

# CITY OF GALESBURG COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 5, 2011

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Garrett called the meeting to order at 7:00P.M.

**PLEDGE:** Pledge was led by the council.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Henson, Kissinger, Yingling, Nicolow and Mayor Garrett. Absent: VanNess

**APPROVE AGENDA:** Motion by Kissinger to approve agenda as presented with additions 4 and 5 under new business (Dave Artley per Ann Nieuwenhuis & G/C Fire Dept.) supported by Henson. Voice vote all yes.

**MINUTES:** Motion by Yingling to approve the minutes of November 7, 2011 as presented supported by Kissinger. Voice vote all yes except Henson abstained.

Motion by Kissinger to approve minutes of November 14, 2011 as presented, supported by Nicolow. Voice vote all yes except Yingling abstained.

## CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. On file at City Hall we have October minutes for Fire Board, Memorial Library, and Memorial Museum. DDA are not passed did not have a quorum.
- B. Consumers Energy 12-6-2011 meeting to set future hearing dates.
- C. Kalamazoo County Health Dept. will close to all public water testing as of 12-28-2011.
- D. Comcast change in channel lineup 1-22-2012.
- E. Food Bank of S. Central MI need help, services up 22%.
- F. Council petitions are due in clerk's office 12-6-2011 by 4:00PM for election 2-28-2012.

## COMMUNITY COMMENT:

Brad Carpenter, for Patty Hearst of Cable Access Center. Could we please look into back payments of \$15,000. We receive from Comcast. Karen Bresson: Can we get a report is anyone from Galesburg using this service.

Todd Walterspaugh: Asked for a 4 hour Guthrie Room rental price.

Motion by Nicolow 4hr. resident \$75/Deposit\$50. All Day

\$150/Deposit\$100. Non Res. 4hr.\$125/Deposit\$50.All Day

\$250/Deposit\$100 support by Kissinger. Yes:Nicolow,Kissinger

No:Yingling, Henson, and Mayor Garrett. Absent: VanNess Failed.

Motion by Kissinger 4hr. rental of Guthrie Room \$50/Deposit\$50.

Supported by Yingling. Yes:Yingling, Kissinger, Henson, and Mayor

Garrett. No: Nicolow Absent: VanNess Passed.

Linda Carlton: Can DDA use white posts and chain for Winter Wonderland?

Motion by Yingling to allow DDA to use white chain and posts from City, supported by Kissinger. Voice vote all yes.

## NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion by Henson to allow a special exception use under C-2 for Checkered Past Cycles, for Repair, Restoration, Sales and Storage of motorcycles support was made by Kissinger. Yes:Kissinger, Henson, Yingling, Nicolow and Mayor Garrett. No:0 Absent VanNess

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2. Motion by Kissinger to accept the specifications drawn up by M. Carpenter for removal of 25 E. Battle Creek St. building, as well 23 E. Battle Creek St. and 55 E. Battle Creek St., Bids to be good for 60days. The City reserves the right to reject all bids, not in the best interest of the City, supported by Henson. Yes: Nicolow, Kissinger, Henson, Yingling, and Mayor Garrett. Absent: VanNess
3. Info Bill of \$19,018.67 received after tax sale on Blank property. No motions presented at this time.
4. Ann Nieuwenhuis no funds available at this time. Maybe after New Year. Kalamazoo County has no funds.  
Motion by Henson to send out bids for demolition of 23-55 E. Battle Creek St. immediately. Separate quotes for each building. Quotes due in City Hall by 4:00PM January 3, 2012 supported by Kissinger. Voice vote all yes.  
M Carpenter to supply Karen with list of contractors. Karen to send letter to Mr. March to be present at the January 3, 2012 meeting.
5. Information on G/C Fire Dept.: Introduced Kevin Roomsburg as Chief; Joe Coleman as Deputy Chief; Captains: Jack Moses, Bruce Turner Lieutenant: Rob Wilson, Derik Henson

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. Motion by Henson to accept Banghart bid \$ 5770.00 to take down the structure at 90 Washington St. if amount includes septic and well, and to proceed with project supported by Kissinger. YES: Nicolow, Yingling, Kissinger, Henson and Mayor Garrett. NO: 0 Absent: VanNess  
a-1.  
Motion by Henson no permit is to be issued to Mr. Bosier for demolition supported by Kissinger. Voice vote all yes.
- b. Motion by Nicolow to accept Resolution for intent to adopt DDA development/TIF Plan as presented with possible hearing date of January 16, 2012 if plan is approved at January 3, 2012 meeting and split the cost of necessary mailing NTE \$200 supported by Yingling. Yes: Kissinger, Henson, Yingling, Nicolow and Mayor Garrett. Absent: VanNess
- c. Health Insurance / Dental tabled only discussion.
- d. Motion by Kissinger to appoint Henson to Planning/Zoning Board, supported by Yingling. Voice all yes, Henson abstained.
- e. Motion by Kissinger to adopt Resolution # 12052011-01 on MEMAC as presented, supported by Henson. Yes: Yingling, Nicolow, Henson, Kissinger, and Mayor Garrett. Absent: VanNess

**REPORTS:**

Motion by Kissinger to accept the October 2011 treasurer report as written, support by Henson. Voice vote all yes.  
Motion by Kissinger to approve November 2011 accounts payable report for payment, support by Henson. Voice vote all yes.

**DPW:**

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Motion by Henson to get a quote for sewer cost study from Prien & Newhoff. Support was made by Kissinger. Voice vote all yes.

Motion by Kissinger to buy a new tractor tire for \$340. Support was made by Henson. Voice vote all yes.

**POLICE REPORT**

Motion by Kissinger to accept police report as written, supported by Nicolow. Voice vote all yes.

Motion by Yingling to purchase (4) tires for Tahoe from Mike's Tire for \$522. Support was made by Kissinger. Voice vote all yes.

Motion by Kissinger to purchase a lap top for police car \$798. And programming of \$50. Support was made by Yingling. Yes: Nicolow, Yingling, Kissinger, Henson, and Mayor Garrett. Absent VanNess No:0

**COUNCIL COMMENT:**

Sheila, welcome to David Henson new council member.

Ken, need check for donuts, for wed. night.

Dave, would like to look into information, and tax history on the Snyder building.

**ADJOURN:**

Motion by Henson to adjourn, supported by Kissinger. Voice vote all yes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Bresson Clerk