buy it outside of the city limits.

**Roll Call:** AYES: Kieffer, McCoy, Westemeier, Hahn  
NAYS: Renner  
ABSENT: Allendorf, Bernstein

The motion carried.

**19C-0334 – FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 112 OF THE GALENA CODE OF ORDINANCES SETTING LIMITS ON THE NUMBER OF LICENSES FOR VACATION RENTALS**

**Motion:** Hahn moved, seconded by Kieffer, to approve the first reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 112 of the Galena Code of Ordinances setting limits on the number of licenses for vacation rentals.

**Discussion:** Council will review it in a year.

**Roll Call:** AYES: Westemeier, Hahn, Kieffer, Renner  
 NAYS: McCoy  
 ABSENT: Allendorf, Bernstein

The motion carried.

**19C-0335 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF HUNTING SITES, HUNTERS AND PROGRAM RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE GALENA ARCHERY DEER HUNTING PROGRAM**

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

**Discussion:** Westemeier hopes it will work better this time around.

Michael Scanlon, 1040 Council Hill Road, questioned how boundaries are defined, how they would be enforced and how a hunter would know where the 300-foot boundary line is at. He was advised the hunters have aerial maps that show the boundaries. The maps give the hunters an idea of where they can and cannot go. Patricia Heim also voiced concern with the hunters knowing where the boundaries were.

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

The motion carried.

**19C-0336 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON 2019 STREET PAVING CONTRACT**

The following bid was received:

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Base Bid</b>	<b>Alternate Bid</b>	<b>Total Bid</b>
Civil Constructors	\$156, 111.00	\$14,745.50	\$170,856.50

**Motion:** Hahn moved, seconded by McCoy, to approve the 2019 Street Paving Contract to Civil Constructors for the base bid and alternates in the amount of \$170,856.50.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**19C-0337 – WARRANTS**

**Motion:** Kieffer moved, seconded by Hahn, to approve the Warrants as presented, 19C-0337.

**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

**19C-0338 – ALDERPERSONS' COMMENTS**

**Infrastructure** – Hahn voiced concern with the infrastructure all over town. He feels if it takes raising utility rates or whatever, the city needs to start upgrading infrastructure before it all falls apart.

**Ward I Citizens** – McCoy advised the citizens of Ward I are happy to hear that there is a possibility in 2022 to hide the utilities on Spring Street.

**19C-0339 – CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

**Kayak Park** – Moran advised work would be starting on the new Kayak Park below the Gazette. The river is starting to go down.

**River** – Moran noted there has been a lot of activity on the other side of the river with boats going in and out. The City hasn't been able to get the boat dock in with flood water and the need to dredge.

**Grant Park** – The parking pads for persons with disabilities have been completed.

**Parking Study** – Staff has been working on a downtown parking study and should have it completed within the next month or so.

**19C-0340 – MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Renner thanked Jerry Kieffer for stepping in as Mayor Pro-Tem at the last meeting. Renner noted bids for the new parking at Rec Park will be going out.

**19C-0341 - ADJOURNMENT**

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

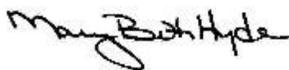
**Discussion:** None.

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

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Beth Hyde  
City Clerk