

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION  
GALESBURG CITY COUNCIL  
AUGUST 3, 2009; 7:00 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS,  
GALESBURG CITY HALL  
200 E. MICHIGAN AVE.  
GALESBURG, MI 49053**



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The regular meeting of the Galesburg City Council was called to order by Mayor Allen at 7:00 p.m.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**PRESENT:** Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling Allen.

**ABSENT:** None

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Allen.

**III. COMMUNITY COMMENT**

Karl Nock of 70 Washington stated a complaint about the house at 90 Washington. He has previously complained about the state of this property to the City Clerk who reportedly engaged the building official. He later phoned in a complaint and spoke with the Treasurer who was to inform the building official. Still nothing has been done about the problem. He knows from experience that the City can do something about these homes, because when another house from his neighborhood became the subject of complaints; the city condemned the house and it has since been purchased and rehabilitated. The City needs to step up and do something about this property. He wants the members of the Council to go over and look at this place.

John Bishop of Galesburg Auto on Portage Rd. in Kalamazoo, said that he wants to bring his used car business back to Galesburg. He wants to put it at the old Galesburg Ford location currently owned by Councilmember Yingling, but the City Clerk has informed him that the zoning of that property does not allow automotive sales. He read the description of a C2-Commercial zoning district to the Council. This district specifically allows retail sales. Retail sales of automobiles are just what he wants to do. He asked the Council to grant him permission to use the lot for the sale of used cars based on the "retail sales" description in the zoning code. He stated that he buys insurance cars that have been damaged by accident, but they will be repaired before they come onto his lot. His business is the sale of automobiles, not service; there will be no

repair of automobiles at this location. He does need to be able to purchase cars from insurance companies for resale.

Councilmember Nicolow said that he talked to Mr. Carpenter about this the other day. The zoning over there used to be correct for automotive sales, obviously, because the Galesburg Ford garage was there.

City Clerk Miner told council members that the C1-Commercial District specifically allows the sale and service of automobiles, while the C2 zoning does not.

City Attorney Soltis asked for clarification of Mr. Bishop's statement. He will only be selling cars. No automobile servicing whatsoever? Mr. Bishop said that is correct. Attorney Soltis said there is more than one way to address this issue. The C1 District specifically states that retail sales and service of automobiles are allowed and C2 District generally lists retail sales. When you have two provisions, one specific and one general, the specific overrules the general. That means that automotive sales are allowed in the C1 District but not in the C2 District. The final word on interpretation of the zoning code would be from the Zoning Administrator. The Zoning Board of Appeals is the body that would be able to grant Mr. Bishop's request. The property could be rezoned to C1 and would then be allowed to be used for automotive sales and service. Another option is to amend the language of the zoning ordinance itself to add language for automobile sales but not service. This body, however, does not do interpretation of the zoning code. That is done by the zoning administrator, not the City Council.

Mayor Allen pointed Mr. Bishop in the direction of Zoning Administrator, Walter Girardi for interpretation of the zoning code.

Dan Frizzo of Prein & Newhof conducted a presentation of the capabilities of the GIS system that Galesburg currently uses only for water and sewer mains. The City's use of this program can be expanded to fill the need for improvements to the zoning map, utility system, assessing system, and tax system. Bringing these uses into the GIS for Galesburg would create a program where you could get any information you want about any lot in the City with a couple of clicks of the mouse. You could access platting information, tax information, zoning

information, water and sewer hookup, all from one site. It would bring the City's information into the real world. The City is currently using old plat and zoning maps that have not been updated and most likely are not 100% accurate.

Ann Nieuwenhuis, Kalamazoo County Commissioner for District 15 said that this type of GIS system provides a great service to the community. She has used this type of system for other communities and highly recommends it for Galesburg.

Garry Henson, Galesburg Charleston Fire Chief said that the City of Kalamazoo uses the drug house overlay. He has used this capability in other townships in their emergency response activities. They are great to work with.

Mike Schwartz of Prein and Newhof said that the DPW could bring up all sewer leads, water leads and storm sewer leads related to any given parcel. A lot of municipalities use the read only version of the software. That allows them to just look at zoning, water and future land use and to turn the development maps on and off.

Councilmember Garrett said that she has a letter from the Fire Department to the City Council. The person who wrote the letter was told that it needed to go through the Fire Board. She believes that is wrong. This letter should have gone to the personnel committee. Instead, it went to Councilmember Kissinger who did nothing with it. She stated that Councilmember Kissinger did the wrong thing. This letter needed action to be taken on it, and no action was taken.

Councilmember Jackson said that he believes that the proper action was taken. The letter was written by an employee of the Galesburg Charleston Fire Department.

Mayor Allen said that this letter should have ultimately been presented to the Mayor. The Fire Board Chairman should have the first step in the process. An individual who has a complaint about the City Council or City Council meeting should have come to the Council.

Garry Henson said that the letter was given to him at a Fire Board meeting and he passed it on to Councilmember Kissinger. The person who wrote the letter is here tonight. He was unhappy about something that happened at a City Council meeting.

Councilmember Nicolow said that he saw the letter for the first time tonight. He agrees that the letter should have been presented to the City Council and it was not.

Councilmember Garrett said that is because it was given to Councilmember Kissinger who should have seen that it went through the proper channels.

Councilmember Kissinger said that he went on vacation the week after being given the letter at a Fire Board meeting and does not remember what he did with the letter. He has no problem with the letter being referred to the personnel committee.

Motion by Councilmember Yingling and supported by Councilmember Jackson that the letter in question be referred to the Personnel Committee.

Motion approved by unanimous vote.

#### **IV. READING AND APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

Motion by Councilmember Garrett and supported by Councilmember Nicolow to table the minutes of July 6, 2009 until such time as the Clerk has been given a copy of the letter read into the record by Councilmember Jackson at that meeting and has incorporated the text of the letter into those minutes.

Motion approved by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling, Allen.

NAYS: None

Motion by Councilmember Jackson and supported by Councilmember VanNess to approve the minutes of June 30, 2009 as submitted.

Motion approved by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling, Allen

NAYS: None

#### **V. CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Letter from Mike Swartz of Prein & Newhof submitting information to the MDNR wildlife division regarding the City's Downtown Improvement Project Environmental Review.

#### **RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE**

2. Letter from the City of Kalamazoo submitting a request that the Galesburg City Council adopt a resolution in support of their proposed fare increases for Transit Busses.

#### **REFERRED TO THE CITY CLERK**

3. Application for appointment to the Galesburg Memorial Library Board filed by Cheryl Cadwell of 86 Washington.

## REFERRED TO THE LIBRARY BOARD

4. Application for appointment to the Galesburg Memorial Library Board filed by Julie Howes of 50 Grant St.

## REFERRED TO THE LIBRARY BOARD

5. Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services News Reporter.

## RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

6. Letter from the State of Michigan Department of History Arts and Libraries State Historic Preservation Office signing off on the City of Galesburg Downtown Improvement Project Grant Request.

## REFERRED TO THE CITY CLERK

7. Letter from the Michigan Municipal League regarding the MML Pool & Fund Loss Control Services #5002580.

## RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

8. Letter from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Drinking Water Revolving Fund providing notice of a public hearing to be held August 26, 2009 regarding their Draft FY 2010 Project Priority List for DWRP Funding.

## RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

9. Petition signed by 26 Residents of Morhouse Dr. requesting installation of speed limit or other traffic control signs on Morhouse.

## ACTION WAS TAKEN TO APPROVE THE PLACEMENT OF SPEED LIMIT SIGNS; SEE RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION

10. Notice of a hearing for the customers of Consumers Energy Company for reconciliation of its electric choice incentive mechanism.

## RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

11. Letter from Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services Environmental Health Division regarding staff cuts for their Methamphetamine Cleanup Services in Kalamazoo County.

## RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

12. Letter from the State of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality providing a report of Lead and Copper levels in Galesburg Drinking Water.

## RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

**VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

There were no scheduled public hearings.

**VII. ACTION ITEMS****A. Resolutions for Action**

1. Authorizing expenditure of funds for Mower Repair.

**RESOLUTION #080309-01  
AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS  
FOR MOWER DECK &  
LEAF AND GRASS CLIPPING BAG**

At a regularly scheduled meeting of the Galesburg City Council held on Monday, August 3, 2009, at 7:00 P.M. with Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling and Allen present, and none absent, the following resolution was offered by Councilmember Nicolow and supported by Councilmember Garrett.

Whereas, the Galesburg Department of Public Works is in need of a new mower deck and vacuum attachment for the riding mower; and

Whereas, the DPW has solicited and received bids from 3 retail merchants quoting prices for the mower deck and vacuum attachment, the lowest quotation coming from Starr Lawn & Garden in the amount of \$3,630; and

Whereas, the Department of Public Works currently has funds available in account # 661-000-970-000 Capital Outlay Vehicle.

Now therefore be it resolved, that the City Council authorizes the expenditure of \$3,630 for the purchase of a new mower deck and vacuum attachment in the amount of \$3,630 from account 661-000-970-000.

Motion by Councilmember Nicolow and supported by Councilmember Garrett to place an affirmative roll call vote on the resolution.

Motion approved by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling, Allen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

2. Approving Meeting Schedule.

**RESOLUTION #080309-02  
RESOLVED BY GALESBURG CITY COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING MEETING  
SCHEDULES**

**Whereas**, the City of Galesburg City Council meets in Council Chambers at Galesburg City Hall, 200 E. Michigan Ave., Galesburg, MI 49053 at 7:00 P.M.; and

**Whereas**, the City Council wishes to adopt a schedule of their meetings for 2009/2010; and.

**Now therefore be it resolved**, that the City Galesburg City Council hereby adopts the following schedule of City Council meetings for 2009/2010;

Monday, August 3, 2009	Monday, February 1, 2010
Tuesday, September 8, 2009	Monday, February 15, 2010
Monday, October 5, 2009	Monday, March 1, 2010
Monday, October 19, 2009	Monday, March 15, 2010
Monday, November 2, 2009	Monday, April 5, 2010
Monday, November 16, 2009	Monday, April 19, 2010
Monday, December 7, 2009	Monday, May 3, 2010
Monday, December 21, 2009	Monday, May 17, 2010
Monday, January 4, 2010	Monday, June 7, 2010
Tuesday, January 19, 2010	Monday, July 5, 2010

BE it further resolved, that the schedule of meeting for City Boards and Authorities is as follows:

The Galesburg Memorial Library Board meets at Galesburg Memorial Library 180 E. Michigan Ave., Galesburg, Michigan on the last Tuesday of each month at 4:30 P.M.

The Galesburg Historic Museum Board meets at the Museum 188 E. Michigan Ave., Galesburg Michigan on third Wednesday of each month at 5:00 P.M.

The Galesburg Planning Commission meets on the third Thursday of each month at 7:00 P.M. except in June the Planning Commission will meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month. Meetings are held in Council Chambers at Galesburg City Hall 200 E. Michigan Ave., Galesburg, Michigan.

The Galesburg Charleston Joint Fire Board meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers at Galesburg City Hall 200 E. Michigan Ave., Galesburg, Michigan.

The Galesburg Downtown Development Authority meets on the last Wednesday of each month at 7:00 P.M., in Council Chambers at Galesburg City Hall 200 E. Michigan Ave., Galesburg, Michigan.

The Galesburg Parks Board meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M., in Council Chambers at Galesburg City Hall, 200 E. Michigan Ave., Galesburg, Michigan

The Zoning Board of Appeals meets on a hearing basis only.

Motion by Councilmember Kissinger, and supported by Councilmember VanNess, to place an affirmative roll call vote on the resolution.

YEAS: Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

3. Affirming the Action Taken at the June 15, 2009 Meeting to Approve Expenditure of Funds for Purchase of Property for Construction of Fire Department.

Councilmember Jackson pointed out that this resolution does not identify a funding source.

City Attorney Soltis said the funding source should have been identified before the original motion was passed, but should at least be included here.

Councilmember Garrett said that she believes the city can find the money to pay for this property, just like they did for the matching funds for the downtown improvement grant.

Councilmember Jackson said that at the joint meeting between Galesburg and Charleston in March, they were assured that there would be no cost to either community to pursue this grant award.

Garry Henson, Galesburg Charleston Fire Chief, said that this grant will bring \$1,000,000 to the City Fire Department, if received. The chances of receiving the grant award are a long shot. They are simply asking for a commitment that if the grant is awarded the city will appropriate the necessary funding to purchase property for construction of a new fire station.

Attorney Soltis asked if there is a written offer on a piece of property.

Chief Henson answered that there is an option to purchase a particular parcel of property contingent upon the receipt of a grant. They should know about receipt of the grant award by the end of 2009.

Attorney Soltis asked if the City is willing to pay \$45,000 out of the City's funding sources if the grant is awarded.

**RESOLUTION #080309-03  
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF GALESBURG  
KALAMAZOO COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

At a regularly scheduled meeting of the Galesburg City Council held on Monday, August 3, 2009, at 7:00 P.M. with Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling, Allen present, and none absent, the following resolution was offered by Councilmember Nicolow, and supported by Councilmember Garrett.

**WHEREAS**, at their regularly scheduled meeting held June 15, 2009, the Galesburg City Council did vote by a vote of 4 yeas, 2 nays and 1 absent to authorize the expenditure of up to \$45,000 for the acquisition of property for construction of a new fire station; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council was subsequently advised by legal counsel that the action taken on June 15, 2009, required a written resolution to authorize the expenditure of funds for the purchase of property for a public use; and

**WHEREAS**, at the regularly scheduled meeting held on July 6, 2009, the City Council did direct the City Clerk to bring a resolution to the August 3, 2009 meeting ratifying the action taken at the June 15, 2009 City Council meeting.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Galesburg City Council hereby ratifies the action taken at the June 15, 2009 City Council meeting to authorize the expenditure of up to \$45,000 for the purchase of property for construction of a new fire station.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that THE CITY IS NOT LIABLE FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY IF THE GRANT AWARD IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE GALESBURG CHARLESTON JOINT FIRE AUTHORITY

Motion by Councilmember Nicolow, and supported by Councilmember Garrett, to amend the resolution to add a further resolved clause stating that "THE CITY IS NOT LIABLE FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY IF THE GRANT AWARD IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE GALESBURG CHARLESTON JOINT FIRE AUTHORITY" and to place an affirmative roll call vote on the resolution as amended.

Motion approved by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmembers Garrett, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling

NAYS: Councilmembers Allen, Jackson

ABSENT: None

4. Authorizing the Expenditure of Funds for the Purchase of Water Meters.

**RESOLUTION #080309-04  
RESOLVED BY THE GALESBURG CITY COUNCIL  
AUTHORIZING WATER METER PURCHASE**

**Whereas**, the City of Galesburg has adopted a budget for Fiscal Year 2009/2010; and

**Whereas**, said budget adequately provides for the purchase of Water Meters to allow the Department of Public Works to perform necessary replacement of damaged water meters as needed; and

**Whereas**, the Department of Public Works has reported that their inventory of water meters has been used to the point where it is necessary to order new water meters; and

**Whereas**, the DPW recommends the purchase of water meters in the amount of \$4,000; and

**Whereas**, funds are available in account number 591-560-729-000 for the purchase of said water meters.

**Now therefore be it resolved**, that the Galesburg City Council hereby approves the purchase of water meters in the amount of \$4,000 from account #519-560-729-000.

Motion by Councilmember VanNess and supported by Councilmember Jackson to place an affirmative roll call vote on the resolution.

YEAS: Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling, Allen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

5. Authorizing the Expenditure of Funds for Inspection, Maintenance and Cleaning of Morhouse Sanitary Sewer System Lift Station.

**RESOLUTION #080309-05  
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING  
EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS  
FOR REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF  
MORHOUSE DR. SANITARY SEWER LIFT STATION**

At a regularly scheduled meeting of the Galesburg City Council held on Monday, August 3, 2009, at 7:00 P.M. with Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling and Allen present and none absent, the following resolution was offered by

Councilmember Kissinger and supported by Councilmember VanNess.

WHEREAS, the Galesburg Department of Public Works has budgeted for repair and maintenance to the Morhouse Dr. Sanitary Sewer Lift Station in the 2009/2010 Fiscal Year Budget; and

WHEREAS, the DPW has determined the necessity of performing said repair and maintenance to the lift station and has identified N.R. Mitchell Company, the Firm that constructed the Lift Station as a sole source provider for the repair and maintenance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Public Works is hereby authorized to contract with N.R. Mitchell Company for the necessary repair/maintenance to the Morhouse Dr. Sanitary Sewer Lift Station at a cost of \$450 to be charged to 590-540-930-000.

Motion by Councilmember Kissinger and supported by Councilmember VanNess to place an affirmative roll call vote on the resolution.

YEAS: Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling, Allen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

6. Authorizing the Installation of Traffic Control Device; Speed Limit Signs on Morhouse Dr.

**RESOLUTION #080309-06  
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF GALESBURG**

At a regularly scheduled meeting of the Galesburg City Council held on Monday, August 3, 2009, at 7:00 P.M. with Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling, Allen present, and none absent, the following resolution was offered by Councilmember Nicolow and supported by Councilmember Garrett.

**WHEREAS**, Galesburg Mayor, Gary Allen has received complaints from residents of Morhouse Dr. about driving cars on Morhouse Dr., a residential street having many families with small children, far in excess of legal speed limits; and

**WHEREAS**, the Galesburg City Council, at their meeting of August 3, 2009, received a petition signed by 26 residents of Morhouse Dr. requesting that the Council authorize the installation of speed limit signs on their street.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that speed limit signs be posted restricting speed to 25 mph; one for east bound traffic and one for west bound traffic, said speed limit signs to be recorded as TCO-09-01 and TCO-09-02 respectively.

Motion by Councilmember Nicolow and supported by Councilmember Garrett to place an affirmative roll call vote on the resolution for traffic control.

Motion approved by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling and Allen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

**VIII. REPORTS OF OFFICERS & BOARDS**

a. Accounts payable

Motion by Councilmember Garrett and supported by Councilmember VanNess to accept the report from City Clerk Miner showing accounts paid and payable through August 3, 2009 in the amount of \$46,872.75

Motion approved by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling, Allen

NAYS: None.

b. Treasurer's Report

Motion by Councilmember Kissinger and supported by Councilmember VanNess to accept the Treasurer's Report showing a total balance in all funds of \$1,473,727.46.

Motion approved by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling, Allen

NAYS: None

c. Police Report

Motion by Councilmember Kissinger and supported by Councilmember Jackson to accept the Police Report.

Motion carried unanimously.

d. Department of Public Works

Rob Wilson, Supervisor of the DPW said that they have put the truck specifications together and are getting ready to write the letter to go out to dealers requesting bids. He should have the bids back by the September meeting. The YOU kids will be available to do some work for the City when the DDA completes all the tasks they have scheduled. If anyone has anything that needs to be done, they should get in contact with him about it.

c. Minutes of City Boards & Commissions;

- Galesburg Historical Museum; Minutes of June 17, 2009
- Galesburg DDA; Minutes of June 24, 2009

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

**X. OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

**XI. COUNCIL COMMENT**

Council Garrett said that the Clerk has brought back the letter that she requested be written to Comstock Township and signed by all Councilmembers regarding the condition of property in Comstock Township just west of Galesburg, next door to Suburban Medical Center. She requested that Councilmembers affix their signatures to the letter so that it can be mailed to Comstock.

Councilmember Yingling thanked Sgt. Heppler of the Galesburg Police Department for the professionalism he demonstrated in the handling of the missing person report recently.

Councilmember Kissinger said that he has a letter County Commissioner Nieuwenhuis gave to him from Western Michigan University. They have a grant writer who will work with the Parks Board. He reported that the Parks Board has asked him to request that the Bathrooms in Community Park be opened during the day on week days.

DPW Supervisor Wilson said that opening the bathrooms during the day poses several problems. One, there is no one to patrol them and make sure that vandalism is not being done. With the bathhouse so far away from the office building there is no way to see who is using it and what they are doing. The City cannot afford to replace the sinks, toilets, showers and bathrooms stalls out there if they are damaged. Second, there is no one on duty in DPW to lock them at the end of the day.

Councilmember Jackson said the on duty police officer could be responsible for locking the restrooms.

Mr. Wilson reiterated his concern regarding vandalism. City Clerk Miner agreed the likelihood of property damage exists. She said there has even been a problem with the men's bathroom in City Hall recently.

Motion by Councilmember Jackson and supported by Councilmember Yingling that the Community Park Bathrooms be opened on a daily basis between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.

Motion approved by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmembers Jackson, Kissinger, Nicolow, VanNess, Yingling, Allen

NAYS: Councilmember Garrett

Councilmember Kissinger said that he has another item for discussion. The Park Board has been working on organizing a "Haunted Run" through the cemetery to raise money for the Park Board this fall. Participants would all be dressed in their Halloween costumes.

Mayor Allen reported that the City Clerk has received a letter from a citizen requesting reimbursement for sidewalk repair. Traditionally, the City reimburses the tax payer for up to 50% of the cost of sidewalk repair. This one request would cost the City \$1,200, which it has not budgeted. He asked the Council what their preferences are in this matter.

Councilmember Nicolow said that if we always do this then we should be consistent.

Attorney Soltis said that the City could declare a moratorium saying that they have not budgeted money for these reimbursements this year.

Councilmember Garrett asked how many City parking lots are being plowed at no cost to the businesses whose customers use them. She advocates assessing a cost to these businesses for snow plowing of the parking lots.

Motion by Councilmember Jackson and supported by Councilmember VanNess to issue a moratorium on reimbursements for sidewalk repair until June 30, 2010.

Motion approved by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmembers Garrett, Jackson, Kissinger, VanNess, Yingling, Allen

NAYS: Councilmember Nicolow

Mayor Allen called a meeting of the Water/Sewer Rules Committee for Thursday at 8:30 A.M.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilmember Kissinger and supported by Councilmember Jackson to adjourn.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted;

Debbie Miner, CMC  
Galesburg City Clerk, CFO