On March 25, 2024 the Village of Galena Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Village Hall, 109 Harrison St., by Mayor Kinnell.

#  Roll Call

Jeff Kinnell, Mayor (Present)

Gillian Doucette, Council Member (Present)

Josh Porter, Council Member (Present)

Mike Fry, Council Member (Present)

Kathy Krupa, Council President (Present)

Michelle Dearth, Fiscal Officer (Present)

Zach Hopper, Council Member (Present)

Chris Durrence, Council Member (Present)

 **Also Present**

Ken Molnar, Solicitor Jean Sylvester, Village Administrator

A List of those in attendance is attached at the end of the minutes.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Minutes of February 26, 2024 Council Meeting**

Gillian Doucette made a motion to adopt the minutes of the February 26, 2024 Council meeting. Chris Durrence seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

**Minutes of March 16, 2024 Emergency Council Meeting**

Gillian Doucette made a motion to adopt the minutes of the March 16, 2024 Emergency Council meeting. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

**Guest Participation**

Jennifer Wilson from the Delaware Public Health District updated Council about the Ohio Smoke Free Workplace. No smoking signs, which smoking includes electronic smoking devices and vapor products, must be posted at all building entrances. The solar Eclipse may cause traffic problems and the Delaware County Health District has eclipse glasses with a limit of 4 per family.

Administrator, Fiscal Officer, Code Compliance, Maintenance, and Wastewater reports are available upon request.

**Payment of Invoices for March**

Chris Durrence made a motion to pay invoice**s** for March. Gillain Doucette seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

**Approval of Financial Statements**

Gillian Doucette made a motion to approve the financial statements for March. Mike Fry seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

TIF Hearing

 The Village intends to apply for an exemption on behalf of the owners. Drafts will be available upon request.

Mike Fry made a motion to open the hearing. Gillian Doucette seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Durrence-Yes Porter-Yes Doucette-Yes Krupa-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

The hearing opened at 7:09 p.m. There were no comments or questions.

Mike Fry made a motion to close the hearing. Gillian Doucette seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Durrence-Yes Porter-Yes Doucette-Yes Krupa-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

The hearing closed at 7:10 p.m.

**Resolution No. 2024-04 (1st Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution approving The Permanent Appropriation Budget For The Village Of Galena For Calendar Year 2024 And Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Kinnell read the Resolution. Gillian Doucette made a motion to suspend the second and third reading. Josh Porter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Durrence-Yes Porter-Yes Doucette-Yes Krupa-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

Josh Porter made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-04 as an emergency. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Durrence-Yes Porter-Yes Doucette-Yes Krupa-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

**Resolution No. 2024-05 (1st Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution Approving A Service Agreement With Hooper’s Lawn Care Services LLC; Setting Compensation; And Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Kinnell read the Resolution. Chris Durrence made a motion to suspend the second and third reading. Mike Fry seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Durrence-Yes Porter-Yes Doucette-Yes Krupa-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

Mike Fry made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-05 as an emergency as corrected (Ken Molnar will add emergency language). Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Durrence-Yes Porter-Yes Doucette-Yes Krupa-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

**Resolution No. 2024-06 (1st Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution Determining The Sufficiency Of The Application To Add Certain Parcels Of Real Property To The Galena New Community Authority District; To Amend The Petition For Establishment Of The New Community Authority As A New Community Authority Under Chapter 349 Of The Ohio Revised Code Setting A Date For A Public Hearing On The Application As Required By Law, And Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Kinnell read the Resolution. Chris Durrence made a motion to suspend the second and third reading. Gillian Doucette seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Durrence-Yes Porter-Yes Doucette-Yes Krupa-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

Mike Fry made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-06 as an emergency. Josh Porter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Durrence-Yes Porter-Yes Doucette-Yes Krupa-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

**Ordinance No. 2023-16 (Tabled until March 25, 2024)**

**An Ordinance Adopting The Personnel Policies And Procedure Manual and Repealing Any Existing Or Prior Personnel Policy And Procedures Manuals.**

Mayor Kinnell read the Ordinance. Kathy Krupa made a motion to table the Ordinance until the April 22, 2024 Council meeting. Mike Fry seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

**Ordinance No. 2024-02 (2nd Reading, Emergency)**

**An Ordinance Suspending The Operation Of Ohio Basic Code Section 137.09 (E) Regarding Large Agricultural Properties Situated Within The Corporate Limits Of The Village Of Galena; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Kinnell read the Ordinance.

**Ordinance No. 2024-04 (1st Reading, Emergency)**

**An Ordinance Approving The Supplier For The Village Of Galena Electric Aggregation Program And Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Kinnell read the Ordinance. Mike Fry made a motion to suspend the second and third reading. Zach Hopper seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Durrence-Yes Porter-Yes Doucette-Yes Krupa-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

Kathy Krupa made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2024-04 as an emergency. Josh Porter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Durrence-Yes Porter-Yes Doucette-Yes Krupa-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

**Guest Participation**

Cory Paul, Executive Director American Red Cross, Greater Columbus Chapter updated Council on assessment within the County and encouraging residents to look at how well they are prepared for these types of emergencies. If help is needed contact 1-800 Red Cross.

Chief Kovach, Fire Chief, BST&G wanted to thank everyone for all their help and said that it all has been a learning process for all involved.

Alex McCarthy, Director, Delaware County Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management reported that the Campground was the hardest hit and a shelter was set up. FEMA will be out assessing the County in the next few days. They are also working with various non-profits to help with clean up assistance.

Mary Howard, 1765 S Galena Rd, wanted to thank everyone who was involved.

**Executive Session**

None.

**Other Business**

Mayor Kinnell acknowledged four individuals who he felt went above and beyond helping throughout the Village.

Michelle Parsons

Chris Durrence

Pete Casuccio

Tim Erb

Each individual received a certificate of appreciation and there was a reception after the Council meeting.

Pastor Jerry from Journey Fellowship ended the meeting with a prayer.

**Adjournment**

Zach Hopper made a motion to adjourn. Josh Porter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

 The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

A recording of the meeting is available upon request and on the Village website.

###### Next Meeting

The next Council meeting will be held on April 22, 2024 at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Galena Village Hall and by Zoom.

 Respectfully submitted, Michelle Dearth, Fiscal Officer

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 Fiscal Officer Date Mayor Date

**Certification:** I, Michelle Dearth, Asst. Fiscal Officer of the Village of Galena, Ohio hereby certify that publication of these Minutes was duly made by posting true copies thereof at five (5) of the most public places as determined by Council in Resolution 2015-18.