

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 138 “WEAPONS”
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GALENA**

WHEREAS, the City of Galena is a municipal corporation operating under the laws of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to restrict the use of firearms, including guns, pistols, bow and arrows, crossbows, slingshots in the city limits; and

WHEREAS, the City also desires to control the white tail deer population within the city limits by permitting archery hunting in accordance with State of Illinois laws and local rules and regulations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Galena, Jo Daviess County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION I: Chapter 138.01 of the Galena Code of Ordinances shall be amended as follows:

§ 138.01 UNLAWFUL USE OF WEAPONS.

A person commits the offense of unlawful use of weapons when he knowingly:

(1) Discharges or fires, in any part of the city, any cannon, gun, pistol, bow and arrow, crossbow, slingshot, or other firearm, subject to the exemptions in § 138.02.

SECTION II: Chapter 138.02 of the Galena Code of Ordinances shall be amended as follows:

§ 138.02 EXEMPTIONS.

(A) § 138.01(A), ~~(1)~~(3), (4), (10) and (13) do not apply to or affect any of the following:

(17) The discharge of firearms with blank rounds by the members of any military organization when on parade or in ceremony and in accordance with the command of the commanding officer, the discharge of firearms, including cannons, with blank rounds as part of a historical reenactment or celebration authorized by the City of Galena, or by any city officer or other person in the discharge of any legal duty or necessary and lawful act done in a proper and careful manner.

(18) Archery hunting, including the use of crossbow, as part of a city council approved archery hunting program intended to control the white tail deer population. Archery hunting must be carried out in accordance with the laws and rules of the State of Illinois and the City of Galena.

(G) Each violation of this section is punishable under § 130.99 and under appropriate state law.

SECTION III: All ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION IV: This ordinance shall be effective on the date of passage.

SECTION V: Passed on this _____ day of _____, A.D., 2018, in open Council.

AYES:

NAYS:

TERRY RENNER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

MARY BETH HYDE, CITY CLERK