

CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

May 16, 2005
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, Bennett, Brosman, Cable, Click, Hobler, Duggins, and Feldpouch.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Duggins approving the minutes of the May 2, 2005 meeting as presented. 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 Click and seconded by Cable approving the regular bills as presented. Motion carried.

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Cable approving all Special Bills as presented: Fayette Co. Sheriff's Dept. in the amount of \$7,907.25 for IWIN networking & setup fees; Ameren IP in the amount of \$18,284.36 for electricity and street lights; Mid-Illinois Concrete, Inc. in the amount of \$1,680.76 for paving;

Arlyn Scales, Inc. in the amount of \$1,618.00 for a 320M-SS with 20' cable; GAC MidAmerica, Inc. in the amount of \$1,998.50 for chemicals; US Filter Zimbpro, Inc. in the amount of \$34,080.00 for Sensor and Bray valves and valve installation; Univar USA, Inc. in the amount of \$1,872.00 for chemicals. Motion carried.

Adopting Ordinance 2005-5-16-A:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Duggins adopting Ordinance No. 2005-5-16-A, the Annual Appropriations Ordinance For The Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2005 and Ending on April 30, 2006.

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

Adopting Resolution 2005-5-16-B: Option To Purchase to Johnson Welding Svc.,Inc.:

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Brosman authorizing an option to purchase to Johnson Welding SVC,Inc.

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

Transfer of Lake Lot #134 Approved:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Elliott to accept the recommendation of the Lake Committee to approve the transfer of Lake Lot #134 from Michael Epps, Vandalia to Cory Braun, Vandalia. All fees have been paid. Motion carried.

Appointment of Justin K.Manley to the Planning Commission

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Hobler approving the appointment of Justin Manley to the Planning Commission. Motion carried.

**Ordinance 2005-5-16-C:
Pertaining to Salaries for
Fiscal Year 5/01/05-4/30/06:**

It was moved by Cable and seconded by Bennett adopting Ordinance 2005-5-16-C Pertaining to Salaries for Fiscal Year May 1, 2005/April 30, 2006.

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

**Resolution 2005-5-16-D:
Employment Contract for
City Administrator Ronald
Neibert:**

It was moved by Brosman and seconded by Duggins approving Resolution 2005-5-16-D, authorizing the employment of Ronald Neibert as City Administrator for a term of May 3, 2005 through May 4, 2009 along with employment contract.

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

**Resolution 2005-5-16-E:
Approving Appointment of
John M. Lester & Employment
Contract:**

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Duggins adopting Resolution 2005-5-16-E, approving the appointment of John Lester as Building Official for a term of May 2, 2005 through May 4, 2009 along with employment contract.

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

**Resolution 2005-5-16-F:
Approving the Appointment
of Robert McCart &
Employment Contract:**

It was moved by Feldpouch and seconded by Click adopting Resolution 2005-5-16-F, approving the appointment of Robert McCart to the office of Chief of Police for a term of May 3, 2005 through May 4, 2009 along with employment contract.

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

Resolution 2005-5-16-G:
Approving the Appointment
of John Moyer & Employment
Contract:

It was moved by Click and seconded by Elliott adopting Resolution 2005-5-16-G, approving the appointment of John Moyer to the office of Director of Public Works for a term of May 3, 2005 through May 4, 2009 along with employment contract.

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

Resolution 2005-5-16-H:
Approving the Appointment
of Tom Henrichsmeyer &
Employment Contract:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Duggins adopting Resolution 2005-5-16-H, approving the appointment of Tom Henrichsmeyer to the office of Assistant Director of Public Works for a term of May 3, 2005 through May 4, 2009 along with employment contract.

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

Resolution 2005-5-16-I
Approving the Appointment
Of Tony McWhorter &
Employment Contract:

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Cable, adopting Resolution 2005-5-16-I, approving the appointment of Tony McWhorter to the position of Cemetery Sexton for a term of May 3, 2005 through May 4, 2006 along with employment contract.

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

Resolution 2005-5-16-J
Approving the Appointment
of Bobby Dowell &
Employment Contract:

It was moved by Click and seconded by Duggins adopting Resolution 2005-5-16-J, approving the appointment of Bobby Dowell to the position of Water Plant Superintendent for a term of May 3, 2005 through May 4, 2009 along with employment contract.

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

Resolution 2005-5-16-K
Approving the Appointment
of Mark Augenstein &
Employment Contract:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Duggins adopting Resolution 2005-5-16-K, approving the appointment of Mark Augenstein to the office of Wastewater Plant Superintendent for a term of May 3, 2005 through May 4, 2009 along with employment contract.

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

Resolution 2005-5-16-L:
Approving the Appointment
of Keith Meadows &
Employment Contract:

A motion was made by Click and seconded by Duggins adopting Resolution 2005-5-16-L, approving the appointment of Keith Meadows to the position of Safety Official for a term of May 3, 2005 through May 4, 2009 along with employment contract.

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

Unfinished Business:

Mayor Gottman reported that officials with I.D.O.T. have signed off on the city's streetscape plans.

**Report on Automatic Debit
for Water & Sewer Customers:**

City Clerk Peggy Bowen reported that 188 water and sewer customers have signed up for the water & sewer automatic debit that will begin in June.

Standing Committees:

Brosman publicly thanked John Moyer, Public Works Director and his crew for the exceptional work being done for the city wide clean-up week.

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Brosman approving the chemical bids for the Water & Sewer Department. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Feldpouch approving the purchase of a cover on the mixing chambers at the Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$6,200.00 from Central Illinois Aluminum, along with an additional cover to go over the chlorine building in the storage area in the amount of \$3,100. Total amount \$9,300.00. Motion carried.

Cable reported, Thursday morning at 9:00 A.M. they will start the new water intake up.

Click submitted a copy of the Police Report for the month of April to keep on file.

Bennett reported negotiations with the Police Dept. and Dispatchers are going slow. Mediation process will be coming soon.

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Duggins to replace the aluminum soffit on the old Rotary Building at the lake in the amount of \$4,000.00. Motion carried.

Hobler announced that the Lake Committee will meet on May 24th at 6:00 P.M. at the Marina.

A motion was made by Elliott and seconded by Click for council approval to have Mayor Gottman sign the agreement with Decatur Park Singers to sing at the "American Celebration" on July 2, 2005. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Feldpouch and seconded by Bennett to increase the number of city and chamber appointed members to the Tourism Commission for a total of sixteen members. Motion carried.

Announcements:

Mayor Gottman announced that funds are still being raised for the local KC campus.

Mayor Gottman announced that he and City Administrator Neibert are meeting with a businessman from Effingham who is looking to locate a business at the west interchange.

Mayor Gottman announced that the effort to keep the expansion of Rt. 51 is moving forward.

Mayor Gottman attended the Chamber of Commerce Meeting on May 4th.

Mayor Gottman attended the Southern Illinois Mayors Association Meeting on May 7th.

Mayor Gottman will be attending a meeting at Kaskaskia College in Centralia tomorrow evening in regard to the Growth Alliance Association.

Mayor Gottman announced May 26th, he along with Ron Niebert, Kim Gehrke, Bill Donaldson and Jim Staff will be going to Springfield, to present their case on the Lincoln Museum.

Mayor Gottman will be attending the Southwestern Mayors Association Meeting on May 26th.

Mayor Gottman announced that the regularly scheduled meeting for the Kaskaskia College will be held on May 31st.

Mayor Gottman announced that Relay For Life will be held on June 4th, and encouraged everyone to show your support for the cause.

**Thank You to Andy Craig:
For Work On Parking Lot:**

Hobler publicly thanked Andy Craig, Craig Excavation for the work he done at the lake.

Mayor Gottman thanked Craig for the work on the development of the Vandalia Main Street Program's new parking lot on South Fifth St. Craig stated that approximately 3,880 tons of dirt were hauled in for the lot.

**Bar Owners Request Longer
Hours:**

Fred Tessman, owner of The Full Moon addressed the council, requesting to extend the weekend hours for those that hold a retail liquor license.

The request is to consider allowing the bars to stay open till 2 A.M. on Fridays and Saturdays.

Lisa Doyle, owner of The Redwood also asked the council to consider extending Sunday hours.

Scott Jenkins told aldermen that he would like to offer Scotch doubles, a type of mixed bowling, from midnight till 2:00 A.M. at his facility, and favored the extended liquor sales.

Melvin Huber and Jerry Maas voiced their opposition to the proposal of the extended hours.

Mayor Gottman referred the matter to the Police Committee for review.

A recommendation will be brought back to the council at the next council meeting.

Meeting Adjourned:

There being no further business to bring before the Council, a motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Duggins to adjourn. Motion carried.

