

CITY OF GALESBURG COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

September 11, 2017 7:00P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Carl called the meeting to order 7P.M. A moment of silence for all people going thru hard times and also in remembrance of 9/11

**PLEDGE:** Led by Council.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Judy Lemon, Rich Pawlawski, Ken Kissinger, Doug Smith, Becky Harmon, Keith Diller and Carl Newton.

**AGENDA:** Motion by Diller to approve Agenda with the following adds #8 Correspondence, Consumers Energy Hearing, Old Business: D. Gas supply fencing DPW: E. Committee for reorganization of police dept.; New Business E. Kalamazoo County do we want parcel 07-24-201-153; F. Discussion of police chief change of hours. DPW: well inspection, balance as presented supported by Kissinger. Voice vote yes. 7/0

**MINUTES:**

Motion by Diller to approve August 7, 2017 minutes as presented, support by Pawlawski. Voice vote yes. 7/0

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. We have on file at City Hall minutes for July 2017 Fire Board, & Treasurer report. DDA July 2017 Minutes and Treasurer report.
2. Comcast is updating a new way to interact with channel line-up. (on file)
3. KVRT golf scramble \$150-\$250 per person to raise \$ for trail (on file)
4. Consumers Energy Public Hearing 9/12/2017 9AM on Renewable Energy Plan costs. (Info)
5. How courts look at Employee Handbooks. (Info)
6. Schedule of MMMA Board regular sessions. (Info)
7. Possible use of MCL 15.183 Extra duties Statute.
8. Consumers Energy Hearing 9/21/2017 on gas cost recovery.

**COMMUNITY COMMENT:**

1. Lori West: 1. Pilot Farmers Market. 2. Overall Trash & Vegetation around town. Motion by Smith to allow use of 1/2 the City Parking lot on Mill St. for 9/12,19&26/2017, for farmer's market pilot, support by Harmon. YES: Kissinger, Pawlawski, Smith, Lemon, Harmon, Newton. NO: Diller
2. Helena Hayes: Motion by Kissinger to allow use of community room for book sale Nov 9-10<sup>th</sup> (no charge), support by Diller. YES: Smith, Pawlawski, Lemon, Diller, Harmon, Kissinger, Newton. NO: 0
3. Jan Kershner: 1. Residents need pride in our town and to keep it clean. 2. Police employees and hours they should work.
4. Richard Switzer: The trash in this town is becoming a major problem.
5. Teresa Post: Trash and junk cars are a big problem at 163 & 175 E Battle Creek St. I have done the written complaint but received no calls returned from police. Also at 163 he is living in the van.
6. Vickie Newton: Motion by Kissinger to grant use of the community room no charge for 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month for release time 11AM-1:30PM, support by Diller. Voice vote Yes 7/0

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. Motion by Diller to approve Resolution 09112017-1 golf carts See attached copy, support by Harmon. YES: Lemon, Smith, Harmon, Diller, Newton. NO: Pawlawski, Kissinger.
- b. Schedule of Lansing MMMA meetings for information.
- c. Reminder of MML on Medical Marihuana 10-3-2017 at Arcadia Ales Brewery.
- d. Motion by Kissinger to approve Kalamazoo Fence for \$1534.09 fuel location fence, support by Diller. YES: Kissinger, Diller, Smith, Harmon, Pawlawski, Lemon, Newton. NO:

- e. Motion by Diller to formalize a committee to look into restructuring the police department, support by Lemon. ( Committee: Harmon, Lemon, Newton, West, Heppler) Voice vote Yes.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Motion by Smith to allow Museum expansion on approval of Planning Commission and City Council, support by Diller. YES: Diller, Kissinger, Pawlawski, Smith, Lemon, Harmon, Newton. NO:0
- B. Noted previously in Old Business C.
- C. Motion by Smith that Galesburg City Council would not like to see the ½ mile rule changed, support by Kissinger. Voice vote all yes.
- D. No appointment needed Diller to remain on Museum Board.
- E. Motion by Diller refuse property ownership of Parcel # 3907-24-201-153, support by Kissinger. YES: Lemon, Pawlawski, Kissinger, Smith, Harmon, Diller, Newton. NO:0
- F. Additional discussion on police department.

**REPORTS:**

Motion by Kissinger to accept July 2017 Treasurer's report as presented, support by Diller. Voice vote all yes. 7/0

Motion by Kissinger to pay the bills in the amount of \$44,177.32, support by Diller. YES: Lemon, Diller, Kissinger, Pawlawski, Smith, Harmon, Newton NO: 0

DPW: 1. Motion by Kissinger to approve \$500.00 for annual wells inspection, support by Smith. YES: Diller, Kissinger, Pawlawski, Smith, Lemon, Harmon, Newton. NO: 0. Information-The City relating to the SAW Grant we are now finishing the company Umbaugh would like to address the complete council on possibilities that may be used to do Water-Sewer-Street projects and how they might be funded, so a date needs to be agreed on.

**POLICE REPORT:**

Motion by Kissinger to accept police report as presented, support by Diller. Voice vote all yes. 7/0

DDA: 1. Motion by Kissinger to approve Community Room use no charge on October 27, 2017, to the DDA, support by Pawlawski. Voice vote all yes. We will be bagging candy on Oct 25<sup>th</sup> after monthly meeting.

FIRE BOARD: Look to current minutes for business discussed. (On file)

**COUNCIL COMMENT:**

Ken: 1. Assessor letter on items that needed to be submitted that were not the State of Michigan has stated they could vote to take over our roll. The items have been submitted we are waiting for a determination by the State.2. Thanks DPW for trees being trimmed.

Keith: 1. 173 E Battle Creek St. has a pick-up in the front yard.

2. 163 E Battle Creek St had a bonfire going after 8PM. (Owner was cited for this.) 3. Fence on mill St is it on City right of way?

**ADJOURN:**

Motion by Kissinger to adjourn, support by Pawlawski. Voice vote yes.7/0

Respectfully submitted  
Karen Bresson, Clerk