



**Minutes of the Village of Galena Council Meeting
September 27, 2021**

On September 27, 2021, 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. and via Zoom, by Mayor Jill Love.

Roll Call

Jill Love, Mayor (Present)
David Simmons, Council Member (Present)
Todd Musacchio, Council Member (Present)
Eric Johnston, Council Member (Present)
Mike Fry, Council Member (Present)

Kathy Krupa, Council Member (Present)
Ruben Minor, Council President (Present)
Suzanne Rease, Fiscal Officer (Present)

Also Present

Jeffrey White, Village Administrator
Michelle Dearth, Asst. Fiscal Officer

Ken Molnar, Solicitor

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

A Public Hearing was scheduled for Monday, September 27th, 2021 at 7:00 P.M.

On A Recommendation from The Planning & Zoning Commission To Amend The Village Zoning Ordinance.

David Simmons made a motion to open the hearing. Ruben minor seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

The hearing was opened at 7:01 p.m.

Solicitor, Ken Molnar swore in anyone who was wishing to testify or speak.

Levi Koehler briefly stated that the hearing before Village Council is from the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission to amend the Village Zoning Ordinance.

Council had numerous questions and comments that will be addressed in an updated draft of the Village Zoning Ordinance.

Solicitor, Ken Molnar suggested that public comments be allowed.

George Reis, 4797 St. Andrews Dr. Westerville, Ohio 43081 said he came to see what is changing and if it will affect is business in any way.

Levi Koehler commented that nothing should affect his business.

David Simmons made a motion at 7:15 p.m. to continue the hearing until the October 25, 2021 Council meeting. Mike Fry seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

Ordinance No. 2021-16 (1st Reading)

An Ordinance Adopting A Revised Zoning Ordinance For The Village Of Galena, And Repealing Any Inconsistent Legislation Including The Prior Zoning Code Adopted On 10/24/01.

Mayor Love read the Ordinance.

Minutes of August 30, 2021, Council Meeting

David Simmons made a motion to adopt the minutes of the August 30, 2021, Council meeting (including the e-mail from Galena Diner). Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

Guest Participation

Fire Safety Inspector, Rocki Huddleston, representing B.S.T. & G. reported that they are working on a new Event Permit Package for public events in the community. The purpose of the package is to provide event organizers with a comprehensive list of the necessary permits, inspections, and safety requirements.

Jamie Stevens, John Anderson and Chris DeVol recapped for Council the Burger Bash for Pelotonia. The community came together to make the event a huge success. They thanked numerous people and businesses for donating and helping with the event. They would like to do the event next year on July 16, 2022 and possibly other future events.

Chris DeVol, owner of Son of Thurman and Nick Ridenour, owner of The Galena Diner had some concerns about Summerfest and how it affected their business. Parking was a big issue and not being informed about how things would be set up near their businesses.

Nancy Murphy, GGCA informed Council that she would be retiring from Summerfest after 10 years. Mrs. Murphy was told that the businesses were complaining about her strong arming them for donations, she wanted to set the record straight that she had never spoken to the businesses about Summerfest.

Michelle Parsons, 115 Middle St. wanted to thank everyone who helped with Summerfest, and said the bands were fabulous. She did have concerns about no information desk or EMT station, safety measures need to be in place for emergencies.

Jennifer Wilson from The Delaware Health Department updated Council that COVID-19 cases continue to go up and they are looking at schools at how to keep cases down. They are recommending getting the flu shot and the COVID-19 booster and they have been able to start visiting and inspecting business.

Village Administrator's Report

Village Administrator Jeff White reported that the Village engineer has developed a strategy to address drainage issues along the Walnut Creek Trail. Phase 1 the curve between the sanitary lift station and the bridge over Big Walnut Creek at a cost of \$38,094.79. Phase 2 east of sanitary lift station at a cost of \$63,403.00 and Phase 3 between Harrison St. and Bridge over Big Walnut Creek at a cost of \$80,896.00. A potential funding source for trail projects is the Community Multi-use Trail Improvement Grant Program (CTIG) by the Preservation Parks of Delaware County. David Simmons commented that it makes sense to move forward with Phase 1 and Todd Musacchio agreed. The N. Walnut St. Culvert construction is expected to start on 9/21/2021 and be completed in the same week. The Joe Walker paving project has been pushed back to October.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Jill Love reported that Summerfest took place with a nice crowd and thank you to the GGCA for having the event. Planning and Zoning continues to work on the Master Plan and an online survey is being prepared for community feedback. Sambucas has been sold and the new owner plans to keep it a farm market. The Galena Diner is in the process of building a new full kitchen that will accommodate the Diner and a new wine bar/charcuterie.

Fiscal Officers Report

Fiscal Officer Suzanne Rease reported that there were 18 new residents, 2 burials, 2 cremation burials, 1 Ruffner Park rental and 1 Galena Village Hall rental. We had a meeting with Natalie from RITA to discuss the Village's filings and collections and we audited the list of RITA filers and delinquencies. Council discussed a Peddler's Permit application and fee. David Simmons suggested adding a nonprofit or charitable section to the application and a \$75.00 fee to include back-ground check. Suzanne and Solicitor Ken Molnar will work on this application.

George Reis inquired about putting a hold on the sewer account for 104 Holmes St., the house is eventually going to be burnt down.

David Simmons made a motion to put a hold on the sewer account at 104 Holmes St. Mike Fry seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

51 Middle St. (Vet Clinic) has inquired about putting a hold on the sewer account until the building is built.

Ruben Minor made a motion to put a hold on the sewer account at 51 Middle St. (Vet Clinic) until it is built. Todd Musacchio seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote.

Approval of Financial Statement

Kathy Krupa made a motion to approve the financial statements. Ruben Minor seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Minor-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Johnston-Yes Fry-Yes

Payment of Invoices for September

David Simmons made a motion to approve the invoices for September. Ruben Minor seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Minor-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Johnston-Yes Fry-Yes

Code Compliance Report

Levi Koehler's report stated that Storm Water inspections have been conducted at the Retreat at Dustin, and Phase 2 construction is underway. Arrowhead Lake Estates Phase 2 construction is underway, and Mark Rufener and Levi met on site to discuss drainage. Miller Farm engineering has been approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission and some details are being worked out by the Village Engineer and the Development Agreement is under review by Village staff and addresses have been assigned for Phase 1. Mylar has been received for 51 Middle St., sewer tap equivalency has been determines and the Development Agreement is being drafted. Developer for Vans Valley/ Joe Walker is preparing documents for initial submission.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Report

Brian Rammelsberg's report stated that there were no violations for the month. There were 7 new sewer taps for the month. The plant has been experiencing foam so we started wasting more and adding a defoamer to the tanks. Flowline will be coming on 9/24/21 to clean the excess foam off the top of the tanks. Jon Van Dommelen with the Ohio EPA came out on 9/22/21 to take samples and look at the samples under a microscope to help us with our foam. He will be providing a report on 9/24/21. The chemical feed system is ready, and we will be meeting with the chemical company representative on 9/24/21 to set up deliveries.

Resolution No. 2021-09 (1st Reading, Emergency)

A Resolution Accepting The Amounts And Rates As Determined By The Budget Commission And Authorizing The Necessary Tax Levies And Certifying Them To The County Auditor And Declaring An Emergency.

Mayor Love read the Resolution. David Simmons made a motion to suspend the second and third reading. Mike Fry seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Minor-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Fry-Yes Johnston-Yes

David Simmons made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-09 as an emergency. Ruben Minor seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Minor-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Fry-Yes Johnston-Yes

Resolution No. 2021-10 (1st Reading, Emergency)

A Resolution Authorizing the Application for A Grant To Preservation Parks Of Delaware County For The Purpose Of Engineering, Inspection, Management, And Construction For Repairs To the Walnut Creek Trail, And Declaring An Emergency.

Mayor Love read the Resolution. David Simmons made a motion to suspend the second and third reading. Todd Musacchio seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Minor-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Fry-Yes Johnston-Yes

Todd Musacchio made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-10 as an emergency. Mike Fry seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Minor-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Johnston-Yes Fry-Yes

Resolution No. 2021-11 (1st Reading, Emergency)

A Resolution Approving The Following Accounts For Ohio Public Works Grant And Associated Expenses. 4202-422-0010; OPWC Grant Proceeds & Appropriations Account And 4202-800-396 Capital Projects Street For Recording Grant Disbursements And Declaring An Emergency.

Mayor Love read the Resolution. David Simmons made a motion to suspend the second and third reading. Eric Johnston seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Minor-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Johnston-Yes Fry-Yes

David Simmons made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-11 as an emergency. Eric Johnston seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Minor-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Johnston-Yes Fry-Yes

Resolution No. 2021-12 (1st Reading, Emergency)

A Resolution Authorizing An Increase In the Budget In the Amount Of Seventy-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars And Twenty-Nine Cents (\$77,725.29); A Grant As Part Of The American Rescue Act (ARP) and Authorizing Disbursement Of These Funds For the Purpose Of Paying Expenses Related To The Corona Virus, And Declaring An Emergency.

Mayor Love read the Resolution. David Simmons made a motion to suspend the second and third reading. Todd Musacchio seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Minor-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Johnston-Yes Fry-Yes

Ruben Minor made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-12 as an emergency. Kathy Krupa seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Minor-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Johnston-Yes Fry-Yes

Resolution No. 2021-13 (1st Reading, Emergency)

A Resolution Approving The Following Accounts For The American Rescue Funds Act Funds And Authorizing Disbursement Of These Funds For the Purpose Of Improvements Needed Due To Corona Virus. Revenue Account 2152-419-000 And Appropriation Account 2152-549-000 Sewer Improvements, And Declaring An Emergency.

Mayor Love read the Resolution. Eric Johnston made a motion to suspend the second and third reading. Mike Fry seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Minor-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Johnston—Yes Fry-Yes

Ruben Minor made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-13 as an emergency. Eric Johnston seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 roll call vote:

Krupa-Yes Minor-Yes Simmons-Yes Musacchio-Yes Johnston-Yes Fry-Yes

Delaware Regional Planning Commission Report

Mayor Love reported Mike Frommer, Delaware County Administrator has resigned and they are looking for a replacement. Delaware County Subdivision regulations were approved.

MORPC Report

Mayor Love reported that MORPC continues to be a wonderful resource for Grants, transportation and safety updates, health and wellness, solar, etc. Meetings are now back in person.

BST&G Fire Board Report

Ruben Minor reported that there was nothing new.

Planning and Zoning Commission Report

Kathy Krupa had nothing else to report that hadn't already been covered in other reports.

Bee City USA

Nothing to report.

Other Commission Reports

None.

Other Business

Wreaths Across America will be on December 17, 2021, a one- time event that the Boy Scouts are involved in and will take place in the Galena Cemetery.

Eric Johnston mentioned that the Personnel Committee met with Bill Vance a Local Government Consultant who has extensive experience helping growing communities. He has worked with small organizations helping with grant writing and other supportive services. His fee would be \$500.00 per month for unlimited hours and the first month is free.

Eric Johnston made a motion to move forward with legislation to hire Bill Vance. Mike Fry seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously in a 6-0 voice vote. Solicitor, Ken Molnar will prepare the hiring legislation for the October 25, 2021 Council meeting.

Executive Session

None.

Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

A recording of the meeting is available upon request.

Next Meeting

The next Council meeting will be held on October 25, 2021, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Galena Village Hall and by Zoom.

Respectfully submitted, Michelle Dearth, Assistant Fiscal Officer

Asst. Fiscal Officer

Date

Mayor

Date

Certification: I, Suzanne Rease, 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.