



Minutes of the Village Council Meeting November 22, 2004

On Monday, November 22, 2004, Mayor Tom Hopper called the Village of Galena Council meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 9 W. Columbus St.

Roll Call

Present

Sheila Miller, Clerk
Tom Hopper, Mayor
Roberta Miller, Council Member

Ed Karn, Council Member
Jim Slifko, Council Member
David Simmons, Council President
Tony Hamilton, Council Member (7:12)

Also Present

David LaValle, Public Service Director
Mike Hamilton, Village Maintenance
Dagmar Cianelli, The News
John Hower, Rinehart Walktes, Danner & Assoc.
Ken Molnar, Village Solicitor
EJ Miller
Pat Bennet, Police Chief
Dick Branhon

Tod Boger
Eloise and Ray Girt
Maria Calderone
David O Neil
Steve Malik
Jean Kelley
JC Hanks
Susie Kossman, Parks and Rec Committee

Meeting Minutes

David Simmons moved to accept the October 25, 2004 Minutes as corrected, Roberta Miller seconded the correction motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0 in a voice vote.

Payment of Invoices for November

Roberta Miller moved that the Village pay invoices for November. Ed Karn seconded the motion and it passed unanimously 5-0 in a voice vote.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report

Sheila Miller, Acting Clerk/Treasurer, it was noted that Sally Hopper, Zoning Clerk had not received the raise as stated for 2004. The check for December will reflect all pay, in retro, due to Sally.

Police Report

Pat Bennett was present there was not much to report; the Beggar's night did not experience any incidences. He was asked by Parks and Recreation member, Susie Kossman if there would be an issue regarding a hay ride being provided at the Santa Day celebration. Pat stated the trailer would need a slow moving vehicle sign on the back.

John Hower, Rinehart Walters, Danner and Assoc.

John Hower was present to review the renewal of the Ohio Plan Insurance Renewal for the Village of Galena in the year 2005. He reviewed the sections in the plan and submitted an invoice. The premium increased by \$617.00, this was result of a new truck, the grand stand and the water connection.

Resolution No 2004-05

A Resolution authorizing the acceptance of title to Real Estate being donated by the Ohio to Erie Trail Fund and providing for the construction of the trail, is still tabled. There are still several pending concerns before the Council will pass this resolution. Specific conditions of the agreement are not set; the contract for sale needs to be renegotiated to include .6 of an acre not previously approved. As of this date there has not been a Title Search and there has also not been a survey, both of these are pending the .6 acre concern.

Resolution No 2004-08

This was the second reading for resolution authorizing application for the Clean Ohio Trail Fund. This is authorizing an application for a grant from the Clean Ohio Trail Fund. This is a joint effort with other entities. The Village Council is awaiting the estimates for construction from the Friends of the Trail.

Resolution No 2004-11

(1st reading) - A resolution to hire Sally Hopper as clerk of the zoning and planning commission for the Village of Galena and setting the salary and compensation. The Resolution includes a 3% raise totaling \$3475.83/year paid in equal monthly payments.

Resolution 2004-12

(1st reading) – A resolution to hire Michael Hamilton as Maintenance Supervisor for the Village of Galena and setting the salary and compensation. The Resolution includes a 3% raise totaling \$26589.58/yr paid every two weeks.

Resolution 2004-13

(1st reading) – A resolution to hire Pam Hamilton as Village of Galena maintenance employee, and setting salary and compensation. The Resolution includes a 3% raise totaling \$10.82/hr, paid every two weeks.

Resolution 2004-14

(1st reading) – A resolution appointing David C. LaValle as Village of Galena Public Service Director, Zoning and Property, Maintenance Official, and setting salary and compensation. The Resolution includes a 3% raise totaling \$32,136/yr paid every two weeks.

Resolution 2004-15

(1st reading) – A resolution to hire Jeanna Burrell as Village of Galena administrative assistant, and setting salary and compensation. This Resolution includes a \$.10/hr raise, paid monthly.

Resolution 2004- 16

(1st reading) – A resolution appointing Kenneth J. Molnar as legal counsel (solicitor) for the Village of Galena. There will be no changes to the current Resolution.

Executive Session

Council adjourned to executive session at 7:42 p.m. Jim Slifko moved to adjourn to Executive Session and Roberta Miller seconded the motion, all agreed in a 5-0 voice vote.

Council returned to regular session at 8:08 pm, Jim Slifko moved to reconvene and David Simmons seconded the motion, all agreed in a 5-0 voice vote.

Resolution 2004-17

(1st reading, emergency)- A resolution ratifying a pre-annexation agreement between Trinity Home Builders, Inc., Vishu R. and Nalini B. Vishwanath and the Village of Galena for a 16.839- acre tract (s) on Dustin Road, and declaring an emergency. Dave Lavallo explained the pre-annexation agreement to be an understanding that Trinity Homes will annex to the Village under the condition they can pull out of the contract, if problems arise during the annexation process. This Resolution will give the Mayor the authority to execute an agreement, the emergency is declared so that the rules may be suspended and the applicant can file sooner rather than later. David Simmons moved to suspend the rules and Ed Karn seconded the motion. The rule suspension passed in a 5-0 voice vote as follows: Roberta-y, Ed-y, Dave-y, Tony-y, and Jim-y. Ed Karn moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency and Roberta Miller seconded the motion. The rule suspension passed in a 5-0 voice vote as follows: Roberta-y, Ed-y, Dave-y, Tony-y, and Jim-y.

Resolution 2004-18

(1st reading, emergency)- A resolution ratifying a pre-annexation agreement between Trinity Home Builders, Inc and the Village of Galena for a 119 (more or less) acre tract of land on Sunbury and Vans Valley Road; and declaring an emergency. Roberta Miller moved to suspend the rules and Ed Karn seconded the motion. The rule suspension passed in a 5-0 voice vote as follows: Roberta-y, Ed-y, Dave-y, Tony-y, and Jim-y. David Simmons moved to adopt the resolution as an emergency and Jim Slifko seconded the motion. The rule suspension passed in a 5-0 voice vote as follows: Roberta-y, Ed-y, Dave-y, Tony-y, and Jim-y.

Public Service Director's Report

Public Service Director Dave LaValle reviewed his report (attached). The Administrative Assistant's monthly report was distributed (attached).

Delaware County Regional Planning Commission Report

Tom Hopper did not attend this month's meeting. Dave Lavallo attended in his absence. Dave stated that there was a new sewer plant approved in Concord Township.

BST &G Fire Board Report

Jim Slifko said there was nothing to report.

Parks and Special Events Committee

Susie Kossmann was present and reported that Beggar's night on Oct 25 was very successful. She also reported that there was a trail clearing on 11/6 and about 75 people attended. The Christmas tree lighting is set for 12/5. The lights were hung November 13, as well as the garland hung. Santa will be visiting the children of Galena on 12-18 from 10-noon. Susie asked Chief Bennett about the hay rides, there will also be a petting zoo for the children to enjoy. Susie discussed the pending Calendar of Events for 2005, there is mention of initiating a Wild Fest Black Walnut Festival in the fall, and if the garage sale was going to be every year or every other year.

Zoning and Planning Commission

Tom Hopper said there was a short meeting and it was Jim Slifko's first meeting.

Big Walnut Leadership Advisory Council

Tom Hopper stated there was a short meeting and they are going to begin to focus on bigger picture items and issues regarding growth and development.

Adjournment

Jim Slifko moved to adjourn and David Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed in a 5-0 voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Next Meeting

The next Council meeting is scheduled for December 27, 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at the Village Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted, Sheila Miller, Village Clerk