

CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

April 17, 2006
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, Cable, Brosman, Duggins, Hobler, Swarm, Bennett and Feldpouch.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Duggins and seconded by Feldpouch approving the minutes from the April 3, 2006 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

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

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Duggins approving all Special Bills as presented: Burnside, Johnston, Choisser in the amount of \$4,837.50 for small claims; Ameren IP in the amount of \$16,587.63 for electric; Southwestern Illinois Bureau in the amount of \$7,250.00 for 4th Quarter ads; North American Salt Co. in the amount of \$3,240.93

for salt; Tri-County Petroleum in the amount of \$1,567.35 for fuel; G.S. Robins & Co. in the amount of \$1,634.80 for chemicals; Univar USA, Inc. in the amount of \$2,280.00 for mozofloc; Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

**ORDINANCE 2006-4-17-A:
AMENDING REGULATIONS FOR
LIQUOR LICENSES:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Feldpouch approving Ordinance 2006-4-17-A Amending Title V, Business Licenses & Regulations, At Chapter 5.08 Alcoholic Beverage Sales Of The Vandalia Municipal Code.

Voting by Roll Call: Cable, nay; Hobler, yea; Duggins, yea; Brosman, yea; Swarm, yea; Bennett, yea; Elliott, nay; Feldpouch, yea; 6 yea & 2 nay vote; Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE 2006-4-17-B:
PERTAINING TO SALARIES FOR
FISCAL YEAR MAY 1, 2006-
APRIL 30, 2007:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Bennett approving Ordinance 2006-4-17-B, Pertaining to Salaries For Fiscal Year May 1, 2006-April 30, 2007.

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

**ORDINANCE 2006-4-17-C:
APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR
THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON
THE FIRST DAY OF MAY, 2006
AND ENDING ON THE THIRTIETH
DAY OF APRIL, 2007:**

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Bennett adopting the Appropriation Ordinance for the next fiscal year.

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

RESOLUTION NO:2006-4-17-D:
APPROVING A CERTAIN OPTION
AGREEMENT IN FAVOR OF
NATIONAL ETHANOL, LLC:

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Cable approving a certain agreement in favor of National Ethanol, LLC.

National Ethanol, LLC, has expressed a desire to purchase 70 acres of real estate from the City of Vandalia.

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

RESOLUTION NO: 2006-4-17-E:
SUPPORT OF INCREASING
STAFFING LEVELS AT V.C.C.:

A motion was made by Feldpouch and seconded by Hobler supporting Resolution No. 2006-4-17-E, to increase the staff levels at Vandalia Correctional Center.

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

JCS LYNCH CONSTRUCTION
AWARDED BID FOR HOLIDAY INN
EXPRESS -APPLEBEE'S WATER &
SEWER EXTENSIONS:

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded Cable accepting the low bid from JCS Lynch Construction of Witt, Il. in the amount of \$48,325.00 for the water & sewer extensions to the Holiday Inn Express/Applebee's. Motion carried.

The City received one other bid from Kidd's Plumbing in the amount of \$67,298.00.

T21 GRANT PROJECT:

Mayor Gottman stated that he did not have an update on the enhancement streetscape project.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Duggins accepting the bid from Westendorf Construction in the amount of \$1,750 to replace a fence near the Vandalia Dam that was destroyed in the April 2nd storm.

Alderman Cable received an estimate from Westendorf Construction to install a fence around the water tower on Fillmore St. after the tower is painted in the amount of \$2,800.00. No action was taken.

Neibert announced that interviews will take place on April 25th & 26th for the position of Economic Developer/Tourism Director.

Alderman Hobler announced that a Lake Committee will be held on May 9th at 6:00 p.m. at the Marina.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Gottman announced that the city has moved forward with a new business called Dollar Zone.

Neibert announced that the new business Letters & Logos are waiting for its new space which is the former Crane Building to be emptied by the previous tenant.

Mayor Gottman announced that he and City Administrator Neibert met with an individual who is looking to open a business which is "Brakes & Wheels" for aircraft.

Mayor Gottman announced that there will be an open house at the soon to be Twisters Entertainment Center on Sunday, April 23rd from 1:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

REPORT FROM MAIN STREET:

Dana Whiteman announced that they have set the month of July to do the board retreat this is when they set their goals for Main Street.

Whiteman also announced that we are gaining a new business downtown "House of Style". It will be a salon and tanning business.

OFFICER DON THIERRY RECEIVES SEVERAL AWARDS AT PTI TRAINING:

Congratulations to Don Thierry who received several honors. Thierry received a firearms training trophy, and he was judged the top graduate in overall physical fitness. He also was recognized by the chief of the Fairview Heights Police Department for their assistance with traffic control in the community after the April 2nd storm.

McCart asked the council for permission to seek a grant that would help pay expenses for a police dog.

McCart stated that there are two officers who are interested in working with a dog.

Mayor Gottman referred the matter to the police committee which will study the issue and bring back a recommendation to the council.

OPPOSITION TO IDOT'S RECLASSIFICATION OF IL. RT.140:

A letter was presented to the council stating that Route 140 will no longer be classified as a "marked route".

Cable asked that City Administrator Neibert send a letter to IDOT asking them to reconsider the reclassification of Rt. 140.

IDOT plans to remove all Il,. Rt. 140 signage in the next 90 days.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to report, a motion was made by Elliott and seconded by Duggins to adjourn. Motion carried.

