

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF 11 APRIL 2016

16C-0124 – 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 11 April 2016.

16C-0125– ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Bernstein

16C-0126– ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

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

16C-0127– PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was recited.

16C-0128 - REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Destination Marketing Committee – Lincoln reported they have sent emails to tourism businesses trying to get their lead person to vote at the upcoming election. Ballots will be open for 10 days. The full board should be in place by the next council meeting. Once the board is set they will work on starting the rest of the list for the unification. Progress is being made.

Turner Hall Committee – Fach reported the extra concrete on the kitchen has been removed. It looks good. They will begin work on the roof. The Galena High School play is this weekend and the Earth Day Fest will be held on April 20, 2016.

16C-0129 – PUBLIC COMMENTS

Charlie Marsden, Galena Foundation, 9320 Saturn Lane – Marsden stated he and Ken Robb were present with regard to the Grant Park updates, 16C-0137. A complete survey has been completed by John Kelly. There are 90 trees in the park of which 35 are in need of trimming, 6 need cable bracing or other work and 15 are recommended for removal. Some of those to be removed have Emerald Ash Borer. There is work on the short term that must be completed prior to any long term restoration because it will require equipment and people in there over the next year. Marsden thanked Mark Moran for coming up with short term and long term efforts.

Dave Decker, Galena ARC, 413 S. Bench Street – Decker advised they would like to add 3 items to this year's 4th of July celebration. The ARC will be applying for a bingo license for bingo in the park. They are looking to do a color run. The color run would break off from the Buckhill run and go down the bike path. The colors used would be red, white and blue. They are also looking at doing a "touch the truck" event. This is an event where you bring in big equipment for the kids to explore. They will not charge a fee but are thinking about having a donation box for canned donations to be given to the food pantry.

Amelia Roth, Amelia's Galena Ghost Tours, 303 S. Main Street – Roth urged the Council to look back into the exceptions in the Tour Operators Ordinance and reevaluate how it reads. There are tour operators running regular routes in Galena and advertising that are not paying amusement tax. She questions how someone can come in and call themselves "Galena Wine Tours", use our loading zones and restrooms and not have to pay a license fee. These

companies come in here at 9:30 in the morning and sit in the loading zones. She noted she paid a lot of money to meet the requirements and asked for a level playing field for all. Roth advised she has brought it to Mark Moran's attention. It is getting way out of control and these companies have more publicity on VisitGalena than she does.

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

The motion carried.

16C-0130 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR THE PERIOD MAY 1, 2016 – APRIL 30, 2017

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Westemeier, to approve liquor license applications for the period May 1, 2016 – April 30, 2017, 16C-0130.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

16C-0131 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A CORPORATION MANAGER LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION BY TIMOTHY M. WICKLER FOR GALENA ELKS HOME ASSOCIATION, 123 N. MAIN STREET

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Hahn, to approve a Corporation Manager Liquor License to Timothy M. Wickler for Galena Elks Home Association, 123 N. Main Street, 16C-0131.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

16C-0132 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A CORPORATION MANAGER LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION BY GREGORY GRANT SCHULZE FOR HAPPY JOE'S, 9919 U.S. ROUTE 20 WEST

Motion: Lincoln moved, seconded by Hahn, to approve a Corporation Manager Liquor License to Gregory Grant Schulze for Happy Joe's, 9919 U.S. Route 20 West, 16C-0132.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

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

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA CA16-07

16C-0133 – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 28, 2016 AND SPECIAL MEETING OF APRIL 4, 2016

16C-0134 – APPROVAL OF TOUR OPERATORS AND TOUR GUIDE LICENSES FOR THE PERIOD MAY 1, 2016-APRIL 30, 2017

16C-0135 – ACCEPTANCE OF FEBRUARY 2016 FINANCIAL REPORT

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Fach, to approve Consent Agenda CA16-07 as presented.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

16C-0136 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REQUEST BY THE GALENA ART AND RECREATION CENTER FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION AT RECREATION PARK

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Kieffer, to defer item 16C-0136 to the next meeting.

16C-0137 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON INITIATING PROJECTS AS PART OF THE GRANT PARK MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT PLAN WITH THE GALENA FOUNDATION

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Lincoln, to approve initiating projects as part of the Grant Park Maintenance and Improvement Plan with the Galena Foundation.

Discussion: Hahn stated the Galena Foundation has been doing good things for the City and he is confident anything they do will be good for the city.

The City hasn't budgeted any money this year. The Galena Foundation will begin the process and put together a plan and the City will obtain estimates. At that time, we will see what the Galena Foundation is going to match.

Charlie Marsden advised the Galena Foundation hired Mississippi Tree Service to do the tree inventory. The inventory was paid for by the Galena Foundation. The quotes for any work will be obtained by the City and will be brought back to the City Council for approval.

Marsden advised the Galena Foundation has a number of funds that could be applicable to Grant Park that have been carried over from past years. The goal from their standpoint is to work with Mark Moran to develop and identify ways to take funds they already have to put into a match or contribution.

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

The motion carried.

16C-0138 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RENEWAL OF THE JANITORIAL CONTRACT FOR CITY HALL AND CITY PARK RESTROOMS

The following contract amounts were submitted:

Mary Halstead	City Hall	\$480 per month
	Public Restrooms	\$450 per month
	North Public Restrooms at Rec Park	\$450 per month
	South Public Restrooms at Rec Park	\$450 per month
	Grant Park Public Restrooms	\$450 per month

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Kieffer, to renew the Janitorial Contract for City Hall and City Park Restrooms with Mary Halstead.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

16C-0139 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RENEWAL OF THE JANITORIAL CONTRACT FOR TURNER HALL

The following contract amounts were submitted:

Jeremy White	\$350 per month
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Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Westemeier, to renew the Janitorial Contract for Turner Hall with Jeremy White.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

16C-0140 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RENEWAL OF THE JANITORIAL CONTRACT FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING

The following contract amounts were submitted:

Jeremy White \$110 per month

Motion: Hahn moved, seconded by Fach, to renew the Janitorial Contract for the Public Works building with Jeremy White, 16C-0140.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

16C-0141 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE JANITORIAL CONTRACT FOR THE MARKET HOUSE PUBLIC RESTROOMS

The following contract amounts were received:

Kathleen Doig \$450
HyKleen Services – Dubuque \$521
Mary Halstead \$578
Beautiful Restorations – Galena \$750

Motion: Kieffer moved, seconded by Hahn, to approve the contract with Kathleen Doig for the Janitorial Contract for the Market House Restrooms.

Discussion: Fach recommended council consider going with Mary Halstead for \$578 as she has done a superior job with City Hall, the City Hall Restrooms and the parks. She is a hard worker and very particular.

Council questioned if there has been any problems with the performance by Doig. Moran advised Doig was working there when the City took over the restrooms. We continued to keep her in place. The City didn't have a strict guideline set up for her so it is hard to evaluate. Through observation, it seems she could have done some better work at times. Moran feels with the new checklist it will be easier to gage efficiency of the job.

Council discussed and agreed to contract with Kathleen Doig for a probationary period with an evaluation after 3 months.

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

The motion carried.

16C-0142 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A CONTRACT WITH AZAVAR AUDIT SOLUTIONS FOR A REVENUE RECOVERY AUDIT

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Hahn, to approve entering into a contract with Azavar Audit Solutions for a Revenue Recovery Audit, 16C-0142.

Discussion: Moran advised the company comes in on a contingency basis. They will audit the state sales tax to make sure all of our businesses are paying sales tax to the Department of Revenue and that the Department of Revenue is paying the city. Sometimes a business will be annexed and the Department of Revenue doesn't make the change. Anything recovered would be shared at 45 percent with Azavar for each of the first 3 years.

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

The motion carried.

16C-0143 – WARRANTS

Motion: Fach moved, seconded by Lincoln, to approve the Warrants as presented, 16C-0143.

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

16C-0144 – ALDERPERSONS' COMMENTS

Tour Operators – Fach referred to the comments made by Amelia Roth. He too feels other operators are coming in and pirating business. Something needs to be done. We have people converging in and taking and not paying their fair share. How do we tighten this thing up? Hahn agreed.

Galena ARC – Hahn thanked the Galena ARC for all that they do for the kids of Galena. He looks forward to working with them in the future. Kieffer agreed.

Trees – Lincoln questioned if the trees in Cemetery Park were affected by the emerald ash borer. Moran advised they were not. The trees removed were damaged trees.

Cemetery Park – Lincoln noted there is still ground work that needs to be done with regard to the electrical work that was done at Cemetery Park. Moran advised we are waiting for Jo Carroll to pull the wooden poles. Top Notch will come in a complete the work once the poles are removed.

16C-0145 – CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The budget will be presented at the next meeting for final approval.

16C-0146 – MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Renner referenced the comments made by Amelia Roth. He feels it is something the Council is going to have to jump in to. If they are doing business, they should be required to

abide by the rules. Staff will sit down with the City Attorney and take a look at the exceptions to make it a fairer playing field.

Mayor Renner thanked the Galena ARC for the 4th of July activities planned.

16C-0147 – MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

- Collective negotiating matters and deliberations concerning salary schedules, Section 2 (c) (2)
- Review of Executive Session Minutes, Section 2 (c) (21)

Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 7:09 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 8:08 p.m.

16C-0148 - ADJOURNMENT

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

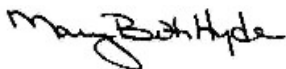
Discussion: None.

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

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Beth Hyde, MMC
City Clerk