



**Minutes of the Village Council Meeting
December 21, 2009**

On Monday, December 21, 2009 the Village of Galena Council meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 9 W. Columbus St., by Mayor Tom Hopper.

Roll Call

Tom Hopper, Mayor (Present)
Libby Clark, Council Member (in at 7:30 pm)
David Simmons, Council President (Present)
Chris Underwood, Council Member (Present)

Roberta Miller, Council Member (Present)
Ed Karn, Council Member (Absent)
Nancy Feole, Council Member (Present)
Marty Mazzie, Fiscal Officer (Present)

Also Present

Ken Molnar, Solicitor
Scott Jamison, Public Service Director/WWTP
Paul Bolander,
Officer, Joe Creitz

Chris Alexis, This Week staff writer
Michelle Dearth, Assistant Fiscal Officer
Jeanna Burrell, Administrative Assistant

Meeting Minutes

Dave Simmons made a motion to approve the minutes of November 23, 2009. Roberta Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 4-0 voice vote to adopt November 23, 2009 minutes.

Police Report

Officer Joe Creitz reported on behalf of Chief Bennett and the police officers that it has been a pleasure serving the Village of Galena. They will continue to work with the sheriff and county to protect the village when needed.

Payment of Invoices for December

Roberta Miller made a motion to pay the invoices for December and Chris Underwood seconded the motion. The motion passed in a 4-0 voice vote.

Fiscal Officers Report

Fiscal Officer Marty Mazzie's report is attached. Resolution No. 2009-35 was introduced to put an operating levy on the May 2010 ballot. The levy would cost residents \$61.32 per \$100,000 in property valuation. The levy would start in January 2010 and begin being collected in 2011. This is the same millage as the existing levy that expires at the end of 2009 but is still collected in 2010 since property tax collection is always a year behind.

Resolution No. 2009-21 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution to Hire Jeffrey Stokes as the Village of Galena Maintenance Supervisor and Setting Salary and Compensation for Calendar Year 2010.

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

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Resolution No. 009-22 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution to Hire Cheryl Carrel as the Village of Galena Part-Time, Seasonal and as needed Employee and Setting Salary and Compensation for Calendar Year 2010.

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

Resolution No. 2009-26 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution to Hire Sally Hopper as Clerk of Zoning and Planning Commission for the Village of Galena for the Calendar Year 2010 and Setting Salary and compensation.

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

Resolution No. 2009-27 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution to Hire Michelle Dearth as the Part-Time Village of Galena Assistant Fiscal Officer and Setting Salary and Compensation.

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

Resolution No. 2009-28 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution to Hire Marty Mazzie as the Village of Galena Fiscal Officer and Setting Salary and Compensation.

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

Resolution No. 2009-29 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution to Hire Jeanna Burrell as the Part-Time Village of Galena Administrative Assistant and Setting Salary and Compensation.

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

Resolution No. 2009-30 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution Appointing Kenneth J. Molnar as Legal Counsel (Solicitor) for the Village of Galena for the Calendar Year 2010.

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

Resolution No. 2009-31 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution Appointing Scott Jamison as the Village of Galena Public Service Director, Zoning and Property Maintenance Official and Flood Plain Administrator and Setting Salary and Hourly Compensation.

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

Resolution No. 2009-35 (1st Reading)

A Resolution Declaring It Necessary To Levy A Tax In Excess Of The Ten Mill Limitation.

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

Ordinance No. 2009-13

An Ordinance Vacating An Unnamed Alley To The West Of Lots 112, 113, And 114 Approximately 20 Feet In Width And Parallel To North Walnut Street.

Dave Simmons made a motion to suspend the rules for second and third reading. Nancy Feole seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 roll call vote:

Miller-Yes Underwood-Yes Simmons-Yes Feole-Yes Clark-Yes

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Roberta Miller made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2009-13. Libby Clark seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 roll call vote:

Miller-Yes Underwood-Yes Simmons-Yes Feole-Yes Clark-Yes

Public Service Director's Report

Scott Jamison's report is attached. Jamison recapped 2009 for Galena Village Council. The big news of the year was the celebration of Galena's bicentennial. Many people volunteered time and worked with the Greater Galena Civic Association to host the Galena Summerfest 2009. The jazz and blues fest was a big success and there is talk of planning an annual event. The Village has been successful at landing grant awards this year with more than \$350,000 awarded. Galena has begun construction of the Kane's Crossing trail bridge over the Big Walnut Creek and will add bridge approaches and trail work to the \$148,000 Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) grant. Work will also begin in the spring on the \$190,999 Ohio Department of Transportation grant for Phase 1 of repaving Walnut Street from St. Rt. 3 to Holmes Street. New slides and safe surface material were installed in Ruffner Park with a nearly \$16,000 Preservation Parks of Delaware County grant.

Administrative Assistant Report

Jeanna Burrell reported that the Village is moving to electronic-only distribution of its monthly newsletter since its printing and fulfillment company, Pelican Publications, notified the Village that it is going out of business. Residents can notify the Village at adminassistant@galenaohio.org with their e-mail addresses to be placed on an e-mail distribution list. The newsletter is also available on the Villages website at www.galenaohio.org under current events. Any residents who do not have electronic access should contact the Village to be placed on a mailing list as soon as possible to avoid interruption in service.

Delaware County Regional Planning Commission Report

Mayor Hopper had nothing to report.

BST&G Fire Board Report

Paul Bolander had nothing to report.

Parks and Recreation Committee Report

No one was present to make a report.

Special Events

Visit with Santa and tree lighting events were well attended.

Zoning and Planning Commission Report

Tom Hopper had nothing to report.

Finance Committee

Committee did not meet in December.

Other Business

Council thanked Ed Karn for his many years of service to the Village. Karn is completing his second eight-year stretch on Council and served on the Zoning and Planning Commission in between his Council service

Executive Session

Chris Underwood made a motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss Real Estate and Personnel (121.22G1). Dave Simmons seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a roll call vote:

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Miller-Yes Underwood-Yes Simmons-Yes Feole-Yes Clark-Yes
Council adjourned to executive session at 8:17 p.m.

Dave Simmons made a motion to reconvene. Chris Underwood seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a roll call vote:

Miller-Yes Underwood-Yes Simmons-Yes Feole-Yes Clark-Yes
Council reconvened at 8:51 p.m.

Adjournment

Chris Underwood made a motion to adjourn. Dave Simmons seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Next Meeting

The next Council meeting is scheduled for January 5, 2010, 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at the Village Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted, Marty Mazzie, Fiscal Officer

Fiscal Officer

Mayor