



Minutes of the Village of Galena Council Meeting April 22, 2024

On April 22, 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 (Absent)

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 March 25, 2024 Council Meeting

Josh Porter made a motion to adopt the minutes of the March 25, 2024 Council meeting. Gillian Doucette seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 voice vote.

A Public Hearing is Scheduled For April 22, 2024 At Village of Galena Council Chambers on the application of the Village in its capacity as a Developer within the meaning of Ohio Revised Code Section 349.01 E, and M/I Homes Of Central Ohio, LLC as Holder of an option to purchase the real property described by the application, to add certain parcels of real property to the Galena New Community Authority District, a New Community District established pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 349, and amend the original petition establishing the district and the Galena New Community Authority.

Mike Fry made a motion to open the hearing. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 roll call vote:

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

The hearing opened at 7:02 p.m.

There were no questions or discussion.

Mike Fry made a motion to close the hearing. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 roll call vote:

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

The hearing closed at 7:03 p.m.



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Guest Participation

Jennifer Wilson from the Delaware Public Health District updated Council that the 2023 annual report and the Village of Galena's community profile is available for review, and that there are several special collection options throughout the county.

Big Walnut High School students Isaiah Schutt, Mallory Kish, Kael Dorsey and Kathryn Russell along with their teacher Melissa Maxin, shared with Council their ideas on a logo design for the Village of Galena.

David O'Neal, Vice President of the Galena Historic Foundation updated Council on the park signs that have been ordered. They are in the manufacturing process, but he doesn't know when they will be received.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Kinnell reported that the Village has been working with Nathan Bell of the Ohio History Connection to look at preserving and protecting historical structures and to help establish state and federal funding. This initiative will likely steer the Village towards establishing a "Preservation Commission" which will require future legislation. The Village is still working towards updating the Village's Comprehensive Plan. The Village of Sunbury is organizing local townships and the Village of Galena to explore the establishment of a Joint Recreational District. Planning and Zoning approved the common purpose statement in the April meeting, and it will be presented at the May meeting for Council approval.

Administrator's Report

Village Administrator, Jean Sylvester reported that the Aggregation letter has been sent out to the residents. Rumpke/Hefty Renew is offering residents the opportunity to recycle hard to recycle plastic items by allowing them to be placed in an orange recycling bag to be picked up with the normal recycling. The Miller Park playground is tentatively set to begin installation on May 6, 2024. The old maintenance building suffered storm damage to the roof, so a decision will need to be made, in the near future as to what the Village wants to do with the building.

Fiscal Officer Report

Fiscal Officer, Michelle Dearth reported that one cemetery plot was sold and there was one cremation burial. The SLFRF report for the CARES ACT funds and the Secretary of State Municipal Roster were completed and submitted. Also met with Business Bankers from First Commonwealth Bank to discuss account relationships and further fraud protection has been added to our accounts.

The Pan Ohio Hope Ride for the American Cancer Society has asked if they can use Miller Park on July 26, 2024 for a water stop for the event.

Gillian Doucette made a motion to allow Pan Ohio Hope Ride to use Miller Park on July 26, 2024 for a water stop with proof of insurance being provided to the Village prior to the event. Zach Hopper seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 voice vote.

Payment of Invoices for April

Kathy Krupa made a motion to pay invoices for April. Gillain Doucette seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 voice vote.



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Approval of Financial Statements

Kathy Krupa made a motion to approve the financial statements for April. Gillian Doucette seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 voice vote.

Code Compliance Report

Levi Koehler's report stated that Blackhawk Phase D has no remaining lots and inspections will conclude when the last remaining lot is seeded or sodded. The Miller Farm project has been approved by Council. Phase 1 begins with the force main under Big Walnut Creek. Division 7 is constructing a new office building, and monthly storm water inspections have been completed. A list of property maintenance issues is being compiled and new violations will be sent out soon.

Maintenance Report

Ted Roshon's report stated that there was one cremation burial, that they are still working on storm clean up and mowing and trimming season has begun.

Wastewater Report

Brian Rammelsberg's report stated that there were no violations for the month and no new sewer taps. The heavy rain on 4/1/24 and 4/2/24 caused very high flows but did not cause any problems at the wastewater plant.

Resolution No. 20204-07 (1st Reading, Emergency)

A Resolution Approving The Application To Add Certain Parcels Of Real Property To The New Community Authority District And To Amend The Petition For Establishment Of The New Galena Community authority As A New Galena Authority Under Chapter 349 Of The Ohio Revised Code, And Declaring An Emergency.

Mayor Kinnell read the Resolution. Mike Fry made a motion to suspend the second and third reading. Josh Porter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 roll call vote:

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

Mike Fry made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-07 as an emergency. Gillian Doucette seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 roll call vote:

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

Ordinance No. 2023-16 (Tabled until April 22, 2024)

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



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Mayor Kinnell read the Ordinance. Zach Hopper made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-16 as an emergency and with the amendments recommended by Chip Porter. Mike Fry seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 roll call vote:

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

Ordinance No. 2024-02 (3rd 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. Mike Fry made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2024-02 as an emergency. Gillian Doucette seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 roll call vote:

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

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

An Ordinance Enacting A Temporary Moratorium On The New Construction Of, And The Village's Acceptance, Processing, Or Approval Of Any Right Of Way Construction Applications On New Occupancy In The Public Right Of Ways Of Any Utility Placed By Underground Or Directional Boring, And Declaring An Emergency.

Mayor Kinnell read the Ordinance.

Executive Session

None.

Other Business

Gillian Doucette updated Council about the Easter Egg Hunt. A huge thank you to Journey Church, Primrose and to Zach Hopper for being the Easter Bunny. The Church was packed and it was a huge success.

Adjournment

Mike Fry made a motion to adjourn. Josh Porter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 5-0 voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 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 May 20, 2024 at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Galena Village Hall and by Zoom.



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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.