

CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

October 6, 2008

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, Bennett, Feldpouch and McNutt. Swarm and Hobler were absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Cable approving the minutes from the September 15, 2008 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

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

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Brosman approving all Special Bills as presented: Ameren IP in the amount of \$21,994.38; Ameren IP for street lights in the amount of \$3,383.15; WalMart in the amount of \$29,886.59 for roadway; Fayette Co. Treasurer in the amount of \$2,615.63 for 4th quarter animal control; HMG in the amount of \$8,277.60 for Gallatin St. project; Southwestern Il. Tourism Conv. Bureau in the amount of \$2,664.00 for advertising; Vandalia Asphalt in the amount of \$2,037.36 for patch mix; Centraz Industries in the

amount of \$1,875.00 for sewer solvent; Wilco Concrete, Inc. in the amount of \$6,145.00 for grates, lids rings; G.S.Robins & Co. in the amount of \$12,615,83; Univar USA, Inc. in the amount of \$11,534.40 for mozofloc; Hach Company in the amount of \$2,347.00 for service on sep; Vandevanter Engineering in the amount of \$21,240.00; City of Vandalia in the amount of \$47,170.20 for liability insurance; Motion carried.

**REAPPOINTMENT OF JIM STAFF
TO POLICE PENSION BOARD:**

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Feldpouch authorizing the Mayor's reappointment of Jim Staff to the Police Pension Board. Staff will serve a two year term. Motion carried.

**COUNCIL APPROVES MOVE OF
RELAY FOR LIFE:**

A motion was made Feldpouch and seconded by Bennett agreeing to the change in location for the Fayette County Relay For Life. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF ZONING BOARD OF
ADJUSTMENTS MEETING MINUTES
FOR 9/17/08:**

A motion was made Cable and seconded by McNutt approving the minutes from the September 17th Zoning Board of Adjustments Meeting. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE #2008-10-6-A:
AMENDING CHAPTER 10 VEHICLES
AND TRAFFIC AT SECTION
10.08.010 SPEED LIMITS:**

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Feldpouch approving Ordinance #2008-10-6-A, Amending Chapter 10 Vehicles And Traffic At Section 10.08.010 Speed Limits.

A 20 miles per hour speed limit on Fillmore, between Locust Street and Eighth Street.

Voting by roll call: Brosman, yea; Cable, yea; Feldpouch, Yea; Bennett, yea; McNutt, yea; Hobler and Swarm were absent. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #2008-10-6-B:
AMENDING CHAPTER 10 VEHICLES
AND TRAFFIC AT SECTION
10.08.010 SPEED LIMITS

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Feldpouch approving Ordinance #2008-10-6-B, Amending Chapter 10 Vehicles And Traffic At Section 10.08.010 Speed Limits.

A 20 miles per hour speed limit was set on Fourth Street between Johnson Street and Main Street.

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

ORDINANCE #2008-10-6-C:
AMENDING CHAPTER 10 VEHICLES
AND TRAFFIC AT SECTION
10.08.010 SPEED LIMITS

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Feldpouch approving Ordinance #2008-10-6-C, amending Chapter 10 Vehicles And Traffic At Section 10.08.010 Speed Limits.

A 20 miles per hour was set on Third Street, between Johnson Street and Gallatin Street.

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

ORDINANCE #2008-10-6-D:
AMENDING CHAPTER 10 VEHICLES
AND TRAFFIC AT PARAGRAPH
10.16.030 PARKING PROHIBITED
OR CONTROLLED, AT SCHEDULE D
THEREOF

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by McNutt approving Ordinance #2008-10-6-D, Amending Chapter 10 Vehicles And Traffic At Paragraph 10.16.030 Parking Prohibited Or Controlled, At Schedule D Thereof.

A no parking zone will be at the following location, Main Street, on the north side, from Cook Street to Adams Street.

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

ORDINANCE #2008-10-6-E:
ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER
10 VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC AT
PARAGRAPH 10.16.030 PARKING
PROHIBITED OR CONTROLLED, AT
SCHEDULE D THEREOF

A motion was made by Feldpouch and seconded by McNutt, adopting Ordinance #2008-10-6-E, Amending Chapter 10 Vehicles And Traffic At Paragraph 10.16.030 Parking Prohibited Or Controlled, At Schedule D Thereof.

There will be no parking zone on Johnson Street, from Fifth Street eastward to the alley, south side only.

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

COUNCIL GIVING THE MAYOR
AUTHORIZATION TO MOVE
FORWARD WITH AGREEMENT WITH
FAYETTE WATER COMPANY:

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Feldpouch authorizing Mayor Gottman to move forward with the user's contract with Fayette Water Company for a new water supply for the Vandalia Lake campgrounds.

Morani stated they have been using a well water system in that area, but the well system needs about \$3,000 in repairs.

Morani stated John Moyer and Chuck Ruot recently met with Bob Heckert of the Fayette Water Company, to look at hooking into their water supply for the campground area. The cost would be around \$2,350.00 to pay their membership and for a 6" water line hookup to be installed. Motion carried.

T-21 GRANT PROJECT:

Mayor Gottman announced that I.D.O.T. stated the bid letting for the Streetscape project will be set for sometime in January.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Brosman reported that the Street Committee met prior to the council

meeting. There were several different topics discussed.

It comes as a recommendation from the committee to ask the city attorney to draw up the appropriate ordinance for the placement of stop signs on Brian Street and Karen Street as they approach Rock Island from the east and the west. That motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Cable. Motion carried.

The committee also spent some time reviewing the memorandum in regard to no parking on the right of way.

A request for a street light to be placed in front of their house in the middle of the block was denied.

Cable mentioned the proposal for two raw water pumps at Vandalia Lake received from Haier Plumbing should be a 30' instead of 25' pipe.

VANDALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT
TO BEGIN A "CRIME WATCHERS"
PROGRAM:

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Bennett endorsing the Vandalia Police Department's "Crime Watchers" program.

The Vandalia Police Department, along with the Fayette County Sheriff's Department and other law enforcement in Fayette County are joining together to form this program.

Eason stated that there will be rewards for tips that lead to arrest or conviction, with the rewards set currently at \$100.00 for a Class A misdemeanor and 200.00 for a felony.

The Council agreed to \$1,000.00 in funds that was set aside for the old Crime Stoppers program, to go into this program. Motion carried.

Eason announced that a group picture will be taken of the members of the Police Department tomorrow morning, along with a special recognition to Kent Emerick and Michelle Hagy who have served the city for twenty years.

UPDATE ON REMODELING AT THE PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING:

Scott Hunt of Hurst-Rosche Engineering was on hand to update the council on the project at the Fire Department.

The plan is to remove the current glass door for the fire and police department, tear out the wall in that area and put up a third bay area for fire trucks.

Hurst stated they plan to have their plans to the city very soon and then go out for bid in November, hoping to have the project completed by the end of the year.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR/TOURISM REPORT:

JoAnn Givens reported she attended the National Association of Manufacturers Show.

She also announced that three commercial developers visited the city over the last month.

Givens also reported on the Illinois Municipal League conference and classes she attended.

Givens mentioned that the local economy for this year look good.

MAIN STREET REPORT:

Whiteman announced that the Corn Day Festival was very well attended.

She also reported that the 4th street music festival was very successful.

Thirsty's & Wiseguys donated a portion of their proceeds to Main Street. The amount that was presented to Main

Street was \$1,264.00 from armband sales.

Dana announced that three fundraisers are in the planning for Main Street.

Their membership drive is underway.

Main Street is working on their banner project. At this time they have thirty seven banners sold.

Upcoming Events:

October 25th-Trick or Treat

Nov. 1st- Pancake & sausage breakfast at Way Inn

Celebrity Pie Auction- Nov. 17th-Nov. 20th

Nov. 21st- Ole Tyme Christmas

You can visit Main Street's website at www.vandaliamainstreet.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS :

Mayor Gottman announced that the Municipal Code for the City of Vandalia is now available online at www.vandaliaillinois.com

Mayor Gottman announced that the U.S. Route 51 will hold their meeting in Vandalia tomorrow evening at 6:00 P.M. at the Ramada Inn.

The Route 51 coalition meeting will be on October 15th at the Vandalia Country Club.

The City Christmas party will be held on December 5th at the Vandalia Country Club.

Mayor Gottman said he recently sent out letters asking for support from the legislature in keeping the statehouse open.

Mayor Gottman announced that the State

Senate did approve a fund sweep to restore the money for the historic sites. As of this morning the Governor had not signed or taken any action on what the Senate approved.

Mayor Gottman again brought up his issues with the recent vandalism that was recently discovered at Lincoln Park.

Mayor Gottman stated that we cannot tolerate this kind of action.

The vandalism was spray paint to the gazebo.

Main Street has now set hours for the park.

A moment of silence was observed for Gene Cearlock father of Geno Cearlock, retired police officer for the City of Vandalia. Mr. Cearlock passed away on Friday, October 3rd.

Mayor Gottman reported on the Illinois Municipal League conference. He felt that it was very beneficial to attend.

COUNCIL CONCERNS:

Brosman stated that he heard the attendance for the 4th Street music festival was well attended.

He asked Chief of Police Eason if there were any problems.

Chief of Police Eason stated that the event went pretty smoothly. He said there was plenty of security on hand for the event and they did a good job. He said there were only three citations issued during the event with no major problems.

Public Works Director John Moyer said he did have a few problems.

Moyer stated, because of the length of the event and it being the same day as Corn Day, it was tough to clean up and it left some of the work to have to be done on Monday morning.

Moyer said that if they wanted to stay on that date, it was fine, but that it would probably work on a different date, other than the same date as Corn Day.

ADJOURNMENT :

There being no further business to discuss a motion was made by Feldpouch and seconded by Brosman to adjourn. Motion carried.