



**Minutes of the Village Council Meeting
February 27, 2012**

On Monday, February 27, 2012 the Village of Galena Council meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 9 W. Columbus St., by Mayor Tom Hopper.

Roll Call

Tom Hopper, Mayor (Present)	Chris Underwood, Council Member (Present)
Grace Piper, Council Member (Present)	Nancy Feole, Council President (Present)
Rudy Rodriguez, Council Member (Present)	David Simmons, Council Member (Present)
Paul Bolander, Council Member (Present)	Marty Mazzie, Fiscal Officer (Present)

Also Present

Scott Jamison, Public Service Director/WWTP	Jeanna Burrell, Assistant Service Director
Michelle Dearth, Assistant Fiscal Officer	Jennifer Boytar, News reporter
Dick Burrell	Tessa Burrell
Karen Burrell	George & Virginia Brooks
Margaret Ann Ruhl, State Representative	

Meeting Minutes

Nancy Feole made a motion to approve the minutes of January 23, 2012 as read. Dave Simmons seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote to adopt January 23, 2012 minutes.

Mayor's Proclamation

Mayor Thomas Hopper presented a Proclamation recognizing Tessa Burrell for earning her Girl Scouts Gold Award, the highest award a Girl Scout can earn. The Proclamation recognized her outstanding leadership, character, and motivation and exceptional community service. Burrell has been a member of Galena Girl Scout Troop 1569 since Kindergarten. For her Gold project, she and her family logged 300 hours making improvements at a local equine therapy stable.

Guest Participation

State Representative Margaret Ann Ruhl explained that her four-county district has been redrawn into the 68th District that includes Knox County and the six Eastern Delaware County townships. She is running for re-election and her prior experience includes being a county and city auditor. She is aware of the local Routes 71 and 36/37 intersection concerns and she has been a strong advocate for continuing the third lane on Route 71 north of Sunbury. Construction will begin on the third lane expansion this summer.

Payment of Invoices for February

Chris Underwood made a motion to pay the invoices for February and Nancy Feole seconded the motion. The motion passed in a 6-0 voice vote.

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Fiscal Officer's Report

Marty Mazzie's report is attached. The first quarter sewer billing was completed and several more delinquent sewer bills were paid. Mazzie and Assistant, Michelle Dearth are considering a new sewer billing program.

Committees

The Council appointed Roberta Miller to the Records Commission, Mayor Hopper to the Income Tax Review Committee, and Scott Jamison will serve on the Summerfest Committee

Ordinance No. 2012-04 (1st Reading, Emergency)

An Ordinance Adopting Park Rules And Declaring An Emergency.

Mayor Hopper read the Ordinance.

Public Service Director's Report

Scott Jamison's report is attached. The Galena Village Hall renovation project was awarded to Good Home Maintenance for \$56,500. Work is underway to create a bathroom, improve the basement stairwell, and improve the northern fire escape exit. The project should conclude April 9th. A Variety of issues have been discovered during renovation that will have to be corrected including termites, electrical problems, and an unsupported structural beam.

Wastewater Treatment Report

Scott Jamison's report is attached. Jamison reported that the geobag project is nearing completion. This bio-solids dewatering system should be operational soon. Jamison also said that the wastewater fine screen project is moving forward with a Permit to Install received from the Ohio Department of Commerce for a building to protect the system from weather.

Assistant Service Director Report

Jeanna Burrell's report is attached. Burrell reported on parks projects. The third phase of the Miller Park train playground equipment will be installed in March. Work continues on finding a water source for the Ruffner Park ball field irrigation system. Council held a first reading on an ordinance to establish park rules.

Delaware County Regional Planning Commission Report

Mayor Tom Hopper had nothing to report as there was no meeting.

BST&G Fire Board Report

Paul Bolander who is now the chairman of the Fire Board reported to council that the fire district's levy is on the March ballot. He urged everyone to get out and vote. The three-mill levy includes a two-mill renewal and a new one-mill operating levy that comprises BST&G's entire operating budget.

Parks and Recreation Committee Report

The Committee did not meet.

Special Events Committee Report

The Committee did not meet. The next event is the Easter egg hunt on April 7th at 1:00 at Ruffner Park. Council suggested that the Delaware County Sheriff be contacted to be present at the event.

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Zoning and Planning Commission Report

Mayor Tom Hopper reported the Zoning and Planning Commission advertised a Hearing for the March 21st meeting for adoption of a revised Fee Schedule for Zoning and Planning and Development related applications.

Delaware County Local Government Association

Mayor Tom Hopper reported there was no speaker at the meeting but those present talked about the commissioners and upcoming election.

Galena Foundation

Village Solicitor Ken Molnar was not present to make a report.

Summerfest Committee

The Galena Civic Association Summerfest Committee meeting met on February 11, 2012. The report is attached. They will be working with the Sunbury's Sizzle and Sounds festival again this year. Volunteers are needed and information is available at <http://www.discovergalenaohio.com>. The next meeting will be April 14, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at Murphy's office.

Other Business

Mayor Hopper attended an urban coyote seminar sponsored by Delaware City. There are concerns about growing numbers of coyotes living in urban areas. Seminar leaders recommended not allowing coyotes to get too comfortable around people. If you see coyotes, make noise and scare them off. If residents have concerns they should contact a private wildlife control company. For more information visit <http://ohioline.osu/w-fact/pdf/004.pdf>.

Adjournment

Paul Bolander made a motion to adjourn. Grace Piper seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Next Meeting

The next Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 26, 2012, at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at the Village Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted, Marty Mazzie, Fiscal Officer

Fiscal Officer

Mayor