



## **Minutes of the Village of Galena Organizational Council Meeting January 6, 2025**

On January 6, 2025 the Village of Galena Organizational Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 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)

Michelle Dearth, Fiscal Officer (Present)  
Zach Hopper, Council Member (Present)

Kathy Krupa, Council President (Present)

### **Also Present**

Ken Molnar, Solicitor

Tom Marshall, Village Administrator

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **Minutes of December 16, 2024 Council Meeting**

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

### **Election of New Council President**

Gillian Doucette and Josh Porter were both interested in the Council President position. Kathy Krupa made a motion for Gillian Doucette to be considered for the Council President position. Pete Casuccio seconded the motion. Kathy Krupa made a motion for Josh Porter to be considered for the Council President position and Mike Fry seconded the motion.

A paper ballot was completed for the Council President and Gillian Doucette was chosen as the new Council President.

### **Election of Zoning Commission Council Representative**

Josh Porter, Kathy Krupa, Mike Fry and Pete Casuccio were interested in the Zoning Commission position.

Kathy Krupa made a motion for Josh Porter to be considered for the Zoning Commission position. Pete Casuccio seconded the motion.

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Kathy Krupa made a motion for Mike Fry to be considered for the Zoning Commission position. Gillian Doucette seconded the motion.

Kathy Krupa made a motion for Pete Casuccio to be considered for the Zoning Commission position. Gillian Doucette seconded the motion.

A paper ballot was completed for the Zoning Commission position with all four interested parties under consideration. After the first vote there was not a majority vote received for any one person.

A ballot re-vote was completed with the top two parties being considered which were Kathy Krupa and Mike Fry. Kathy Krupa was selected as the Zoning Commission Council Representative.

### **Committee Appointments**

**Attached to the minutes is the Committee Appointments.**

### **Planning and Zoning Appointment**

Mayor Kinnell asked for a motion from Council to re-appoint Seth Everitt to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Josh Porter made a motion to re-appoint Seth Everitt to the Planning and Zoning Commission Mike Fry seconded the motion and the motion passed in a 6-0 roll call vote:

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

### **Payment of Remaining Invoices for December 2024**

Kathy Krupa made a motion to pay the remaining invoices for December 2024. Gillian Doucette seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

### **Public Participation**

None.

### **Resolution No. 2024-25 (3<sup>rd</sup> Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution Adopting Rules Of Council For Calendar Year 2025; and Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Kinnell read the Resolution. Kathy Krupa made a motion to postpone until January 27, 2025 Council meeting. Gillian Doucette seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

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

### **Resolution No. 2024-37 (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading, Emergency)**

**A Resolution Approving A Temporary 2025 Budget For the Village of Galena, And Declaring An Emergency.**

Mayor Kinnell read the Resolution. After a lengthy discussion Gillian Doucette made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-37 as an emergency. Zach Hopper seconded the motion and the motion passed in a 5-1 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes   Doucette-Yes   Hopper-Yes   Casuccio-Yes   Fry-No   Porter-Yes

### **Resolution No. 2025-01 (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)**

**A Resolution Establishing A Joint Recreation District And Appointing Trustees To The Joint Recreation District Board Of Trustees.**

Mayor Kinnell read the Resolution.

**Ordinance No. 2025-01 (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)**

**An Ordinance Providing For The Termination Of A Tax Increment Financing Exemption Previously Authorized By This Council By Repealing Ordinance No. 2024-06 Approved On July 29, 2024 Under The Authority Of Ohio Revised Code Section 5709.40 ( C ); Declaring Certain Parcels Of Real Property To Be Nonperforming Parcels Pursuant To Ohio Revised Code Section 5709.40 ( A ) ( 9) And Approving Related Matters.**

Mayor Kinnell read the Ordinance.

**Ordinance No. 2025-02 (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)**

**An Ordinance Establishing Ten Incentive Districts And Declaring Improvements To Certain Real Property Within The Incentive Districts To Be A Public Purpose, And Exempt From Real Property Taxation; Identifying Certain Public Infrastructure Improvements Made, To Be Made, Or In the Process Of Being Made, That Will Benefit Or Serve The parcels In The Incentive Districts; Requiring The Owners Of Those Parcels To Make Service Payments In Lieu Of Taxes; Establishing A Municipal Public Improvement Tax Increment Equivalent Fund For The Deposit Of Such Service Payments; Approving And Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Tax Increment Financing Agreement With M/I Homes Of Central Ohio, LLC And Other Agreements And Approving Related Matters.**

Mayor Kinnell read the Ordinance.

**Executive Session**

None.

**Other Business**

Gillian Doucette made a motion to approve the Calendar of Events. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

**Adjournment**

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

Council adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

**Next Meeting**

The next Council meeting will be held on January 27, 2025 at 6 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

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Mayor

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Date

**Certification:** I, Michelle Dearth, 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.