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CITY OF GALESBURG COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
January 3, 2012 7:00P.M.

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

PLEDGE: Led by City Council

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

Motion by Nicolow to excuse Kissinger had to work, supported by VanNess. Voice vote all yes.

AGENDA: Motion by VanNess to amend adding #3 to new business(90 Washington pay approval, and Single purchase \$ approval)& approve agenda as amended, supported by Henson. Voice vote all yes.

MINUTES: Motion by Henson to approve December 5, 2011 minutes as written, supported by Yingling. Voice vote all yes, with abstention by VanNess.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. On file at City Office minutes Fire Board November, Memorial Museum no quorum, Memorial Library November, and DDA October and November.
- B. Comcast changes in fees and line-up.
- C. MDOT new toll rates for Mackinac Bridge \$4.00 per passenger car.
- D. S.W. Region Transportation 2012-2016 Bridge replacement and rehabilitation and capacity improvement schedule.
- E. Kalamazoo County Street Directory, available on line (free) or in print for \$12.00 each.

COMMUNITY COMMENT:

Linda Carlton asked for Community Room no charge for Greater Galesburg Days planning . Motion by VanNess to allow no charge use of the Community Room January 23, 2012 at 5PM for Greater Galesburg Day planning, supported by Yingling. Voice vote all yes.

Donna Kowalewski with the Library requested information on hiring new part time help. Information was to hire per policy, starting with application.

Craig Newton, at the luncheon provided, do you think we could have fund raisers to bring in money to update the Community Room. All thought it a good idea.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion by Henson to accept Ambulance Provider Agreement (Pride Care) with new dates starting in 2012 with (1) year and two (3) year renewals possible supported by VanNess. Yes: Nicolow, Yingling, VanNess, Henson and Mayor Garrett. Absent: Kissinger
2. Motion by Nicolow to repair main office copier for \$187.34, supported by Henson. YES: Henson, VanNess, Yingling, Nicolow, and Mayor Garrett. ABSENT: Kissinger
3. Motion by Nicolow to raise single purchase without approval to NTE\$300.00 larger amounts requiring 3 estimates support by Henson. YES: Henson, Yingling, VanNess, Nicolow, and Mayor Garrett. ABSENT: Kissinger
4. Motion by Henson to pay Banghart Excavating all but \$300.00 on the 90 Washington St. contract, until seeding is done in the

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spring. YES: VanNess Nicolow, Henson, Yingling and Mayor Garrett.

ABSENT: Kissinger

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. DDA discussion , information only; Henson wanted clarification on the DDA Plan passed out, in reference to a possible 2.0 mil levy, and the possibility of borrowing for low interest loans, and or grants. All of these possibilities will have to be voted on by City Council. The public hearing will be held on January 16, 2012 at 7PM in the Community Room at Galesburg City Hall. All notices and mailing will be done by the DDA. Approval must be within 60 days of this meeting if agreed.
- b. Information on sewer rate study: Prein & Newhof put in a bid for \$6500.00. Michigan Rural Water Association can do a study for free. They are coming to our offices on January 9, 2012 and we will see how it works.
- c. Bids for the demolition of 23, 25, and 55 E. Battle creek street were opened and read. Balkema Site and Development: 23, \$6,500. 25, \$16,500. 55, \$12,500. Pitsch: 23, \$12,400. 25, \$31,900. 55, \$20,900. Ace Construction: 23, \$14,500. 25, \$26,200. 55, \$28,400. After discussion with Mr. March. He will get back to us before the February Meeting. Motion by Nicolow to table action until then support by VanNess. Voice all yes.
- d. Ike Payne & Community Parks, will be going back out for bid in January. With bid openings in February.

REPORTS:

Motion by Henson to approve treasurer report as presented, support by VanNess. Voice vote all yes.

Motion by Nicolow to accept and pay accounts payable report as presented, support by Henson. Voice vote all yes.

DPW- no issues at this time.

Motion by Nicolow to accept police report as written, support by VanNess. Voice vote all yes.

COUNCIL COMMENT:

Karen, Joe Walls will address the February meeting on 6-30-2011 financial statement.

Karen, Biddergy will be sending check for auction items from DPW and Police Dept.

Sheila, We will be starting interviews for police dept.

Jim, can Ric Mau issue citations for sidewalks not shoveled? Yes.

Donna, Library is getting wi/fi

Sheila, add Library & DDA under reports

Jim, Thanks C. Newton for great lunch.

Mike, great plow job, DPW.

Jan, great turn out for Carol Pierman fund raiser.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Henson to adjourn, support by VanNess. Voice vote all yes.

Respectfully submitted

Karen Bresson, Clerk