



**Minutes of the Village Council Meeting
October 22, 2007**

On Monday October 22, 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
David Simmons, Council President
Roberta Miller, Council Member
Marty Mazzie, Fiscal Officer

Libby Clark, Council Member
Chris Underwood, Council Member (absent)
Ed Karn, Council Member
Nancy Feole, Council Member

Also Present

Kenneth Molnar, Village Solicitor
Michelle Dearth, Assistant Fiscal Officer
Dave LaValle, Public Service Director
Charles Chandler, Sunbury Police
Dave O'Neil
Art Hergatt
David R. Ball
Dick Brahm
Linda Menerey
Jean Kelly

Scott Jamison, WWTP
Bob Jablonski, PDG Consultant
Pamela Hamilton, Maintenance
Julia Lamb, Recorder
Steve Malik
Jane Jackson
Jim Dietz
Jim Lipnos
David Conrad
Bill Schlanger

Meeting Minutes

Roberta Miller made a motion to approve the minutes of September 24, 2007 as corrected. Dave Simmons seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 voice vote to adopt September 24, 2007 minutes.

Police Report

Charles Chandler had nothing to report. He will be on duty October 31, 2007 to patrol the Village during the trick-or-treat time and at Ruffner Park for the costume judging.

Payment of Invoices for October

Roberta Miller made a motion to pay the invoices for October and Ed Karn seconded the motion. The motion passed in a 5-0 voice vote.

Fiscal Officer's Report

The audit for years 2005 and 2006 are complete. Marty, Michelle and Dave met with Tara from Julian and Grube to review the final documents. The first draft of the 2008 budget was presented to council for review. The finance committee will be meeting November 12th, 2007 to consider any changes. Progress is being made on the delinquent sewer accounts. The outstanding balance is down from \$116,289 to \$8,999.

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Resolution No. 2007-23

A Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying them to the County Auditor as Emergency.

Roberta Miller 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 5-0 roll call vote:

Clark-Yes Feole-Yes Simmons-Yes Karn-Yes Miller-Yes

Ed Karn made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2007-23 declaring an emergency. Dave Simmons seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 roll call vote:

Clark-Yes Feole-Yes Simmons-Yes Karn-Yes Miller-Yes

Ordinance No. 2007-16 (2nd Reading)

An Ordinance Amending the Income Tax Code for the Village of Galena Requiring Mandatory Disclosure of Rental Occupants.

It was noted the fiscal officer needs to supply a list of landlords. This list will be included with the third reading.

Ordinance No. 2007-17 (2nd Reading)

An Ordinance Amending Sewer Regulations for the Village of Galena as Set Forth in Ordinance 2006-03 including an Amendment to the Sewer Rate.

Ordinance No. 2007-18 (Emergency)

An Ordinance Accepting the Annexation of 196.98 Acres, More or Less From Berkshire Township, Delaware County, Ohio to the Village of Galena as Emergency

Roberta Miller 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 5-0 roll call vote:

Clark-Yes Feole-Yes Simmons-Yes Karn-Yes Miller-Yes

Nancy Feole made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2007-18 declaring an emergency. Roberta Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 roll call vote:

Clark-Yes Reole-Yes Simmons-Yes Karn-Yes Miller-Yes

Hearing

Council held a public hearing on rezoning the Miller Farm property to Planned Residential District (PRD). The Homewood development will feature 385 units, including 317 single family homes and 68 condominiums, averaging two units per acre. Even though Galena's zoning code only requires five acres of open space, the development includes nearly 34 acres of open space. Council heard from a number of Trenton Road and Sunbury Road residents. They also learned that Sage Creek Developer Bill Schlanger, who owns additional development land abutting the Miller Farm, paid canvassers to circulate a survey around the Village. According to Council members approached by the surveyors, false information was used to gather signatures. The hearing was continued to November 26, 2007

Ordinance No. 2007-19 (1st Reading)

An Ordinance Accepting the Recommendation of the Galena Planning and Zoning Commission for the Rezoning of the Former Miller Farm Property Consisting of 192 Acres, More or less from Berkshire Agricultural Zoning to Planned Residential District (PRD) in the Village of Galena and Declaring an Emergency.

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Council took a short break at 9:05 p.m. and resumed at 9:17 p.m.

Sewer Plant Design

Bob Jablonski from Poggemeyer Design Group reported the plans are completed. Mayor Hopper, Dave LaValle and Scott Jamison will review the plans and approve them prior to submittal to EPA.

Wastewater Treatment Report

Scott Jamison was not present to report.

Public Service Director's Report

Dave LaValle submitted a report. (Attached)

Delaware County Regional Planning Commission (DCRPC)

Tom Hopper had nothing to report.

BST&G Fire Board Report

Ed Karn had nothing to report.

Parks & Recreation Committee Report

Michelle Parsons was not present to report.

Special Events Committee Report

No one was present to report. Policeman, Charlie Chandler, will take care of the safety for the trick-or-treaters on Halloween. The lift truck will be ordered for the decoration of the Christmas tree on the square and hand rails will be provided for the hay wagon for the Christmas caroling and tree trimming on the square on December 2nd, 2007.

Zoning and Planning Commission Report

Mayor Hopper had nothing to report. Nancy Feole requested a zoning code.

Eastern Delaware County Joint Recreation District

Roberta Miller reported the district board is changing with new representatives from four of the townships. The board is discussing the possibility of a community pool to be built on donated land. Dave Simmons expressed council support for Roberta on Committee.

Facilities Committee Report

Dave Simmons had nothing to report.

Personnel Committee

Chris Underwood was not present to report.

Executive Session

Ed Karn made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing hiring Personnel.

Dave Simmons seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote:

Miller-Yes Karn-Yes Simmons-Yes Feole-Yes Clark-Yes

Council adjourned in to Executive Session at 9:54 p.m.

Ed Karn made a motion to reconvene and Nancy Feole seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote:

Miller-Yes Karn-Yes Simmons-Yes Feole-Yes Clark-Yes

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Council returned to regular session at 10:20 p.m.

Adjournment

Ed Karn made a motion to adjourn. Dave Simmons seconded the motion and it passed unanimously in a 5-0 voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 10:29 p.m.

Next Meeting

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

Respectfully submitted, Marty Mazzie, Fiscal Officer

Fiscal Officer

Mayor