



Minutes of the Village of Galena Council Meeting February 27, 2023

On February 27, 2023, the Village of Galena Council meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Village Hall, 109 Harrison St. and via Zoom, by Mayor Jill Love.

Roll Call

Jill Love, Mayor (Present)
Todd Musacchio, Council Member (Present)
Josh Porter, Council Member (Present)
Mike Fry, Council Member (Present)

Kathy Krupa, Council Member (Present)
Ruben Minor, Council President (Present)
Michelle Dearth, Fiscal Officer (Present)
Zach Hopper, Council Member (Present)

Also Present

Ken Molnar, Solicitor (Present on Zoom)

Jean Sylvester, Village Administrator

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

Minutes of January 23, 2023 Council Meeting

Ruben Minor made a motion to adopt the minutes of the January 23, 2023 Council meeting. Zach Hopper seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

Mark Rufener, K E McCartney

Mark Rufener, Village Engineer from K. E. McCartney talked to Council about grading for individual home sites in a subdivision. There is no oversite to homes after built. The subdivision code requires a grading plan. Delaware County has a process to have a lot grading plan, then it goes to the building department, an as built survey is done by a surveyor according to the building plan and no approval is done until certification is complete, final as built grading plan and then the final as built is approved. Mayor Love commented that this would help residents if there is a problem with the developers. Kathy Krupa questioned who would do the paperwork. It would be Levi Koehler and Mark Rufener. Mark commented it would be best if changes were made before the next development begins.

Gillian Doucette

Gillian Doucette, head of the playground committee and Jon Goodman presented to Council the progress of the playground committee. They explained who is on the committee, that all committee members have reviewed the grant, scheduled meetings with proposed companies, and they will hopefully updated details and a recommendation by the March 27th Council meeting. A copy of the meeting minutes from the playground committee are available upon request.

Guest Participation

Blake Austin, representing Rumpke came to Council to discuss the extension of the Rumpke contract for an additional two years. The three-year Rumpke contract is due to expire in March 2023. Rumpke is proposing a two- year extension until March of 2025, the new rate would be \$23.50 per month compared to \$19.20 with a quarterly fuel charge. Council also asked questions pertaining to loose recycling and blowing of trash. Mr. Austin replied that a supervisor does drive thru areas to double check that there is no trash left behind.

Wendell Faris, 324 Caleb's Ct. had concerns about his sewer bill going up. Mark Rufener explained that it is now based on water usage. Mr. Faris voiced his concern about usage in the summer and how it will affect the cost. Kathy Krupa commented that he is not alone about the concerns and the Village will be looking at charges and re-evaluating.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Love reported that the Galena Fall Gathering Committee had its first 2023 planning meeting, this years event will be October 14th. Mayor Love met with Joe St. John, Steve Pyles and Kevin Vaughn for their quarterly meeting to inform one another on what is going on in the area and possible collaboration. The Planning and Zoning Commission is revisiting some of the language in the Planning and Zoning code to provide more clear interpretation of density. The Master Plan is in the hands of DCRP and is being reformatted.

Village Administrator's Report

Village Administrator, Jean Sylvester reported that she is getting updated bids from contractors for Joe Walker Road. She negotiated a lower price for Zoom contract. Participated in grant webinars for community gardens, small and large community projects. Worked with Rumpke regarding contract and renewals. Worked with Spectrum regarding internet for new maintenance facility. Ordered new benches and traffic signs and is Currently taking Governing Essentials classes with OU -Voinovich School of Leadership and Public Service.

Fiscal Officer Report

Fiscal Officer, Michelle Dearth reported that she sent out 20 late sewer letters and 13 accounts still owe. Had numerous phone calls from residents about the new sewer billing. Completed the Ohio Municipal League Salary Survey and the Cemetery paperwork for Department of Commerce. There were 4 new residents and updated the master address list and sent out new resident packet.

Todd Musacchio made a motion to appoint Michelle Dearth as the Regional Council of Governments and Jean Sylvester as the alternate. Zach hopper seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Porter-Yes Minor-Yes Musacchio-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

Kathy Krupa and Mike Fry will not be able to attend the normally scheduled Council meeting on March 27, 2023 so the meeting has been changed to March 20, 2023.

Payment of Invoices for February

Mike Fry made a motion to pay invoices for February. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Porter-Yes Minor-Yes Musacchio-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

Approval of Financial Statements

Zach Hopper made a motion to approve the Financial Statements. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Porter-Yes Minor-Yes Musacchio-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

Code Compliance Annual Report

Levi Koehler's report stated that the Condo Association at the Retreat at Dustin is in the process of taking control of the infrastructure. There are no remaining lots at Arrowhead Lake Estates. Walkthroughs have

been done and a punch list has been established. There are no remaining lots at Blackhawk Phase D. M/I is in talks with Homewood about Miller Farm. At 1811 South Galena Road phase 1 construction is underway. 99 N. Walnut has been sold and is going to be demolished to all for the construction of a new home.

Maintenance Report

Ted Roshon's report stated that 2 park benches were installed along the trail. Moved into new maintenance facility. Limb and tree clean- up around the Village.

Wastewater Report

Mark Rammelsberg's report stated that there were no violations for the month, the 2022 sludge report was submitted and on 2-10-23 the Alum pump was replaced at the sewer plant.

Resolution No. 2023-01 (1st Reading, Emergency)

A Resolution Exercising The Year 4 and 5 Option Regarding Residential Curbside Recycling And Disposal Of Municipal Solid Waste And Declaring An Emergency.

Mayor Love read the Resolution.

Ordinance No. 2023-01 (1st Reading, Emergency)

An Ordinance Approving, Adopting And Enacting American Legal Publishing's Ohio Basic Code, 2023 Edition, As The Code Of Ordinances For The Municipality Of Galena, Ohio, And Declaring An Emergency.

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

Krupa-Yes Porter-Yes Minor-Yes Musacchio-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

Mike Fry made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-01 as an emergency. Ruben Minor seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Porter-Yes Minor-Yes Musacchio-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

Ordinance No. 2023-02 (1st 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 Love read the Ordinance. Todd Musacchio 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:

Krupa-Yes Porter-Yes Minor-Yes Musacchio-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

Mike Fry made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-02 as an emergency. Josh Porter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Porter-Yes Minor-Yes Musacchio-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

Delaware Regional Planning Commission Report

Mayor Love had nothing new to report.

MORPC Report

Mayor Love's report had some education opportunities. Elected officials training provided by the OU Voinovich Academy of Excellence and Ohio University is holding an Open House on their Online Master of Sustainability, Security and Resilience. MORPC's State of the Region "Powering Our Region Forward" is on March 31, at Hilton Columbus Downtown from 11:30 to 1:00.

B S T & G Fire Board Report

Ruben Minor reported that Chief Kovach will be out for a few weeks.

Planning and Zoning Commission

Mike Fry had nothing else to report that hadn't already been mentioned.

Other Commission Reports

None.

Other Business

Todd Musacchio will be working on getting a new Cemetery sign. Zach Hopper had a question about the new benches that were bought, he thought the money was taken out of the budget. The budget was reduced to \$2,000.00 for benches.

Ruben Minor gave his resignation to Council effective 3/1/23.

Zach Hopper made a motion to except Ruben Minor's resignation effective 3/1/23. Mike Fry seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 4 yes and 1 no vote.

Krupa-No Porter-Yes Musacchio-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

A recording of the meeting is available upon request.

Next Meeting

The next Council meeting will be held on March 20, 2023 at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Galena Village Hall and by Zoom.

Respectfully submitted, Michelle Dearth, Fiscal Officer.

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.