

CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

August 16, 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: Elliott, Feldpouch, Hobler, Duggins, Brosman, Bennett, Click, and Cable.

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 Feldpouch approving the minutes of the August 2, 2004 meeting. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Feldpouch approving the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

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

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Brosman approving all Special Bills as presented: Illinois Power Company in the amount of \$26,692.96 for electric; Timmermann & Company in the amount of \$13,600.00 for audit fees; Fayette County Treasurer in the amount of \$25,302.66; Tri-County Petroleum in the amount of \$3,319.20 for unleaded fuel; Vandalia Tractor Sales in the amount of \$5,750.00 for a lawn mower; GAC Mid America, Inc. in the amount of

\$2,140.86. for chemicals; HMG in the amount of \$5,664.33 for work on the raw water intake project and the 8th Street Water Main Replacement project; and Univar USA, Inc. in the amount of \$3,552.00 for chemicals; Vandalia Lions Club in the amount of \$1,500 for fireworks for the July 4th Celebration. Motion carried.

DALE TIMMERMAN PRESENTED THE COUNCIL WITH THIS YEAR'S AUDIT:

Dale Timmermann gave a presentation to this year's audit. Timmermann recommended that the water and sewer rate increase this year. Timmermann's report shows water and system expenses for the year were up compared to last year. One of the reasons for the increase is due to the re-classification of three city employees, from street to water and sewer.

Mayor Gottman referred the matter to the water and sewer committee for review and make a recommendation at the September meeting.

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

APPROVING ORDINANCE NO.2004-8-16-A STREET LIGHTING CONTRACT:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Feldpouch approving Ordinance No. 2004-8-16-A Street Lighting Contract with Southwestern Electric Cooperative, Inc. Motion carried.

APPROVING ORDINANCE NO. 2004-8-16-B:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Hobler approving Ordinance No. 2004-8-16-B An Electric Franchise Ordinance With Southwestern Electric Cooperative, Inc. Motion carried.

APPROVING RESOLUTION NO. 2004-8-16-C:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Hobler approving Resolution No. 2004-8-16-C Authorizing

the Execution of an Annexation Agreement Between the City of Vandalia and the Edgar M. Autenrieth Trust.

Voting by roll call: Cable, yea; Hobler, yea; Duggins, yea; Brosman, yea; Click, yea; Bennett, yea; Elliott, yea; and Feldpouch, yea. Motion carried.

The annexation agreement, which had been signed by the property owners at the time it was tendered to the City was then signed by the Mayor and Clerk making it fully effective. Thereupon, a Petition for Annexation of the property the subject of the aforementioned Annexation Agreement was filed at 8:05 P.M. with the City Clerk.

ADOPTING ORDINANCE NO. 2004-8-16-D:

A motion was made by Duggins and seconded by Brosman adopting Ordinance No. 2004-8-16-D, which is an Ordinance of Annexation of the Edgar M. Autenrieth Trust Property.

Voting by roll call: Feldpouch, yea; Elliott, yea; Bennett, yea; Click, yea; Brosman, yea; Duggins, yea; Hobler, yea; Cable, yea; Motion carried.

ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 2004-8-16-E:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Elliott adopting Resolution No. 2004-8-16-E, A Resolution Authorizing The Execution of An Annexation Agreement Between the City of Vandalia And Deborah K. Opel, William Opel, Pamela S. Mars, Robert Mars, Randy Edwards, And Janis K. Edwards.

Voting by roll call: Hobler, yea; Duggins, yea; Brosman, yea; Click, yea; Bennett, yea; Elliott, yea; Feldpouch, yea; Cable, yea.

Motion carried.

The annexation agreement, which had been signed by the property owners at the time it was tendered to the City was then signed by the Mayor and Clerk making it fully effective. Thereupon, a Petition for Annexation of the property the subject of the aforementioned Annexation Agreement was filed at 8:11 P.M. with the City Clerk.

ADOPTING ORDINANCE NO. 2004-8-16-F:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Duggins adopting Ordinance No. 2004-9-16-F, which is an Ordinance of Annexation of the thirty-five acre tract the subject per Resolution 2004-8-16-E.

Voting by roll call: Cable, yea; Hobler, yea; Duggins, yea; Brosman, yea; Click, yea; Bennett, yea; Elliott, yea; Feldpouch, yea. Motion carried.

ADOPTING ORDINANCE NO. 2004-8-16-G:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Brosman adopting Ordinance No. 2004-8-16-G Ordinance of Annexation, annexing the 120 acres owned by the City of Vandalia.

Voting by roll call: Duggins, yea; Elliott, yea; Bennett, yea; Brosman, yea; Cable, yea; Click, yea; Feldpouch, yea; Hobler, yea; Motion carried.

ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 2004-8-16-H:

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Click adopting Resolution No. 2004-8-16-H, Authorizing The Execution of an Annexation Agreement Between the City of Vandalia and Helen D. Edwards, Deborah K. Opel, Pamela S. Mars and Randy Edwards.

Voting by roll call: Duggins, yea;

Brosman, yea; Hobler, yea; Click, yea; Cable, yea; Feldpouch, yea; Elliott, yea; Bennett, yea. Motion carried.

The annexation agreement, which had been signed by the property owners at the time it was tendered to the City was then signed by the Mayor and Clerk making it fully effective. Thereupon, a Petition for Annexation of the property the subject of the aforementioned Annexation Agreement was filed at 8:16 P.M. with the City Clerk.

ADOPTING ORDINANCE NO. 2004-8-16-I:

A motion was made by Click and Brosman adopting Ordinance No. 2004-8-16-I Ordinance of Annexation, annexing the forty acre site belonging to Helen D. Edwards, Deborah K. Opel, Pamela S. Mars and Randy Edwards, the subject per Resolution No. 2004-8-16-H.

Voting by roll call: Hobler, yea; Elliott, yea; Feldpouch, yea; Bennett, yea; Brosman, yea; Click, yea; Cable, yea; Duggins, yea. Motion carried.

ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 2004-8-16-J:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Brosman adopting Resolution No. 2004-8-16-J Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement Between the City of Vandalia and Deborah K. Opel, Pamela S. Mars and Randy Edwards.

Voting by roll call: Feldpouch, yea; Duggins, yea; Elliott, yea; Bennett, yea; Brosman, yea; Click, yea; Cable, yea; Hobler, yea; Motion carried.

The annexation agreement, which had been signed by the property owners at the time it was tendered to the City was then signed by the Mayor and Clerk making it fully effective. Thereupon, a Petition for Annexation of the

property the subject of the aforementioned Annexation Agreement was filed at 8:19 P.M. with the City Clerk.

ADOPTING ORDINANCE NO. 2004-8-16-K:

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Click adopting Ordinance No. 2004-8-16-K Ordinance of Annexation, annexing the 15.63 acres owned by Deborah K. Opel, Pamela S. Mars, and Randy Edwards, the subject per Resolution 2004-8-16-J.

Voting by roll call: Bennett, yea; Brosman, yea; Cable, yea; Click, yea; Hobler, yea; Duggins, yea; Elliott, yea; Feldpouch, yea; Motion carried.

ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 2004-8-16-L:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Duggins adopting Resolution No. 2004-8-16-L Approving And Authorizing Execution of a Certain Agreement Between the City of Vandalia and the State of Illinois, Department of Transportation, Said Agreement Being Identified As JN 704-007.

The City of Vandalia has entered into negotiation with the State of Illinois Department of Transportation, concerning certain infrastructure improvement of a portion of U.S. Rt. 140 as it traverses the City of Vandalia and installation of related landscaping.

Voting by roll call: Cable, yea; Click, yea; Brosman, yea; Bennett, yea; Duggins, yea; Elliott, yea; Hobler, yea; Feldpouch, yea; Motion carried.

ADOPTING RESOLUTION 2004-8-16-M:

A motion was made by Duggins and seconded by Hobler adopting Resolution 2004-8-16-M, A Resolution Authorizing Transfer of Funds From the General Fund to Cemetery Operations and

Maintenance Fund.

Voting by roll call: Brosman, yea; Cable, yea; Click, yea; Elliott, yea; Feldpouch, yea; Bennett, yea; Duggins, yea; Hobler, yea. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

Brosman thanked the Council for passing the resolution that gives approval for re-paving of Rt. 51.

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Bennett to pay the two bills in the amount of \$91,345.66 and \$8,739.72 that were submitted for the retainage on the Mattes Avenue Project after the final lien wavers are filed with the City. Motion carried.

Cable submitted a bid in the amount of \$74,602.00 from US Filter for a HydroClear Rapid Sand Filter for the Vandalia Waste Water Treatment Plant.

Mayor Gottman suggested that this item be referred to the Water & Sewer committee.

Click announced that at the next Council meeting, we would have some police officers here to recognize them for some awards that they have been given by some service organizations.

Click submitted a copy of the July Police report to keep on file with the City Clerk.

Bennett announced that union negotiations are underway. A meeting was held on August 12th with the garage employees. Another meeting has been scheduled for September 8th at 3:00 P.M.

Bennett announced that a meeting is scheduled with the police and

dispatchers on August 25th to discuss their contract. The meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Room.

Hobler submitted a copy of the Lake Committee Minutes to the council for review.

City Administrator Neibert announced a public hearing will be held on August 23rd at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers to explain the TIF program and the City's plan to create a new TIF district.

Kim Gehrke reported that Vandalia Main Street Lincoln Park was vandalized last week.

Gehrke announced that the "Concerts in the Park" is going over very well. This week the series continues with bluegrass music.

Mayor Gottman reported that the City will offer a \$500.00 reward for anyone providing information that leads to the arrest and conviction of the person or people who have vandalized Vandalia Main Street's Lincoln Park.

Mayor Gottman remarked that we would not accept this kind of behavior, and not only on City property. He mentioned that rewards would be offered in situations like this in the future.

Mayor Gottman distributed a schedule of events for the VCC Celebration, which would be held Saturday, August 21st from 11:30 A.M. until midnight.

Mayor Gottman reported that Wal-Mart donated to the City a commercial cotton candy machine. Gottman stated

that the City, Main Street or the Tourism Commission could use it as a fund-raiser at community events.

Cable reported that he had looked into the request to eliminate a parking space just west of the Jug's drive-up window. The problem is poor visibility when spaces are being used when customers are leaving the drive-up window.

He recommended that only motorcycles or small compact cars are allowed to park in that space.

Feldpouch felt that if there was a restriction, vehicles would still continue to park there.

Cable asked that the aldermen drive by and take a look at the situation.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

There being no further business to discuss a motion was made by Duggins and seconded by Cable to adjourn. Motion carried.

CITY CLERK

