



**Minutes of the Village Council Meeting
February 26, 2007**

On Monday, February 26, 2007 the Village of Galena Council meeting was called to order at 7:09 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 9 W. Columbus St., by Mayor Tom Hopper.

Roll Call

Present

Tom Hopper, Mayor
Roberta Miller, Council Member
Jim Slifko, Council Member
David Simmons, Council President

Nancy Feole, Council Member
Marty Mazzie, Fiscal Officer
Chris Underwood, Council Member
Ed Karn, Council Member

Also Present

Kenneth Molnar, Village Solicitor
Dave LaValle, Public Service Director
Michelle Dearth, Assistant to Fiscal Officer
Susie Kossman, Committee for Facilities
Bob Carpenter, Berkshire Township

Joseph Schmansky, Attorney
Rick Helwig, Realtor for GUMC
Bob Jablonski, PDG Consultant
Travis Eifert, Visitor, Berkshire Township
John Bland, Parks & Special Events Committee

Meeting Minutes

Dave Simmons made a motion to approve the minutes of January 22, 2007 as corrected. Several minor errors were noted. Roberta Miller seconded the motion. All said Aye in a 6-0 voice vote to adopt January 22, 2007 minutes as corrected.

Police Report

Chief of Police, Pat Bennett was absent due to illness.

Guest

Bob Carpenter, from Berkshire Township, presented a plan from John Bland to build a Light House Monument in the Galena Cemetery. John Bland arrived later in the meeting to elaborate on the projected location and design. Bob Carpenter presented this to council to get a feel as to how the Village would receive this idea to report back to Berkshire Township. There was no negative feedback from the Council Members to the proposal. It was decided the plan would be shared at the Zoning Committee meeting and someone would report back to Bob Carpenter.

Payment of Invoices for February

Ed Karn made a motion to pay the invoices for February and Roberta Miller seconded the motion. All said Aye in a 6-0 voice vote.

Fiscal Officers Report

Fiscal Officer Mazzie reported adjustments that needed to be made to the budget and Ordinance 2007-05 and Resolution 2007-01 were submitted for approval. Sixteen delinquent sewer bill letters were sent to customers.

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Ordinance No. 2007-05 (1st Reading, Emergency)

Ordinance Modifying the Temporary Appropriation Ordinance for the Calendar Year 2007

Nancy Feole made a motion to suspend the rules for the second and third reading and Roberta Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in 6-0 roll call vote:

Slifko-Yes Feole-Yes Simmons-Yes Underwood-Yes Karn-Yes Miller-Yes

Ed Karn made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2007-05 declaring an emergency. Dave Simmons seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in 6-0 roll call vote:

Slifko-Yes Feole-Yes Simmons-Yes Underwood-Yes Karn-Yes Miller-Yes

Resolution No. 2007-01 (1st Reading, Emergency)

Resolution Modifying Appropriations for the Calendar Year 2007 and Declaring an Emergency.

Jim Slifko made a motion to suspend the rules for the second and third reading and Nancy Feole seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Slifko-Yes Feole-Yes Simmons-Yes Underwood-Yes Karn-Yes Miller-Yes

Nancy Feole made a motion to adopt Resolution 2007-01 declaring an emergency. Chris Underwood seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Slifko-Yes Feole-Yes Simmons-Yes Underwood-Yes Karn-Yes Miller-Yes

Ordinance No. 2007-06 (1st Reading, Emergency)

Authorizing the Amendment of an Ordinance Adopted by the Council of the Village of Galena, Ohio on January 22, 2007 and Declaring an Emergency.

The purpose of this Ordinance is for the purchase of the property at 109 Harrison Street, Galena, Ohio for use as a Municipal Building.

Dave Simmons made a motion to suspend the rules for the second and third reading and Ed Karn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Slifko-Yes Feole-Yes Simmons-Yes Underwood-Yes Karn-Yes Miller-Yes

Roberta Miller made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2007-06 declaring an emergency. Jim Slifko seconded the motion and the motion passed with one abstention in a 5-0 roll call vote:

Slifko-Yes Feole-Yes Underwood-Yes Karn-Yes Miller-Yes Simmons-abstain

Sewer Plant Design

Bob Jablonski reported the plans are currently under review by the Ohio EPA.

Wastewater Treatment Report

Scott Jamison was not present due to illness. Mayor Hopper gave the report. Sewer plant is working fine. There was an increase in flow with the rain from thirty thousand gallons a day to sixty five thousand gallons a day.

Public Service Director's Report

Dave LaValle submitted a report. (Attached) He explained that mechanical problems in the Village's truck prevented snow from being plowed during the February snowstorms. The truck was towed to Columbus for service on February 8 and again on February 14. Fuel system problems were repaired and the truck is in service again. There was a lengthy discussion concerning snow removal for next year. Dave was encouraged to have equipment and personnel backup in place and a plan for snow removal in the business district and developments. Council suggested we use our newsletter to have residents in developments take cars off the streets so the plows can do a satisfactory job.

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Delaware County Regional Planning Commission (DCRPC)

Tom Hopper had nothing to report.

BST&G Fire Board Report

Jim Slifko had nothing to report.

Parks & Special Events Committee Report

John Bland brought a picture of the Lighthouse that he proposes to build in the cemetery (attached). The limestone comes from basement projects of Ron Severance, Ed Karn and John Bland who had materials left over. The actual place and final plans will be determined at a later date.

Zoning and Planning Commission Report

Mayor Hopper reported they did not have a meeting due to a level three snow emergency.

Eastern Delaware County Joint Recreation District

Roberta Miller reported they will be submitting a tax levy running 1.1 and 1.2 mills for the May ballot to build the Community Center. They will be sending out a letter to solicit pledges for construction of an outdoor pool estimated at around \$500,000 to go along with the Community Center.

Ohio Fallen Heroes Memorial

A thank you letter was received from the Ohio Fallen Heroes Memorial Secretary Tammy Swihart, expressing their appreciation for the donation the Village made in memory of Anthony Kinslow.

Committee for Facilities

A Facilities Committee is open for the Village residents to volunteer. John Bland, Susie Kossman and Travis Eifert, from Berkshire Township, volunteered to be on the committee.

Executive Session

Jim Slifko made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. Ed Karn seconded the motion. All agreed in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Slifko-Yes Feole-Yes Simmons-Yes Underwood-Yes Karn-Yes Miller-Yes

Council adjourned to Executive Session at 8:36 p.m.

Dave Simmons moved to reconvene and Chris Underwood seconded the motion. All agreed in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Slifko-Yes Feole-Yes Simmons-Yes Underwood-Yes Karn-Yes Miller-Yes

Council returned to regular session at 9:52 p.m.

Adjournment

Ed Karn made a motion to adjourn. Chris Underwood seconded the motion and it passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

Next Meeting

The next Council meeting is scheduled for March 26, 2007, 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at the Village Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted, Marty Mazzie, Fiscal Officer

Fiscal Officer

Mayor

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