

## **Minutes of the Village of Galena Council Meeting April 24, 2023**

On April 24, 2023, the Village of Galena Council meeting was called to order at 7:02 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)  
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.

### **A Public Hearing Is Scheduled For Monday, April 24, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. Regarding A Recommendation To Council For An Amendment To The Zoning Ordinance of 2021.**

The hearing opened at 7:02 p.m.

Solicitor Ken Molnar swore in anyone who was speaking.

Levi Koehler presented the changes to the Zoning Ordinance and answered any questions.

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

Porter-Yes   Durrence-Yes   Krupa-Yes   Musacchio-Yes   Fry-Yes   Hopper-Yes

The hearing was closed at 7:08 p.m.

### **Ordinance No. 2023-03 (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)**

#### **An Ordinance Adopting The Recommendation Of The Planning And Zoning Commission For Amendment To The Village of Galena Zoning Code Adopted On November 22, 2021 And Repealing Any Inconsistent Legislation And Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Love read the Ordinance. Mike Fry made a motion to suspend the second and third reading. Josh Porter seconded the motion and the motion passed in a 5-1 roll call vote:

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

Mike Fry made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-3 as an emergency. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed in a 5-1 roll call vote:



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

### **Minutes of March 20, 2023 Council Meeting**

Kathy Krupa made a motion to adopt the minutes of the March 20, 2023 Council meeting. Zach Hopper seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

### **John Theibert, Aspen Energy**

John Theibert from Aspen Energy presented to Council about the aggregation process and the savings that they could offer to the Village of Galena residents.

### **Gillian Doucette**

Gillian Doucette, head of the playground committee, was unable to attend the Council meeting but sent an update to Council, which Mayor Love read. The committee hopes to have a proposal at the May Council meeting.

### **Guest Participation**

David Gueye from the Delaware County Health Department reported that the Community Profiles are out and available on their website and reported that there is a pool and spa operators' class being offered on May 11, 2023.

### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Love reported that \$60,000.00 has been donated to the Galena Foundation for an Economic Development Planner. Mayor Love introduced Pete Casuccio, who will be sworn in at the next Planning and Zoning Commission meeting as the new Commission member. Mayor Love mentioned she has been gathering information about DORA (Designated outdoor Refreshment Area) and will be talking to the businesses about whether there is interest in pursuing this idea.

Mayor Love had Mark Rufener from KEM review with Council the Galena Development Overview in reference to the sewer plant. Mayor Love also asked that a Financial Commission be formed to assure that the numbers presented tonight are accurate and true picture.

The Commission will consist of Mike Fry, Chris Durrence and Zach Hopper and Chris Durrence will be the lead of this commission.

Josh Porter made a motion to form the Commission and Todd Musacchio seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

### **Village Administrator's Report**

Village Administrator, Jean Sylvester reported that a contract has been signed with AmeriCoat for the Joe Walker Road repairs and that this should be done on June 7 & 8. She has also been reviewing the personnel policy manual and worked with the Sheriffs Department about traffic concerns and how to get Special Duty officers for the Village for traffic control.

### **Fiscal Officer Report**



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Fiscal Officer, Michelle Dearth reported that 7 accounts still owe for their sewer accounts and that final letters will be sent out for collections before liens are placed on the resident's property. There were 3 new residents to the Village, 2 cemetery plots sold and 1 cremation burial.

### **Payment of Invoices for April**

Josh Porter made a motion to pay invoices for April. Chris Durrence seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Porter-Yes Durrence-Yes Musacchio-Yes Fry-Yes Hopper-Yes

### **Approval of Financial Statements**

Mike Fry made a motion to approve the Financial Statements. Josh Porter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Porter-Yes Durrence-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, the project is in contract. At 1811 South Galena Road phase 1 construction is underway. There have been preliminary talks with Berkshire Campground about future expansion and the lift station pumps have been repaired. 99 Walnut St had a variance request which was approved at the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

### **Maintenance Report**

Ted Roshon's report stated that crack sealing was completed on Harrison St. Weekly mowing and trimming throughout the Village is occurring. Prepared for one cremation burial.

### **Wastewater Report**

Mark Rammelsberg's report stated that there were no violations for the month and 4 new sewer taps. Suez was at the plant on the 19-21<sup>st</sup>. They pulled out one of the membranes filters to inspect and everything looked great. They also performed a recovery clean on train 1 and trained them on how to pull the filters and do recovery cleans.

### **Delaware Regional Planning Commission Report**

Mayor Love had nothing new to report.

### **MORPC Report**

Mayor Love's report stated that she attended the Development showcase with housing entities of all types, which was a good learning opportunity and she also attended the state of the region for MORPC.

### **B S T & G Fire Board Report**



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Todd Musacchio reported that B.S.T. & G. raised the part-time wages by \$3.00 per hour to a more competitive rate of \$15.00-\$18.00 per hour. They are also working on their ten-year plan and expansion plan.

### **Planning and Zoning Commission**

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

### **Other Commission Reports**

Todd Musacchio reported that the Cemetery Committee met and discussed a new sign in the main area and having Hooper's help with trimming in the Cemetery once a month at the end of the month for 6 months for the \$1800.00 that was budgeted to help assist Ted and Cody in the Cemetery. Todd also said they are in need of volunteers to help get ready for Memorial Day in the Cemetery.

Mayor Love mentioned that Zach Hopper is the only member on the Events Committee. Zach Hopper proposed changing the name of the committee to the Special Events Committee and the motion passed with a 6-0 voice vote. Chris Durrence was added to the Committee.

### **Other Business**

Solicitor Ken Molnar mentioned that the Galena Foundation needs 2 more people on the board and he is also looking into whether a Council member can be on the board.

Mayor Love proposed a committee to choose the Economic Development Company. The Committee will be Josh Porter, Mike Fry and Chris Durrence.

Josh Porter made a motion to create the committee and Chris Durrence seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

### **Adjournment**

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

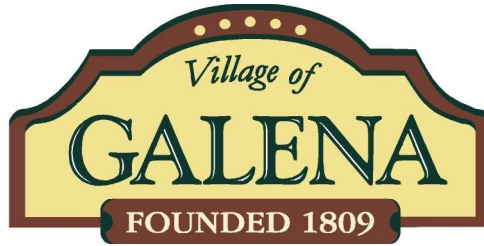
The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

A recording of the meeting is available upon request.

### **Next Meeting**

The next Council meeting will be held on May 22, 2023 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

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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.