

CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

August 7, 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: Cable, Brosman, Duggins, Swarm, Bennett, Elliott and Hobler. Feldpouch was absent from the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

JR. MAYOR NAMED FOR MONDAY COUNCIL MEETING:

Mayor Gottman named Julian White as "Junior Mayor" for the evening as a part of his work towards earning his Boy Scout community badge.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Elliott and seconded by Duggins approving the minutes from the July 17, 2006 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

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

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Hobler approving all Special Bills as presented: Harco Leasing Co. in the amount of \$7,069.54 for lease purchase agreement on

International Dump Truck; Ameren IP in the amount of \$3,993.12 for street lights; HMG in the amount of \$8,848.66 for the Gallatin St. Project; Vandalia Asphalt Service in the amount of \$33,234.68 for HFE300; HMG in the amount of \$3,399.82; Ameren IP in the amount of \$16,984.64 for electric; Westendorf Construction in the amount of \$7,052.50 for construction of pavilion at the lake; G.S. Robins & Co. in the amount of 3,269.60 for carbon activated WPH-C & Sodium Liquid Carusol 20; National Waterworks, Inc. in the amount of \$1,975.00 supplies; United States Aluminate in the amount of \$2,003.12 for chemicals; Univar USA, Inc. in the amount of \$2,280.00 for mozofloc; Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PLANNING
COMMISSION MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Duggins approving the Planning Commission Minutes from the July 18th meeting as submitted. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2006-8-7-A:
FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR T.I.F.
PROJECT:**

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Hobler adopting Resolution #2006-8-7-A, Providing For A Feasibility Study on the Designation of a Portion of the City of Vandalia as a Redevelopment Project Area and To Induce Development Interest Within Such Area.

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

**VANDALIA POLICE DEPT. TO
HIRE NEW POLICE OFFICER:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Brosman for the Police and Fire Commission to hire a full-time police officer due to the resignation of Don Thierry. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE #2006-8-7-B::
AMENDING THE VANDALIA
MUNICIPAL CODE AT CHAPTER
5.08 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE
SALES:**

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Hobler adopting Ordinance No. 2006-8-7-B, An Ordinance Amending the Vandalia Municipal Code At Chapter 5.08 Alcoholic Beverage Sales At Section 5.08.070 Number Of Class E Licenses to Eight (8).

The request came from Scott Jenkins, owner and operator of Twisters.

The license would allow them to sell alcohol throughout the facility.

Questions which were addressed were, where the alcohol would be allowed to be sold and if any restrictions could be made to where the alcohol would be sold.

Mayor Gottman stated that the city hasn't put any restrictions on any other licensee as long as they comply with local and state laws regarding alcohol sales.

Cable asked if the council would consider delaying the action till Jenkins came to the next meeting to explain what his intent was.

Alderman Duggins stated that the city told him that he would receive a liquor license when he applied so Duggins stated that he was prepared to act.

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

carried.

ORDINANCE #2006-8-7-C:
ALLOWING PORTABLE BOAT LIFTS
AT VANDALIA LAKE:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Elliott Amending the Vandalia Municipal Code to read "a portable boat lift with a canopy top of canvas, vinyl or like material is permissible on Vandalia Lake." Said canopy top shall be removed by November 1st of each year & may not be reinstalled until March 1st of the succeeding year.

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

DREDGE WORK AT NEW WATER RAW
WATER INTAKE:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Cable approving the low bid from Vandalia Sand & Gravel, Inc. for dredging sand and silt from the Kaskaskia River in the area of the new raw water intake. Motion carried.

The city received two bids for the dredging project:

Vandalia Sand & Gravel, Inc. submitted a bid in the amount of \$19,600.

J & B Waste Applications, Inc. submitted a bid in the amount of \$48,500.00.

T21 GRANT PROJECT:

Mayor Gottman announced that there will be a Public Hearing on September 11th at 6:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers for the downtown streetscape project.

STANDING REPORTS:

Alderman Brosman reported that I.D.O.T. had approved the bid of Mautz & Oren of Effingham for the rehabilitation of a one-block section of Johnson St.

The bid from Mautz & Oren firm bid \$266,943.93 for the project work.

Brosman stated that the bid was 6¼% below the engineer's estimate.

Cable stated that they hope to start the dredging project at the raw water intake as soon as possible.

Cable stated that the electrical storm knocked out some of the aerators at the Sewer Plant.

Swarm gave a summary report on the June Police Report.

Swarm reported that two police officers, Jeff Ray and Charles "Geno" Cearlock, took the test for the lieutenant position being created.

Hobler questioned why the position was being created and Mayor Gottman stated at this time there is no leadership on the evening shifts.

Hobler announced that the Lake Committee will meet on August 15th at 6:00 P.M. at the Marina.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Gottman announced that the First Bank groundbreaking ceremony will be held Friday, August 11th at 10:00 A.M..

Mayor Gottman announced that Monday, August 14th the city will be interviewing three candidates for the economic development/tourism director at 6:30 in the City Council Chambers.

Mayor Gottman announced that he met with Steve Burns who is a recruiter for businesses to bring business to Vandalia.

MAIN STREET REPORT:

Dana Whiteman, Vandalia Main Street Program Manager reported that 12 business owners attended a merchants meeting on July 25th.

Whiteman also announced that Concerts In The Park was well attended on August 3rd.

Whiteman also reported that plans are underway for the Corn Day Festival to be held on September 23rd.

Whiteman announced that the Vandalia Main Street will sponsor a Vandalia Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament on October 7th at the Vandalia Country Club.

GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY FOR "VANDALIA CAMPUS":

Mayor Gottman announced that the Kaskaskia College "Vandalia Campus" will hold a groundbreaking ceremony on Tuesday, August 29th at 10:30 A.M. at the corner of Fillmore and Veterans Ave.

RESURFACING WORK ON I-70:

Mayor Gottman reported that IDOT is planning to improve I-70 by resurfacing from the Bond County Line to 10.57 miles east of the Kaskaskia River Bridge. Stage construction will be utilized and there are no planned detours.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

