



Minutes of the Village of Galena Council Meeting May 20, 2024

On May 20, 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 (Absent) On
Zoom

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.

Chris Durrence arrived at 7:07 p.m.

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Mike Fry made a motion to adopt the minutes of the April 22, 2024 Council meeting. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 4-0 voice vote.

A Public Hearing is Scheduled For Monday May 20, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. Regarding An Amendment To The Zoning Ordinance Of 2021 As Recommended By The Planning And Zoning Commission.

Mike Fry made a motion to open the hearing. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 4-0 roll call vote:

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

The hearing opened at 7:03 p.m.

Levi Koehler was sworn in.

Levi presented the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of 2021 and read Galena's Common Purpose Statement

There were no questions or discussion.

Mike Fry made a motion to close the hearing. Josh Porter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 4-0 roll call vote:

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



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The hearing closed at 7:06 p.m.

Mike Fry made a motion to adopt the Galena Common Purpose Statement. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 4-0 roll call vote:

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

Guest Participation

Jennifer Wilson from the Delaware Public Health District updated Council that the Sunbury office will be closing on May 31, 2024. The summer season has begun with festivals and activities and if there are any questions feel free to contact the Health Department.

Alex McCarthy, director, Delaware County Office Of Homeland Security and Emergency Management updated Council about the FEMA support, the Small Business Administration, and the long term/low interest loans. Representatives from each group discussed what was available for residents and businesses.

Andy Volenik, Executive Director, Delaware County Transportation did a presentation for Council on the Core Services offered to Delaware County residents.

A copy of the presentation is available upon request.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Kinnell reported that the Village is working towards a Historic Preservation Initiative and Alison Cherubini spoke about the next steps that Council should expect. The Galena Dora is established and in effect and working on getting signage and the rules and regulations to the business owners. The City of Sunbury is organizing local townships and the Village of Galena to evaluate the establishment of a shared recreational district. The Big Walnut Middle School students spent the day on May 1st trimming, mulching and beautifying the square. Still working on updating the Comprehensive Plan.

Administrator's Report

Village Administrator, Jean Sylvester reported that the insurance was finalized and boring has begun for Miller Farm. The playground is being installed and the events committee will be organizing a ribbon cutting. Waiting for RFP's for the new maintenance facility.

Fiscal Officer Report

Fiscal Officer, Michelle Dearth reported that there was one cremation burial and four foundation orders were completed. Development invoices were sent out and there have been numerous inquiries about renting the Village Hall.

Payment of Invoices for May

Kathy Krupa made a motion to pay invoices for May. Chris Durrence 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 May. Chris Durrence 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. Construction has begun. The Zoning Inspector completes daily inspections of the work along with the engineering inspector. Division 7 is constructing a new office building, monthly storm water inspections have been completed and the sewer connection on Holmes St. will begin at the end of May or in early June. 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, mowing and trimming throughout the Village and working on removing the dirt from the playground.

Wastewater Report

Brian Rammelsberg's report stated that there were no violations for the month and no new sewer taps. There was a power outage at the Walnut St. lift station.

Ordinance No. 2024-05 (2nd 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.

Ordinance No. 2024-06 (1st Reading, Emergency)

An Ordinance Creating 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 That Once Made 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 An Incentive District 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 Declaring An Emergency.

Mayor Kinnell read the Ordinance.

Executive Session

None.



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Other Business

Chris Durrence said the sewer refunds have been reviewed and they are ready to be processed.

Gillian Doucette said the Memorial Day service is at 1:00 and Karin Underwood will be making the wreath.

Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20p.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 June 24, 2024 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.