



Minutes of the Village of Galena Council Meeting June 26, 2023

On June 26, 2023, the Village of Galena Council meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Village Hall, 109 Harrison St., by Mayor Jill Love.

Roll Call

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

Kathy Krupa, Council President (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.

Minutes of May 22, 2023 Council Meeting

Kathy Krupa made a motion to adopt the minutes of the May 22, 2023 Council meeting. Mike Fry seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

Gillian Doucette-Playground Committee

Gillian Doucette, head of the playground committee reported that the committee voted unanimously to propose to Council Mid States Recreation as the official vendor for the playground project. Ms. Doucette then introduced Patty Hobson owner of Mid States Recreation. Ms. Hobson answered a few questions from Council about the company and the plan.

Resolution No. 2023-07 (1st Reading, Emergency)

A Resolution Authorizing A Contract For Professional Services With Midstates Recreation To Create, Design, Supervise, And Complete The Construction Of A Playground For Miller Park And Declaring An Emergency.

Mayor Love read the Resolution. Kathy Krupa made a motion to suspend the second and third reading. Chris Durrence 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

Josh Porter made a motion to Adopt Resolution No. 2023-07 as an emergency. Chris Durrence 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-Yes



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Guest Participation

Amy Mayer, 479 Hawking Drive, voiced her opinion to Council about sewer bills and communication concerns. The letter written by Ms. Mayer is available upon request.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Love reported that there has been a lot of work done on preparing for the Galena Fall Gathering on October 14, 2023. Mayor Love said she addressed resident calls regarding Delco changes, Rumpke billing and trees removed from the back of residents property. M/I presented at the development meeting, then made their formal submittal and continue to have discussions. Mayor Love also said that she spoke with the local businesses about a Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) and they are all on board, so the Village will be moving forward with the appropriate legislation.

Village Administrator's Report

Village Administrator, Jean Sylvester's reported that the Joe Walker Road project has been completed and the Village website has been updated. She also reminded Council to check their Village e-mails daily.

Fiscal Officer Report

Fiscal Officer, Michelle Dearth reported that 4 accounts still owe for their sewer accounts and one resident is in foreclosure and the Village will have to wait until after the sale of the house to see if they will receive any payment. Legislation for sewer liens is being prepared. There has been numerous calls with questions about the new sewer billing/irrigation rate. Worked with Longstreth Memorials to coordinate 4 foundation orders and is working BHM who will be doing the Village Audit for 2021 & 2022 the week of July 17th.

Payment of Invoices for June

Kathy Krupa made a motion to pay invoices for June. Mike Fry 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

Kathy Krupa made a motion to approve the Financial Statements. Mike Fry 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 Report

Levi Koehler's report stated that 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 work is ongoing. Force main details are being finished and Storm Water inspections have been conducted by the Zoning Inspector and Mark Rufener of KEM. There have been preliminary talks with Berkshire Campground about future expansion and the lift station pumps have been repaired.



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Maintenance Report

Ted Roshon's report stated that the maintenance department has been busy mowing and trimming. Miscellaneous painting has been completed around the Village. Four foundations were staked out for Longstreth to complete the foundation orders and completed one cremation burial. The basketball court has been sealed and painted.

Wastewater Report

Mark Rammelsberg's report stated that there were no violations for the month and no new sewer taps. The motor on one of the screens failed at the Wastewater treatment plant and a new one was ordered to replace it.

Delaware Regional Planning Commission Report

Mayor Love had no report.

MORPC Report

Mayor Love's had no report.

B S T & G Fire Board Report

Kathy Krupa reported that they are making progress with land for the new fire station. Looking at 36/37 area unless it becomes too costly to clear and then they would have to look elsewhere.

Planning and Zoning Commission

Mike Fry reported that at the June 21, 2023 meeting there was a hearing to approve the amendment to the subdivision Regulations. The commission voted unanimously to approve the amendment and a hearing will be at the July 24, 2023 Council meeting to review the recommendation. The M/I public hearing will be on July 19, 2023.

Other Commission Reports

Zach Hopper reported that the Historic foundation will not be holding a flea market at Miller Park this year.

Other Business

Zach Hopper asked if approval was needed for the Burger Bash sign on Village Property? Mike Fry made a motion to approve signage for the Burger Bash on the bridge and public property. Zach Hopper seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 6-0 voice vote.

Zach Hopper recommended the park land in the Communities at Galena (17 acres) be named after John Bland, for all his contributions to the Village. Kathy Krupa suggested obtaining a map of the park land and doing a proclamation.

Executive Session



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Zach Hopper made a motion to adjourn to executive session for personnel matter 121.22G1. Mike Fry 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

Council adjourned to executive session at 8:43 p.m.

Josh porter made a motion to return to regular session at 9:16 p.m. and Todd Musacchio 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

Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

A recording of the meeting is available upon request.

Next Meeting

The next Council meeting will be held on July 24, 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.