

**CITY COUNCIL**  
Regular Meeting

April 3, 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 Elliott and seconded by Duggins approving the minutes from the March 20<sup>th</sup>, March 22<sup>nd</sup> and March 29<sup>th</sup> meetings as presented. Motion carried.

**REGULAR BILLS:**

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

**SPECIAL BILLS:**

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Cable approving all Special Bills as presented: Fayette County Treasurer in the amount of \$2,615.62 for payment to the animal control; Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. in the amount of \$36,436.82 for a sales tax reimbursement; Discover Magazine in

the amount of \$1,500.00 for Chamber of Commerce ads; Beelman Trucking in the amount of \$28,456.44 for hauling CM13; CPI Supply in the amount of \$5,930.30 for galvanized pipe; Centraz Industries, Inc. in the amount of \$1,515.00 for sewer solvent; Mid-Illinois Concrete in the amount of \$1,543.75 for calcium chloride; U.S. Aluminate in the amount of \$1,739.67; US Filter Zimpro, Inc. in the amount of \$3,250.00 for the inspection of the hydro-clear cell; Univar USA, Inc. in the amount of \$4,323.60 for mozofloc; Motion carried.

**TRANSFER OF LAKE LOT #83  
FROM CARL DEPEW TO DANNY &  
TERRI LAKE:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Feldpouch approving the recommendation of the Lake Committee to approve the transfer of Lake Lot #83 from Carl Depew, Vandalia to Danny & Terri Lake, Vandalia. All necessary fees have been paid. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE NO.2006-4-3-A:  
AMENDING CITY'S ZONING MAP:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Feldpouch approving Ordinance 2006-4-3-A, Amending the City of Vandalia's Zoning District Map.

The first matter concerns McCarty Auto Body where he plans to expand his auto body and towing business.

The zoning for that property was changed from RT(residential two-family) to CD (downtown commercial).

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

**ORDINANCE 2006-4-3-B:**  
**AMENDING CITY'S ZONING MAP:**

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Bennett approving Ordinance 2006-4-3-B, Amending the zoning change for Roy Nichols DBA as Old Capitol Monument Works.

The zoning change, from RT (residential two-family) to CG (general commercial), will allow the business to erect a crematorium.

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

**RESOLUTION 2006-4-3-C:**  
**TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO**  
**CEMETERY O & M:**

A motion was made by Duggins and seconded by Feldpouch approving the transfer of \$20,000 from the General Fund to the Cemetery Operations & Maintenance Account.

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

**T21 GRANT PROJECT:**

Mayor Gottman gave a monthly progress report submitted by HMG on the enhancement streetscape project.

**REPORT ON SALES TAX**  
**REFERENDUM:**

Neibert stated that he filed all the necessary paper work to the state for the half-cent sales tax increase.

The state will begin the process necessary to allow the city to collect the tax money after the canvass of election votes is completed.

**SUNDAY STORM DOES EXTENSIVE**  
**DAMAGE:**

Neibert also reported that the storm we received Sunday, downed power lines and hit a transformer at Vandalia Lake. The storm also hit the pump

house and well pumping facilities.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Cable reported that during Sunday nights storm, the power was knocked out to the intake and the city was experiencing problems at the Kaskaskia River intake and could not take water in from there, the city was without water coming in for several hours.

Cable reported that power had been restored sometime Monday afternoon at the lake water intake.

Cable stated as for the river intake, the sandbar has gone over the intake slot with sand coming in the intake.

Cable stated as soon as the river is at a normal level they will have a diver come in and remove that problem. He felt they may have to find a way to block off the sandbar from coming back over the intake in the future.

**OFFICER DON THIERRY  
GRADUATES FROM POLICE  
ACADEMY:**

Alderman Swarm announced that Officer Don Thierry will graduate from the Southwestern Il. College Police Academy in Belleville on Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>.

Swarm also announced that the Vandalia Police Department has received approximately five hundred (500) gun locks free for the asking.

**JASON MORGAN HIRED AS SUMMER  
HELP FOR CEMETERY:**

Bennett announced that Jason Morgan has been hired as summer help for the Vandalia cemeteries.

**REPORT FROM MAIN STREET  
COORDINATOR:**

Dana Whiteman reported that the Merchant's Meeting was well received. Dana stated that she will be attending a directors workshop on fundraising the next two days.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mayor Gottman announced that the City of Vandalia received a check from Charter Communications in the amount of \$22,633.91 for the franchise fee for 2005 fiscal year.

Mayor Gottman announced that the Chamber of Commerce Meeting will be held at noon this Wednesday at Ponderosa. He will be giving "A State of the City" address.

Mayor Gottman announced that he has received ten (10) applications for the position of Economic Developer/Tourism Director.

He stated that he will make arrangements to meet with the Personnel, Tourism and Economic Development Committee to review the applicants to determine which ones will be interviewed.

**COUNCIL MOVES INTO EXECUTIVE  
SESSION AT 7:50 P.M. TO  
DISCUSS SALE OF LAND:**

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Hobler to move into Executive Session to discuss sale of land. Motion carried.

**MEETING RECONVENED:**

Executive Session ended at 8:15 P.M. Mayor Gottman reconvened the regular session meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being nothing to report from Executive Session, a motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Elliott to adjourn. Motion carried.

