



**Minutes of the Village Council Meeting  
December 16, 2019**

On Monday December 16, 2019 the Village of Galena Council meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Village Hall, 109 Harrison St., by Mayor Thomas Hopper.

**Roll Call**

Tom Hopper, Mayor (Present)  
Bob Molter, Council Member (Present)  
David Simmons, Council Member (Present)  
Todd Musacchio, Council Member (Present)

Jason Hillyer, Council Member (Present)  
David Walker, Council President (Present)  
Kathy Krupa, Council Member (Present)  
Suzanne Rease, Fiscal Officer (Present)

**Also Present**

Jeffrey White, Village Administrator  
Ken Molnar, Solicitor

Michelle Dearth Asst. Fiscal Officer

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

**Minutes of November 25, 2019**

David Simmons made a motion to approve the minutes. Bob Molter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

Hearing was opened at 7:04 p.m.

Hearing was closed at 7:08 due to lack of jurisdiction.

A Public Hearing before council on Monday, September 23, 2019 at approximately 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Galena Village Hall located at 109 Harrison Street Galena, Ohio re: the application of Blackhawk Endeavors LLC for a change in zoning district classification from Berkshire Township Agricultural (A-1) and Berkshire Township Planned Recreational District (PRCD) to Village of Galena Planned Residential District (PRD) and Planned Commercial and Office District (PC), and approval of a development/subdivision plan, as recommended by the Village Planning and Zoning Commission, for the following described property: Pursuant To The Provisions Of Ordinance No. 2019-16

Situated in the Village of Galena, in the Township of Berkshire, in the County of Delaware, and the State of Ohio.

Being Known as: Blackhawk Gold Course 8830 Dustin Rd., Parcel numbers: 41743006001001 and 41743006002000

And

The John Wright farm 8131 Plumb Rd., Parcel number: 41734004039000

**Ordinance No. 2019-18 (Second Reading, Emergency)**  
**An Ordinance Assenting To The Detachment Of 260.56 Acres, More Or Less, Being The Lands of Groezinger Golf Enterprises, Inc. And John D. Wright, From The Village Of Galena And Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution. Dave Walker made a motion to suspend the third reading. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Walker-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Molter-Yes Hillyer-Yes

Dave Walker made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2019-18 as an emergency. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Walker-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Molter-Yes Hillyer-Yes

**Mayoral Proclamations**

Mayor Hopper presented Mayoral Proclamations to Zach Hopper, Mark Brooks, Stan Swisher and Jeanna Burrell.

**Guest Participation**

John Bland gave a brief summary of 2019 for the Museum. Jason Hillyer asked how many people visited the museum and John Bland responded that approximately 50 people visited the museum.

Jeff Dutiel representing the Columbus Sharks asked Council to consider approving the Management Agreement between the Sharks and the Village of Galena, so he can start scheduling for the season. The issues have been resolved with sharing of the ball field with other organizations.

**Assistant Administrator**

Assistant Administrator Jeanna Burrell read her letter of Resignation.

**Administrator's Report**

Village Administrator Jeff White's reported as a condition of the approval made by the Planning & Zoning Commission for a permit issued to the owner of the Galena Commerce Center property, the owner is to provide a right-of-way corridor to the Village for a future trail connector. Arrangements are being made to get the Village's sewer systems mapped so we can satisfy our MS4 commitment to the OEPA.

Jason Hillyer commented that there was a nice turn out for the tree lighting, and a thank you to David Simmons, John Bland and everyone involved.

**Fiscal Officer Report**

Fiscal Officer Suzanne Rease reported the fiscal office has spent a considerable amount of time finalizing the annual budget, numerous records requests, and preparing for year end.

David Simmons made a motion to approve the sewer rate of \$178.47 per quarter for the calendar year 2020. Jason Hillyer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

Dave Walker made a motion to pay the remainder of bills for 2019 that appear on the attached list. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

**Approval of Financial Statements**

Dave Walker made a motion to approve the financial statements. David Simmons seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

### **Payment of Invoices for December**

Dave Walker made a motion to approve the invoices for December. David Simmons seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

### **Code Compliance Report**

Levi Koehler report stated that the lift station has been completed at the Retreat at Dustin. The engineering drawings for the second phase have been approved and the installation of infrastructure has begun. Arrowhead Lake Estates construction is underway and Phase 2 construction will commence soon. Blackhawk Phase-D storm water inspections were complete and zoning certificates for the first homes have been issued. Ross Estates lot split has been approved and the home sold. Contractor is working with the Village regarding the sewer main extension.

### **Wastewater Treatment Report**

Brian Rammelsberg's report stated that there was one violation this month for total nitrogen. The limit is 10 and we had 10.1. Aeration in the plant was adjusted to get this lower. There were 10 sewer taps this month, one at Arrowhead Lake and nine at the Retreat at Dustin. On 11/27/19 there was a Village wide power outage. On 11/30/19 the pump at the Walnut Street Lift Station was pulled for servicing. On 12/8 there was a sewer plug on Walnut Street by the Journey Church.

### **Maintenance Report**

Josh Cherubini's report stated that the maintenance staff worked on the Walnut Creek Trails storm-water drainage issues, trimmed dead trees along the trails, assisted in Christmas tree decorating on the Village Square and checked and reported street light outages.

### **Resolution No. 2019-43 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

#### **A Resolution Ratifying A Management Agreement Between The Village Of Galena And 8687 Columbus Sharks Regarding Ruffner Park; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution. Jason Hillyer made a motion to suspend the third reading. David Simmons seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Walker-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Molter-Yes Hillyer-Yes

Bob Molter made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2019-43 as an emergency. Jason Hillyer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Walker-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Molter-Yes Hillyer-Yes

### **Resolution No. 2019-44 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

#### **A Resolution To Hire Michelle Dearth As The Village Of Galena Assistant Fiscal Officer For Calendar Year 2020; Setting Salary And Compensation; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

### **Resolution No. 2019-45 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

#### **A Resolution To Hire Suzanne Rease As The Village Of Galena Fiscal Officer For Calendar Year 2020; Setting Salary And Compensation; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 2019-46 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution To Hire Kenneth Levi Koehler As The Village Of Galena Zoning Inspector, Property Maintenance Official, And Flood Plain Administrator For Calendar Year 2020; Setting Salary And Compensation; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 2019-47 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution Appointing Jeffrey White As The Village Administrator And Deputy Zoning Inspector For Calendar Year 2020; Setting Salary And Compensation; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 2019-48 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution Hiring Joshua Cherubini As Maintenance Supervisor For The Village Of Galena For The Calendar Year 2020; Setting Salary And Compensation; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 2019-49 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution To Hire Cody Hale As A Village Of Galena Maintenance Employee For The Calendar Year 2020; Setting Salary And Compensation; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution no. 2019-50 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution Appointing Kenneth J. Molnar As Legal Counsel (Solicitor) For The Village Of Galena For Calendar Year 2020; Setting Compensation; And Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 2019-51 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution To Hire Suzanne Rease As Village Of Galena Planning and Zoning Commission Clerk For The Calendar Year 2020; Setting Salary And Compensation; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 2019-52 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution To Hire Thomas Marshall As The Village Of Galena Environmental Engineer for 2020; Setting Salary And Compensation; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 2019-53 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution Authorizing A Contract With the City Of Delaware For Prosecutorial Services For Calendar Year 2020; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 2019-54 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution approving A Service Agreement With Professional Package Plant Services For Calendar Year 2020; Setting Compensation; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 2019-55 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution Authorizing The Lease Agreement For Storage Space To Be Leased From Underwood Business Solutions, Inc.; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 2019-56 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution Authorizing the Delaware County Building Department To Enforce Building Codes For all Properties Within The Village Of Galena For Calendar Year 2020; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 2019-57 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution Approving A 2020 Budget For the Village Of Galena, And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 2019-58 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution Adopting Rules Of Council For Calendar Year 2020; And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 2019-59 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution Authorizing A Working Agreement Between The Delaware Soil And Water Conservation District (DSWCD) And The Village Of Galena, And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 2019-62 (First Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution Transferring Funds In the Amount Of \$1629.00 From Other Professional Services Account Number 1000-790-349 To Property Insurance Premium Number 1000-730-352 In the Amount Of \$1325.00 And To Uniform Accounting Network Fees Account Number 1000-725-343 In The Amount Of \$304.00 And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Resolution. David Simmons made a motion to suspend the second and third reading. Dave Walker seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Walker-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Molter-Yes Hillyer-Yes

Dave Walker made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2019-62 as an emergency. Bob Molter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Walker-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Molter-Yes Hillyer-Yes

**Ordinance No. 2019-16 (Third Reading)**

**An Ordinance Accepting The Recommendation Of The Galena Planning And Zoning commission For The Re-Zoning Of The Lands Of Groezinger Golf Enterprises, Inc., An Ohio Corporation, And John D. Wright As Land Owners Consisting Of 260.56 Acres, More Or Less From Berkshire Township Agricultural To Planned Residential District (Prd) and planned Commercial And Office District (Pc).**

The Ordinance was withdrawn.

**Ordinance No. 2019-17 (Second Reading, Emergency)**

**An Ordinance Ratifying A Lease Agreement Between The Village Of Galena And The Galena Historic Foundation, Inc., And, Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Ordinance. David Simmons made a motion to suspend the third reading. Todd Musacchio seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Walker-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Molter-Yes Hillyer-Yes

Dave Walker made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-17 as an emergency. Jason Hillyer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Walker-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Molter-Yes Hillyer-Yes

**Ordinance No. 2019-19 (First Reading, Emergency)**

**An Ordinance Adopting Written Policy For The Use Of Village Credit Card Accounts, And Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Hopper read the Ordinance.

**Delaware County Regional Planning Commission Report**

Mayor Hopper had nothing new to report.

**BST&G Fire Board Report**

Bob Molter was unable to attend meeting.

**Zoning and Planning Commission Report**

Mayor Hopper reported that Mark Brooks tendered his letter of resignation.

David Simmons made a motion to accept the resignation. Bob Molter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

Mayor Hopper made a Mayoral recommendation to appoint Zachary Hopper to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Bob Molter made a motion to accept the recommendation. David Simmons seconded the motion and the motion passed 4-2 (Jason Hillyer and Kathy Krupa voted no)

Zachary Hopper was sworn in by Mayor Hopper.

**MORPC Report**

David Simmons reported that Gambier Village was added to MORPC (71<sup>st</sup> member). Shelley Beiting, Executive Director of the Columbus Women’s Commission, was the speaker. She focused on the group’s emphasis on pay equity in the workplace and about their goal of closing the gender gap through the Columbus Commitment: Achieving Pay Equity. 239 employers in Central Ohio have signed the Pay Equity Pledge agreeing to work towards addressing the gender pay gap. This is a one page pledge to study within their own staff the economic impact of pay inequity, analyze their own hiring practices, invest in implementing solutions and share their experiences. MORPC member governments are encouraged to take the pledge after studying a five-page explanatory packet.

Karen Carraher, OPERS executive director, will be the speaker at the January 28 Finance Administrators meeting. MORPC has been striving to get all Central Ohio communities to schedule Trick or Treat on the same night. But because 2020 is a leap year, the 31<sup>st</sup> falls on Saturday. So a new resolution was passed that refines the October 31<sup>st</sup> mandate. When the 31<sup>st</sup> falls on Monday-Thursday, Trick or Treat will be on that day but if on the weekend will then move to the Thursday prior to the 31<sup>st</sup>.

A resolution was passed amending the Transportation Improvement Program to include \$2 million for design towards a new I-71 interchange at Big Walnut Road. MORPC has been very involved in encouraging a broadening of HB 13 introduced by Representative Carfagna for an expansion of residential broadband. Effort has been to increase the funding in order to make it more impactful.

**Media Committee**

David Simmons had nothing to report.

**Other Business**

None.

**Executive Session**

None

**Adjournment**

Bob Molter made a motion to adjourn. Jason Hillyer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

A CD of the meeting is available for review.

**Next Meeting**

The next Council meeting will be held on January 27, 2019 at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at the Galena Village Hall.

Respectfully submitted, Michelle Dearth, Asst. Fiscal Officer

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Fiscal Officer

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Date

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Mayor

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Date

**Certification:** I, Suzanne Rease, 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.