



**Minutes of the Village Council Meeting
December 18, 2006**

On Monday, December 18, 2006, the Village of Galena Council meeting was called to order at 7:07 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
Ed Karn, Council Member

David Simmons, Council President
Chris Underwood, Council Member
Nancy Feole, Council Member
Marty Mazzie, Acting Clerk /Treasurer

Also Present

Scott Jamison, WWTP
Kenneth Molnar, Village Solicitor
Dave LaValle, Public Service Director
Mike Hamilton, Maintenance Supervisor

Michelle Dearth, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer
Susie Kossmann, Parks Committee
John Bland
Pam Hamilton, Maintenance employee

Mayor's Proclamations

John Bland was recognized for his service in numerous official capacities for the Village for nearly 40 years retiring as Village administrator.
Susie Kossmann has served as co-chairperson of the Village Parks and Special Events Committee for five years and has been instrumental in a number of park and trail improvements and special events. Appreciation was expressed to both of them for their outstanding leadership and exceptional community service.

Meeting Minutes

Roberta Miller made a motion to approve the minutes for November 22, 2006 as corrected. Holmes Street was spelled incorrectly. Dave Simmons seconded the motion. All said Aye in a 6-0 voice vote to adopt November 22, 2006 minutes as corrected.

Police Report

Chief of Police, Pat Bennett, was not present to give a report.

Payment of Invoices for December

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

Clerk/Treasurer's Report

Marty Mazzie reported Masi Environmental Services agreed the Village could continue to pay the bills monthly after Council approves them.
Clerk Mazzie suggested the need to transfer funds and Resolutions should be drawn up for this purpose in keeping with requirements by UAN and the auditors.
Resolution 2006-22 was submitted to transfer funds to cover the cost of salaries and payroll. Resolution 2006-23 was submitted to transfer funds for utilities to finish the year.
OPERS contribution rate increase to 9.50 is effective January 1, 2007.

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Resolution No. 2006-12 (3rd Reading)

A Resolution Determining an Amount is Due for Delinquent Tap Fees from Robert Kane and Certifying the Same for Lien Purposes to the Delaware County Auditor.

A letter was read from Robert Kane which said he would pay after the first of the year. Ed Karn made a motion to table the resolution until the regular January meeting on the 22nd. Roberta Miller seconded the motion. All said Aye in a 6-0 voice vote.

Resolution No. 2006-13 (2nd 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.

Resolution No. 2006-14 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution to hire Michael Hamilton as Maintenance Supervisor for the Village of Galena and setting the salary and compensation.

Resolution No. 2006-15 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution to hire Pam Hamilton as Village of Galena maintenance employee, and setting salary and compensation.

Resolution No. 2006-16 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution appointing David C, LaValle as Village of Galena public service director, zoning and property maintenance official, and setting salary and compensation.

Resolution No. 2006-17 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution to hire Jeanna Burrell as Village of Galena administrative assistant, and setting salary and compensation.

Resolution No. 2006-18 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution to hire Michelle Dearth as Village of Galena assistant clerk/treasurer, and setting salary and compensation.

Resolution No. 2006-19 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution appointing Kenneth J. Molnar as legal counsel (solicitor) for the Village of Galena.

Resolution No. 2006-20 (2nd Reading)

A Resolution appointing Marty Mazzie as Acting Clerk/Treasurer for the Village of Galena.

Resolution No. 2006-21 (1st Reading) Declaring an Emergency

Contract for Prosecutor's Services.

Nancy Feole made a motion to suspend the rules for the second and third reading and Dave Simmons 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

Jim Slifko made a motion to adopt Resolution No.2006-21 declaring an emergency. Dave Simmons 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

Resolution No. 2006-22 (1st Reading) Declaring an Emergency

A Resolution modifying appropriations for the calendar year 2006 and declaring an 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 6-0 roll call vote:

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Slifko-Yes Feole-Yes Simmons-Yes Underwood-Yes Karn-Yes Miller-Yes
Nancy Feole made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2006-22 declaring an emergency. Dave Simmons 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

Resolution No. 2006-23 (1st Reading) Declaring an Emergency

A Resolution modifying appropriations for the calendar year 2006 and declaring an emergency.
Ed Karn made a motion to suspend the rules for the second and third reading and Roberta Miller 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 No. 2006-23 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

Resolution No. 2006-24 (1st Reading)

A Resolution combining the duties of Village Clerk and Village Treasurer into the appointed office of Village Fiscal Officer.

Resolution No. 2006-25 (1st Reading)

A Resolution appointing Martha AKA "Marty" Mazzie as Village Fiscal Officer.

Resolution No. 2006-26 (1st Reading)

A Resolution setting the compensation for the Village Fiscal Officer for the year 2007.

Resolution No. 2006-27 (1st Reading)

A Resolution establishing procedures for insuring the prompt availability of public records.

Sewer Plant Design

Dave LaValle reported for Bob Jablonski the Sewer Plant Design is on schedule and will be ready the end of December.

Wastewater Treatment Report

Scott submitted a written report. A fourth overflow was observed and reported.

Public Service Director's Report

Public Service Director Dave LaValle submitted a report for council to review. Scott's attorney's fees of \$843.75 for his deposition with the Berkshire Campground was discussed and will be considered at the organizational meeting next month at which time a policy will be set forth for future reference. There was a discussion about the sidewalks in town. Dave and Mayor Hopper will do some research with Poggemeyer and report back to council. Dave reminded Mayor Hopper that Stan Swisher's term on the Zoning and Planning Commission has expired and needs to be reappointed. Dave Simmons made a motion to reappoint Stan Swisher for another three year term on the Zoning and Planning Commission and Jim Slifko seconded the motion. The motion was passed by a 6-0 voice vote.

Delaware County Regional Planning Commission (DCRPC)

Tom Hopper had no report as he and Dave LaValle were unable to be at the meeting.

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BST&G Fire Board Report

Jim Slifko reported that there was a fire at the Big Walnut Middle School.

Zoning and Planning Commission

Tom Hopper reported that Stan Swisher was reappointed to the committee.

Parks and Special Events Committee Report

Nancy Feole wanted to commend Mike Hamilton for the great job he did in reconstructing the wagon for the Village. It was used for hayrides at the tree lighting the first Sunday in December and again for the children who came to visit Santa. There were 70 children that visited Santa and it was a big success. Karen Underwood submitted a budget for next year.

Eastern Delaware County Recreational District

Roberta Miller reported that they had a working session to set up committees. Roberta is in charge of researching grants.

Executive Session

Dave Simmons moved to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss pending litigation, real estate purchase and personnel. Jim Slifko seconded the motion. All agreed in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Jim Slifko-Yes Nancy Feole-Yes Dave Simmons-Yes Chris Underwood-Yes Ed Karn-Yes Roberta Miller-Yes

Council adjourned to Executive Session at 8:57 p.m.

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

Jim Slifko-Yes Dave Simmons-Yes Chris Underwood-Yes Roberta Miller-Yes

Council returned to regular session at 9:34 p.m.

Ed Karn brought up the fact that Galena residents that walk their dogs in town are not considerate of other peoples property and allow their animals to leave unwanted droppings on the sidewalks and yards. Our solicitor Ken Molnar agreed to research and draw up on ordinance for this issue.

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 9:40 p.m.

Next Meeting

The next Council meeting for the purpose of organizing is scheduled for January 4th, 2007, 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at the Village Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted, Marty Mazzie, Acting Clerk/Treasurer

Clerk

Mayor