

CITY OF GALESBURG COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 11, 2013 7:00P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Carl Newton called the meeting to order 7P.M.

PLEDGE: Led by Craig Newton & Council. After a moment of silence for the veterans.

ROLL CALL: Present: Henson, Craig Newton, Kissinger, Smith, Diller and Mayor Carl Newton. ABSENT: Butler

AGENDA: Motion by Kissinger to add E. Quad Cities Little League and F. District Library Committee under New Business balance of agenda to remain the same and approve agenda as amended, supported by Diller. Voice vote yes.

MINUTES: Motion by Kissinger to approve October 7, 2013 minutes as written supported by Diller. Voice vote yes. No: -0-

CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. We have on file at City Hall minutes for September 2013: DDA, Library, Fire Board, and Museum.
- B. Comcast change in channel lineup (on file).
- C. Motion by Kissinger to approve payment to Carl Newton in the amount of \$351.99 for MML annual meeting supported by Henson. Voice vote yes
- D. Customer Service Training will be 12-19-13 at 9:00AM to 12:00Noon.

COMMUNITY COMMENT:

Jim Nicolow: (4) Questions to the Council

- 1. What is your definition of a raise?
- 2. What is the basis of determining a pay increase?
- 3. Where is the money coming from?
- 4. What are your plans for the rest of the employees?

David Henson:

In my opinion the police department is costing too much for what we are getting. Also I have asked for a compensation committee to meet.

Carl Newton:

We (meaning the City) are going to work toward a fair and just solution.

Karen Bresson:

You have to look at where the money is to know if there is money to spend.

Craig Newton:

Maybe we should look to the employees for insight, they work with it daily.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Hourly increase for Barb Horn (Not addressed)
- 2. Info:Our efforts with the recycle center to date have been very successful.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Motion by Diller to approve resolution as presented for SAW grant asset management plan with 0% match funds in the amount of \$1,128,980., supported by Kissinger. YES: Smith, Cr. Newton, Henson, Diller, Kissinger and Mayor Newton. NO:0. ABSENT: Butler.
- B. Motion by Henson to approve Jeanne Case to DDA Board support by Diller. Voice vote yes.
- C. IFT Smith Machine new building review for next meeting
- D. IFT Smith Machine new equipment review for next meeting
- E. Quad Cities Little League contract, out for review and discussion next meeting.
- F. Draft of District Library agreement for discussion and review at the next meeting.

REPORTS:

Motion by Kissinger to approve September 2013 treasurer report as presented, support by Henson. Voice vote yes.

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Motion by Henson to accept and pay October 2013 accounts payable of \$16942.67 report as presented, support by Smith. YES: Cr. Newton, Kissinger, Henson, Diller, Smith, and Mayor Newton. NO:0 ABSENT: Butler

DPW:

Motion by Henson to authorize Backhoe repair NTE \$1,400.00, support by Kissinger. YES: Diller, Kissinger, Cr. Newton, Smith, Henson, and Mayor Newton NO:0 ABSENT: Butler.

Motion by Kissinger to authorized Plow truck blades NTE \$1,000.00 support by Henson. YES: Diller, Kissinger, Cr. Newton, Smith, Henson, and Mayor Newton NO:0 ABSENT: Butler

POLICE-

Motion by Henson to accept police report as presented, support by Kissinger. Voice vote yes.

LIBRARY-: Cooking nuts 11/13/13 in Community Room; Dine out 11/19/13

Applebee's

DDA- Linda,

PARKS-Kissinger: We have come to a possible agreement for QCLL copies will be distributed for December meeting.

FIRE- New truck is still on drawing board with February-March delivery. We have a plan B if existing truck is sold prior to new truck delivery.

COUNCIL COMMENT:

David: I will forego my comments on DDA letter until December meeting.

Craig Newton: Motion by Craig Newton to appoint Keith Diller for Deputy Mayor, support by Smith. Voice vote yes. (1) Abstention.

Doug Smith: Information: It is my understanding there have not been any cost of living increases to employees since 2008 at this time the percentage is 11%. Cost to the City for going back 1yr. \$5500. 2yr. \$17,000. 5yr. \$36,000.

ADJOURN:

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

Respectfully submitted
Karen Bresson, Clerk