

CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

December 3, 2007

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, McNutt, Swarm, Hobler, Elliott, Bennett and Feldpouch.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

A moment of silence was observed for business owner Nina Ray. Mrs. Ray passed away on November 23, 2007.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Elliott approving the minutes from the November 19, 2007 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 Elliott and seconded by Cable approving all Special Bills as submitted: Browns Traffic Products for repairs on traffic lights at US40 & Walmart in the amount of \$4,334.08; H & H Computer Services in the amount of \$1,848.46 for computer hookup at new building; HMG in the amount of

\$9,569.50 for Main St. and VanSant Ave. project; Walmart Community in the amount of \$27,976.64 for roadway reimbursement; Schmedeke Trucking, Inc. in the amount of \$13,758.74 for CA6 rock; HMG in the amount of \$2,500.00 for dam inspection; B & L, LLC in the amount of \$13,032.33 for TIF reimbursement; Ken Torbeck in the amount of \$25,000.00 for TIF reimbursement; Meyer Oil Company in the amount of \$9,042.84 for TIF reimbursement; Octochem, Inc. in the amount of \$26,885.28 for TIF reimbursement; United Suppliers, Inc. in the amount of \$3,123.47 for TIF reimbursement; Vandalia Community High School in the amount of \$20,000 for TIF reimbursement; Wait Land Trust in the amount of \$8,182.04 for TIF reimbursement; John J. Curry, dba Curry Construction in the amount of \$55,065.36 for payment #5 on west interchange; Parkson Corporation in the amount of \$3,702.92 for field service trip; Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE PLANNING
COMMISSION MINUTES 11/20/07:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Feldpouch approving the minutes from the November 20, 2007 Planning Commission meeting as submitted. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF TIF ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MINUTES 11/08/07:**

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Feldpouch approving the minutes from the November 8, 2007 TIF Advisory Committee meeting as submitted. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF TIF ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MINUTES 11/19/07:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Feldpouch approving the minutes from the November 19, 2007 TIF Advisory Committee meeting as submitted. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #2007-12-3-A:
T.I.F. AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
CITY & DENNIS YOUNG:

A motion was made by Hobler seconded by Elliott adopting Ordinance #2007-12-3-A, Approving A Certain Tax Increment Development Agreement Between The City of Vandalia And Dennis Young.

Their plan is to demolish the adjoining commercial buildings and remodel current commercial building.

The City shall provide assistance in the form of a \$17,400 grant or 50% of total project costs.

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

ORDINANCE #2007-12-3-B:
TIF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
CITY & WILLIAM E.
HASELHORST:

A motion was made by Elliott and seconded by Cable adopting Ordinance #2007-12-3-B, Approving A Certain Tax Increment Development Agreement By And Between The City of Vandalia And William E. Haselhorst.

Haselhorst plans to renovate Lots 1 & 2 in Vic Wiss Addition and to use the property to restore, display and sell classic cars.

The property will be named Vandalia Classic Cars and Trucks, Inc.

The City shall provide assistance in the form of a \$17,655 grant or 50% of total project costs.

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

ORDINANCE #2007-12-3-C:
TIF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
CITY & A ONE A, LTD.:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Cable adopting Ordinance #2007-12-3-C, Approving A Certain Tax

Increment Development Agreement
Between The City of Vandalia And A One
A, Ltd.

The improvements are to The Full Moon
to restore the south, west and north
sides of the current building and to
add a patio.

The City shall provide assistance in
the form of a \$15,600 grant or 50% of
total project costs.

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

ORDINANCE #2007-12-3-D:
TIF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
CITY OF VANDALIA & DENISE
CHATHAM:

A motion was made by Hobler and
seconded by Feldpouch Approving A
Certain Tax Increment Agreement
Between The City of Vandalia and
Denise Chatham.

The improvements are to install new
thermal windows at Fayette County Real
Estate.

The City shall provide assistance in
the form of a \$3,015 grant or 50% of
the total project costs.

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

ORDINANCE #2007-12-3-E:
TIF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
CITY OF VANDALIA & DANIEL R.
STOCK:

A motion was made by Brosman and
seconded by Feldpouch Approving A
Certain Tax Increment Financing
Agreement Between The City of Vandalia
and Daniel R. Stock.

ADS Electric will install new windows,
door and repair overhead door support.

The City shall provide assistance in the form of a \$3,330 grant or 50% of total project costs.

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

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Feldpouch amending the City of Vandalia Zoning District Map.

Petitioner John & Louise Thompson requested to re-zone described areas from "IL" Light Industrial to "CG" General Commercial.

A part of Outlots 45 and 46 of the Twelve Acre Outlots of the City of Vandalia.

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

ORDINANCE #2007-12-3-G:
TIF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
CITY OF VANDALIA & ROBERT
ANDERSON:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Feldpouch Approving A Certain Tax Increment Development Agreement Between The City of Vandalia and Robert Anderson.

The improvements are to 511, 513, and 515 W. Gallatin to repair masonry, guttering and roof.

One of those buildings was one that recently sustained falling at the front of the building.

Mr. Anderson had earlier applied for this grant and this money would be used for other repairs.

The City shall provide assistance in the form of a \$2,435 grant or 50% of total project costs.

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

ORDINANCE #2007-12-3-H:
TIF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
CITY OF VANDALIA & ARTHUR
G.MARTIN:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Brosman Approving A Certain Tax Increment Development Agreement Between the City of Vandalia and Arthur G. Martin.

Donaldson Carpeting will be removing metal siding and tuck pointing and seal brick on their building.

The City shall provide assistance in the form of a \$9,000 grant or 50% of total project costs.

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

ORDINANCE #2007-12-3-I:
CONTRACT BEWTEEN THE CITY OF
VANDALIA & FAYETTE COUNTY
HOSPITAL DISTRICT:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Cable Authorizing Execution Of A Contract Between The Fayette County Hospital District, A Municipal Corporation, And The City Of Vandalia, A Municipal Corporation, Pursuant To The Provisions of 625 ILCS 5/11-209.

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

Mayor Gottman reported to the council that he has been approached by several individuals about banning leaf burning

Alderman Brosman stated that he felt it would be a good idea to ban leaf burning as long as our citizens have a different option as far as yard waste disposal.

Brosman felt that the city would need to look at what our cost would be to provide a greater leaf pickup service. This would mean more equipment, more manpower which would mean more money.

Hobler remarked that he felt we should leave it alone. He stated that it doesn't cost anything to burn.

He stated that he felt Public Works Director, John Moyer didn't have the time or the manpower.

John Moyer agreed with Hobler. He stated that he does not have the manpower for such a service.

Mayor Gottman directed City Administrator, Morani to contract neighboring communities to see how they deal with the leaf burning issue. Then it will be taken to the Street Committee for their recommendation.

T-21 PROJECT:

A report was included in your packets.

MORANI REPORT:

Morani reported he received some information on the safe routes for school. His plan is to hold meetings with members of the public and the school district.

Mayor Gottman announced that Keith Meadows, Code Official will submit a report on a monthly basis.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Brosman scheduled a Street Committee Meeting for December 10th at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers. The Downtown Enhancement Committee will be invited to attend.

Cable reported that a meeting was held with the Fayette County Water District last week.

Cable remarked that we will be receiving a bill in the amount of \$5,243.00 for replacement parts for one of three mixers at the Water Treatment Plant.

Cable also reported that the motor and pump will need to be rebuilt at the Randolph pumping station. The cost to do this will be \$6,763.00.

Feldpouch reported that the city is waiting on the council table for the new council chambers at the new City Hall.

Mayor Gottman announced the city did buy several chairs to use around the council table at the Twisters auction.

Alderman Bennett asked the council to reconsider having all the department heads attend all council meetings.

Bennett stated after meeting with the department heads at the Personnel Meeting held this afternoon, he was convinced he made a mistake by voting in favor of having all department heads attend every meeting.

A motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Swarm to rescind the directive for all department heads to attend all council meetings and reconsider the issue. Motion carried.

Feldpouch stated that he felt that John Moyer, Public Works Director, JoAnn Givens, Director of Economic Development & Tourism and Larry Eason, Chief of Police should be in attendance for every council meeting.

Brosman stated that he didn't think it was necessary to mandate Givens to attend every meeting. He felt that a written report is more than adequate to describe what she's been doing.

Mayor Gottman stated the report that Givens submitted to each council member this evening was very thorough.

Hobler remarked he thought Givens position is one of the most important in the city at this time and the city council should be kept up on what is going on.

Elliott also felt that Givens should attend all council meetings especially at the beginning.

Mayor Gottman reminded the council that the requirement of being at all council meetings was not in Givens or Moyer's contract and the city would have to re-negotiate with them.

A motion was made by Feldpouch and seconded by Hobler to require Givens to attend each meeting.

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

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Feldpouch to require Moyer to attend each meeting.

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

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Feldpouch to require Eason to attend each meeting.

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

MAIN STREET REPORT:

Dana Whiteman, Main Street Program Manager announced that Rich Daniels will be taking over Slice of Nature.

Vandalia Greenhouse is temporarily setup at 502 W. Gallatin St.

Whiteman reported that "The Snowball Drop" was a success.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Gottman announced that the city Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 8th.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

