

CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

August 2, 2004
7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Gottman called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Vandalia City Council to order at 7:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Aldermen present were: Brosman, Bennett, Duggins, Cable, Click, Elliott, Hobler and Feldpouch.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was given by all present.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Brosman approving the minutes of the July 19, 2004 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Brosman approving the regular bills as presented. Motion carried.

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Duggins approving all Special Bills as presented: Harco Leasing Company, Inc. in the amount of \$7,069.54 for payment on International Truck; Mid-Illinois Concrete Inc. in the amount of \$1,633.00 for concrete and calcium chloride; Schmedeke Trucking Inc. in the amount of \$5,159.53 for CA-6 road pac; Peckham, Guyton, Albers in the amount of \$24,001.14 for the Industrial Park Conservation Area TIF project; GAC Mid America, Inc. in the amount of \$1,643.12 for chemical supplies; Illinois EPA Fiscal Services in the amount of \$19,000 paid under protest for the annual, NPDES permits; Van

Devanter Engineering in the amount of \$1,825.11 for changing out overload relay and heater strips; Univar USA, Inc. in the amount of \$1,680.00 for chemicals. Motion carried.

ADOPTING RESOLUTION 2004-8-1-A: "WE SAVED V.C.C. CELEBRATION":

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Cable adopting Resolution 2004-8-1-A, where the City of Vandalia is sponsoring the "We Saved V.C.C. Celebration". It will require the temporary closure of Illinois Rt. 140 from Fourth Street to Seventh Street on August 21st from 12:00 P.M. on Friday, August 20th thru 8:00 A.M. on Sunday, August 22, 2004. Motion carried.

ADOPTING RESOLUTION 2004-8-1-B:

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Brosman adopting Resolution 2004-8-1-B, where Vandalia Main Street is sponsoring the "Corn Days Celebration". It will require the temporary closure of Illinois Rt. 140 from Fourth Street to Sixth Street on September 25, 2004 from 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Gottman directed City Administrator to send a certified letter to Illinois Department of Transportation requesting the status on the T21 grant project.

REPORTS:

City Administrator Neibert announced that the first of several meetings on the establishment of a TIF District would be held at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, August 23rd.

Neibert stated that letters are being sent to residents who live within the proposed boundaries for the new district, to both inform them of the meeting and to explain the TIF Districts.

Neibert also announced that on Monday, August 16th at 7:00 P.M., the City would hold a public hearing on the proposed annexation of three parcels of land in the Western I-70 interchange area.

Mayor Gottman announced that Officer Seller's duties with the Safety Code Official will cease Monday, August 9th. Officer Sellers has been released from her doctor to return to her normal duties as a police officer.

Cable presented to the Council bids for the materials for the waterline improvements in five areas of the City. A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Hobler accepting the low bid from National Waterworks, Granite City, Illinois in the amount of \$17,549.25. Motion carried.

Cable presented to the Council a quote from R.E. Pedrotti Co., for the computer upgrade which includes the turbidity reporting software.

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Bennett to accept the bid of \$18,293.00 to purchase the computer upgrade for the Water Treatment Plant. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Click for engineering to purchase two Standby Engine-generator sets from Barnes, Henry, Meisenheimer and Gende, Inc. in the amount of \$8,750.00. One of the generators would be sized and installed for operation at the Water Plant. The other generator would be a portable unit sized to operate the Randolph Street booster station, but be capable of also operating the Lake pump station. Motion carried.

Cable reported that the roof replacement on the Water Treatment Plant would go out for a bid shortly.

Cable also informed the Council that work is needed at the WasteWater Treatment Plant as the filters are in need of replacement. An estimate was given to the City in the past being around \$100,000.00.

Cable felt that the work is much needed. They are working on getting new bids for the project.

Bennett reported the first meeting with representatives of the F.O.P. would be held on August 25th at 7:00 P.M., and talks on the agreements covering the dispatchers would be at 8:00 P.M.

Hobler announced that the Lake Committee would meet at 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, August 10th, at the Marina.

Elliott reported that the Tourism Commission would be holding a festival workshop Friday, August 6th at City Hall.

Kim Gehrke, Main Street Coordinator announced that Main Street Program's "Concerts In The Park" series would begin this Thursday evening with polka music by the Danny Krausz Band.

The concerts are free and will be held 7:00 - 8:00 P.M. in Lincoln Park.

Gehrke introduced Melinda Nestleroad as the new President of the Main Street Program.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Gottman announced that Vandalia

would celebrate on August 21st, by sponsoring a "We Saved VCC Celebration Day".

Mayor Gottman stated that letters of invitation have been sent to all Illinois legislators.

Mayor Gottman is asking anyone who has signs and ribbons out to take them down.

Mayor Gottman announced that Owens of Illinois is in the process of being sold to Graham Packaging Co., a firm out of Pennsylvania.

Mayor Gottman stated that the City would support the plant in any way that it can to keep from losing any jobs.

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Cable allowing Mayor Gottman to move forward on the documentations for the carnival for August 21st.

Mayor Gottman announced that Barack Obama, the Democratic candidate for U.S. Senate, would stop at the Depot on Wednesday.

Obama also played a big part of saving VCC.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

There being no further business to report a motion was made by Click and seconded by Brosman to adjourn. Motion carried.

CITY CLERK