

CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

June 2, 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, Hobler, Brosman, Elliott, Feldpouch, Swarm, McNutt and Bennett.

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 Feldpouch approving the minutes from the May 19, 2008 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Brosman 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: Donaldson Carpet in the amount of \$2,545.18 for Police Department; Fayette Co. Masonry in the amount of \$2,776.55 for masonry repair work at City Parking Garage; HMG in the amount of \$14,354.25 for engineering fees; Ameren IP in the amount of \$2,795.45 for street lights; Southwestern Electric Co. in the amount of \$3,760.35 for aid to construction; Centraz Industries in the amount of \$3,420.00 for sewer solvent; HMG in the amount of

\$2,459.28 for watermain replacement; Ameren IP in the amount of \$13,429.27 for electric bill; Univar USA, Inc. in the amount of \$4,447.20 for mozofloc; Motion carried.

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR MOLLY ROGERS:

A moment of silence was observed for Molly Rogers, the wife of business owner Mick and the mother of Vandalia Main Street Program Executive Board President Jennifer Howard.

Our condolences to her family.

APPROVAL OF LAWN MOWER BID FOR CEMETERY:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Elliott approving the bid from Vandalia Tractor Sales in the amount of \$4,195.00 for a 2008 Exmark lawn mower for cemetery use. Motion carried.

Other bids that were submitted:
Wehrle Bros, Equip. \$6,419.00
(Z510A Z-Trak Estate Residential Zero Turn)
Bluff Equipment 4,500.00
Wehrle Bros. Equip. 5,200.00
(Everride 2548 Commercial Model)

Note: One of the reasons the Vandalia Tractor Sales bid is so much lower is the City already owns a bagger that will fit the new model, whereas the others include price of new bagger.

APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES FOR MAY 20, 2008 MEETING:

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Hobler approving the Planning Commission Minutes as submitted from the May 20th, 2008 meeting. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FROM MAY 27, 2008:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Feldpouch approving the Planning Commission Special Meeting Minutes from the May 27th, 2008 as submitted. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2008-6-2-A
APPROVING AN AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE CITY OF VANDALIA
AND ILLINOIS DISTRICT
COUNCILS OF THE ASSEMBLIES
OF GOD:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by McNutt adopting Resolution #2008-6-2-A, Approving An Agreement For Purchase Of Right-Of-Way Between The City of Vandalia, Illinois and Illinois District Councils Of The Assemblies of God.

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

ORDINANCE #208-6-2-B:
AMENDING CHAPTER 17 ZONING
OF THE VANDALIA MUNICIPAL
CODE: (MANUFACTURED &
MOBILE/MODULAR HOMES)

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Elliott approving Ordinance #2008-6-2-B, Amending Chapter 17 Zoning Of The Vandalia Municipal Code.

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

ORDINANCE #2008-6-2-C:
APPROVING A PRELIMINARY PLAT
FOR BEALS SUBDIVISION:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Hobler, approving Ordinance #2008-6-2-C, Approving A Preliminary Plat For Beals Subdivision.

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

ORDINANCE #2008-6-2-D:
APPROVING FINAL PLAT FOR
VETERANS COMMONS
SUBDIVISION:

A motion was made by Feldpouch and seconded by Brosman, Approving A Final Plat For Veterans Commons Subdivision.

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

RESOLUTION # 2008-6-2-E:
APPROVING SEVENTH MEMORANDUM
OD AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
CITY & LABORERS'
INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH
AMERICA, THE SOUTHERN &
CENTRAL ILLINOIS LABORERS'
DISTRICT COUNCIL &
LABORERS' LOCAL 1197
MAY 1, 2008/April 30, 2011

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Hobler, approving Resolution #2008-6-2-E, Approving Contract Agreement Between The City of Vandalia & Laborers' International Union Of North America, The Southern & Central Illinois Laborers' District Council & Laborers' Local 1197 for a three year contract.

Their new contract includes an annual 3.50% increase and an increase of their term life insurance to \$35,000.

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

ORDINANCE #2008-6-2-F:
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY
OF VANDALIA & FRATERNAL
ORDER OF POLICE VANDALIA
LODGE NO. 111 ILLINOIS
FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE
LABOR COUNCIL
MAY 1, 2008/APRIL 30, 2011:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Hobler Approving Ordinance #2008-6-2-F; Contract Agreement Between The City of Vandalia & Fraternal Order of Police Vandalia Lodge No. 111 for a three year contract.

Their new contract includes an annual 3.50% wage increase.

The contract also addresses the 12-hour shift schedule for police officers.

The new contract also increases the residency requirement can now live 10 miles out of the city limits.

Officers that live within 1 ½ miles of the city limits can drive their squad cars home.

Any officer that moves from the city limits to outside city limits, can no longer take their squad car home.

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

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by McNutt, Approving An Agreement Between the City of Vandalia and the Vandalia Telecommunicators for a three year contract.

In their contract, it includes new step levels on their pay with a 3.25% increase for the first year and a 3.50% pay increase for the last two years of the contract.

The telecommunicators will also work twelve hour shifts.

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

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Elliott to amend the Salary Ordinance.

Alderman Hobler stated he thought the Recreation Department deserved a .50 cent raise, instead of the .25 cent raise that was proposed by the personnel committee.

A roll call vote was taken to change the pay increase to .50 cents instead of .25 cents.

Cable, nay; Feldpouch, nay; Hobler, yea; Bennett, nay; Brosman, yea; Swarm, nay, McNutt, yea; Elliott, yea; A 4/4 tie, Mayor Gottman casted a no vote, leaving their raise at .25 cents an hour. Motion denied.

ORDINANCE #2008-6-2-G:
APPROVING A CERTAIN
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY
OF VANDALIA AND VANDALIA
POLICE TELECOMMUNICATORS
REPRESENTED BY ILLINOIS
FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE
LABOR COUNCIL
MAY 1, 2008/APRIL 30, 2008

AMENDMENT TO SALARY
ORDINANCE:

ORDINANCE #2008-6-2-H:
PERTAINING TO SALARIES FOR
FISCAL YEAR 5/01/08-4/30/09:
T21 GRANT PROJECT:

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Bennett approving Ordinance #2008-6-2-H, Pertaining To Salaries For Fiscal Year May 1, 2008/April 30, 2009 as presented to the council.

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

AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN LEASE
AGREEMENT FOR CITY VEHICLE:

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Hobler authorizing a three year lease agreement with Arthur Young, Inc. for a 2008 Chevy Impala to be used for the City Administration and Economic Development. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2008-6-2-I:
APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR
ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH
HURST-ROSCHÉ ENGINEERING

A motion was made by Feldpouch and seconded by Cable adopting Resolution #2008-6-2-I, Approving An Agreement For Engineering Services Between The City of Vandalia and Hurst-Rosche Engineers, Inc.

Hurst-Rosche proposes to complete the TIF District and Enterprise Zone maps for the City of Vandalia.

The estimated costs to complete the scope of services is \$4,500.00.

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

T-21 GRANT PROJECT:

Mayor Gottman announced a monthly progress report from HMG is included in your packets.

MORANI REPORT:

City Administrator Morani mentioned he has been in contact with Mike Weber to prepare a signage ordinance at the

request of Main Street.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Brosman said that a resident in the 400 block of South Sixth St. requested a streetlight in the middle of that street.

The street committee denied that request.

Swarm announced that the Police Department will be moving in the Public Safety Building June 11th. Radio, computer, and telephone technicians will be on sight that day.

Chief Eason is requesting authorization to accept the bid from Workman Installations for \$5,234.60 to install interview and security video equipment in the Public Safety Building.

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Hobler granting that request. Motion carried.

Swarm also announced applications for police officer are due in the Police Department by June 7th. Testing for applicants will take place on June 14th.

Swarm stated that he has a pet peeve by the number of merchants who park in front of their businesses on Gallatin St.

He suggested that the city remove that ordinance limiting two hour parking on Gallatin St.

Swarm said they should remove it if it is not going to be enforced.

Alderwoman McNutt said she remembers when she worked as dispatcher about 10

years ago, the city did issue tickets to violators.

Main Street Director, Dana Whiteman said studies have shown the value of parking space to a business, and Mayor Gottman asked Dana to bring those results to the next council meeting.

McNutt asked the council to look into purchasing a vehicle for the cemetery department.

Mayor Gottman mentioned that a vehicle for the cemetery is not in their budget for this year.

Hobler announced that a Lake Committee meeting is set for June 14th at 8:30 A.M. at the Marina.

JoAnn Givens, Director of Economic Development & Tourism Director gave a report for June.

Givens reported that the deadline to submit nominations for the "Vandalia In Bloom" was today.

The winner will be announced on Saturday, June 14th at noon.

Elliott reminded everyone of the Grand Levee to be held June 13, 14 and 15th.

The Carlyle Watershed Annual meeting will be held in Vandalia at the American Legion on August 18th.

MAIN STREET REPORT:

Dana Whiteman said three vendors participated in Main Street's first Country Market. Main Street is considering moving the market to the 100 block of South Fourth Street from 7:00 a.m. till 11:00 a. m. on Saturday. They are also looking at adding a week day to see if that would

draw more people.

Corn Day will be held only one day this year. The date is set for September 27th.

Main Street will be hosting a 5K Run/Walk, "Race to Downtown" on June 14, 2008.

ANNOUNCEMENTS :

Mayor Gottman announced that Main Street received two grants.

The funds received from the Old Capitol Foundation will give Lincoln Park a face lift.

The paint on the south wall of the park, which includes a picture of Lincoln will be covered with drivit stucco.

The grant from the Charles Rueddeman Foundation will be used towards an informational kiosk in Lincoln Park and two more murals in the downtown business district.

Mayor Gottman announced that the City of Vandalia received a check in the amount of \$200,000.00 to use towards road and bridge improvements.

Mayor Gottman spoke with Tom Beerman, representative for Illinois Power in reference to the tree trimming in Vandalia.

A list of trees to be trimmed is on file in the clerk's office for review if needed.

CITY CREW TO OIL ROADS NEXT WEEK:

John Moyer reported that oiling of the streets will begin on June 9th weather permitting.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being nothing to report from Executive Session, a motion was made by Elliott and seconded by McNutt to adjourn at 9:10 P.M. Motion carried.