

CITY OF GALVA)
COUNTY OF HENRY) SS
STATE OF ILLINOIS)

The City Council of the City of Galva met in regular session Monday October 06, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. with Debbie VanWassenhove serving as City Clerk. Mayor Rich Volkert presided with the following Aldermen in attendance: John Wirth, Jayme Hopping, Jeff Olson, Jackie Clucas, Doug Anderson, and Rick Otterstrom.

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

Alderman Olson made a motion and was seconded to approve the September 08, 2025 council meeting minutes and corrections from December 2, 2024 public hearing minutes. The vote was 6 yeas and no nays.

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Alderman Clucas moved and was seconded that the bills and claims be approved as presented and the City Clerk is instructed to issue orders on the Treasurer's account for the several amounts. The vote was 6 yeas and no nays.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Volkert reported that the City had received: State of IL: August Video Gaming tax \$2,827.27, August Cannabis tax \$310.48, August Income tax \$21,994.03, July State Use tax \$2,226.89, July Telecommunications tax \$1,471.26, August MFT \$10,382.45, and July Sales tax \$35,062.71

First on the agenda was a Freedom Fest presentation. Melissa Halsall, Rosemary Howell, and Annette Smith were present from the committee. Melissa spoke about some of the fundraisers they have throughout the year, including an upcoming trivia night on November 8th. She also thanked all of her committee members, including the 5k committee, and presented Mayor Volkert with a check for \$21,000. Mayor Volkert thanked her and the rest of the committee for all of their hard work.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Cole McDaniel with Hometown Consultants was present and gave the council copies of the proposed comprehensive plan for the city and included a sheet detailing the next steps. He asked that everyone look it over well and to let him know of any feedback or questions. Dean Thompson spoke of concerns over a building on a lot by him that is rusty and he believes is causing drainage issues in that area. Mayor Volkert stated that he would check it out. Vikki Conner also spoke to the council at this time and wanted to recognize and thank one of our workers, Jake McClintic. Her father had fallen outside

and was unable to get back up, he was out there for over two hours. Jake heard something over there and found him and went above and beyond to get him help and to contact Vikki to let her know of the situation. He also stayed with him until help arrived. She stated that if it wasn't for Jake she didn't believe her father would still be with them. She ended by saying that thank you is not enough and that there needs to be more people like Jake in this world!

Next on the agenda were the Department Head Reports. Kraig Townsend had nothing at this time. Greg Thompson stated that they will be starting to flush hydrants this week. And Mayor Volkert announced for Richard Plummer, who was unable to attend, that the fall clean up week went well, asked that residents do not rake leaves/yard waste into the road, and announced that the fall cemetery clean up week will be October 19th-24th.

Next on the agenda were the Aldermen's Reports. Alderman Wirth asked about the basketball court at Washington Park. David Dyer stated that we need to level and asphalt it and he is waiting on a quote for that. Alderman Olson thanked the Freedom Fest committee. Alderman Clucas thanked Debbie & Melissa for there work on helping with the new website information. And Alderman Anderson thanked the Freedom Fest committee and Jake McClintic.

City Administrator's Report

David Dyer stated that if there is anything else the aldermen want to add for specifications on the bids for the old Chevy building to let him know as soon as possible.

Mayor Volkert announced that Trick or Treat times for Galva will be October 31st from 5-7p.m.

After no further discussion Alderman Olson made a motion and was seconded to adjourn. The vote was 6 yeas and no nays.

MAYOR _____

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk.