

CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

May 18, 2009
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, Swarm, McNutt, Brosman, Black, Bennett, Hobler and Feldpouch.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Black approving the minutes from the May 4, 2009 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Feldpouch approving the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

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

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Bennett approving all Special Bills as submitted: Leader Union in the amount of \$1,818.29 for advertising; Geissler Roofing Co.,

Inc. in the amount of \$44,244.90 for the roof on City Hall; SCIRP&DC in the amount of \$2,500.00 for grant writing; Ray O'Herron Co. in the amount of \$1,796.01 for police equipment; Woody's Municipal Supply Co. in the amount of \$1,611.20 for supplies; Thompson, Coburn, Fagel in the amount of \$27,669.97 for legal fees; Tri-County Petroleum in the amount of \$5,509.96 for fuel; Hurst Rosche Engineers in the amount of \$6,125.00 for engineering fees for the W. Main Street extension; Centraz Industries in the amount \$1,879.50 for sewer solvent; G.S. Robins in the amount of \$2,706.00 for chemicals; Motion carried.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE OBSERVED
FOR LARRY HULSKOTTER & RYAN
DUGAN:**

A moment of silence was observed for City employee Larry Hulskotter and for Ryan Dugan, the son of Darrin and Lori Dugan owner of Dugan Auto Body. Our condolences to these two families.

**CITY ENTERS INTO AN
AGREEMENT WITH LOWENBAUM
PARTNERSHIP:**

A motion was made by Black and seconded by Bennett approving an *Engagement of Labor and Employment Counsel* with Lowenbaum Partnership, L.L.C. in connection with the city's labor and employment work. Motion carried.

**PROPOSAL ON LEGAL WORK AT
VANDALIA LAKE:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Feldpouch asking for Ancel, Glink, Diamond, Bush, DiCianni & Krafthefer for a proposal for a legal analysis of the future of land owned by the City, which is adjacent to Vandalia Lake. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE #2009-5-18-A:
TIF AGREEMENT WITH VANDALIA
COMM. SCHOOL DIST #203**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Cable approving Ordinance #2009-5-18-A, A Certain TIF Agreement Between the City and Vandalia Community Unit School District #203.

The City shall provide assistance in the form of a \$3,000 grant or 50% of total project costs.

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

ORDINANCE #2009-5-18-B:
TIF AGREEMENT WITH DENNIS
GRUGAUGH ON LIBERTY THEATER

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Swarm adopting Ordinance #2009-5-18-B, A Certain TIF Agreement Between the City and Dennis Grubaugh.

The City shall provide assistance in the form of \$5,000 grant or 50% of total project costs for help on removing the roof, lowering exterior walls and rebuilding roof on the former Liberty Theater.

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

APPROVAL OF VANDALIA TOURISM
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
FROM 4/14/09:

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by McNutt approving the Vandalia Tourism Commission meeting minutes from April 14, 2009. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #2009-5-18-C:
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A
CONTRACT BETWEEN BOWEN
PROPERTIES, INC. & THE CITY
OF VANDALIA

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Black adopting Ordinance #2009-5-18-C, Authorizing Execution Of A Contract Between Bowen Properties, Inc. & The City of Vandalia, Pursuant To The Provisions of 625 ILCS 5/11-209.

Bowen Properties has submitted to the City of Vandalia a contract authorizing the City of Vandalia to exercise control and regulation over motor vehicle usage upon and with the real estate leased by them.

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

A motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Swarm adopting Ordinance #2009-5-18-D, Amending Chapter 10.12 Parking Generally.

ORDINANCE #2009-5-18-D:
AMENDING CHAPTER 10.12
PARKING GENERALLY

The Street Department and Police Department may construct or obtain parking signs, portable in nature, to be used by the Departments for the temporary prohibition of parking. The sign or signs may contain a blanket parking prohibition or may be limited as to time, all as shall be thereon set forth.

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

APPROVAL OF CHEMICAL BIDS:

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Feldpouch approving the chemical bids as submitted. Motion carried.

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

COUNCIL MOVES INTO EXECUTIVE
SESSION AT 7:43 P.M. TO
DISCUSS AGREEMENT FOR
DEVELOPMENT:

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Black to move into Executive Session under the Act Chapter 5 ILCS 120/2 for pending of sale or acquisition of land for development. Motion carried.

Roll call was taken: Cable, yea; Swarm, yea; McNutt, yea; Hobler, yea; Feldpouch, yea; Brosman, yea; Bennett, yea; Black, yea.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDS AT 8:07 P.M.:

Executive Session ends at 8:07 P.M.

REGULAR SESSION RECONVENES AT 8:08 P.M.:

Mayor Gottman reconvened the regular council meeting at 8:08 P.M. with a roll call vote: Cable, yea; Feldpouch, yea; Hobler, yea; Bennett, yea; Brosman, yea; McNutt, yea; Black, yea; Swarm, yea;

PRESENTATION OF MAJOR DEVELOPMENT PROJECT:

After the Council moved back into regular session a presentation from Motown Technology & Sports Facility, Inc. was shared with the audience.

The project would be a 2 million square foot sports and entertainment facility. The development has plans to include a 9,000 seat arena, restaurants, surf wave pool, daycare, fitness center, IMAX theater and a 300 room hotel.

The project would also include a bicycle manufacturing plant that manufactures a fold down bicycle.

**ORDINANCE #2009-5-18-E::
ORDINANCE APPROVING AN
AGREEMENT BY & AMONG CITY OF
VANDALIA & MOTOWN TECHNOLOGY
& SPORTS FACILITY, INC.**

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Feldpouch to enter into an agreement with Motown Technology & Sports Facility, Inc. Ordinance #2009-5-18-E.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Gottman announced that the downtown enhancement project is moving along very well.

**APPROVAL OF VEHICLES OWNED
BY CITY BE APPROVED:**

City Clerk Bowen asked that the high bids on the sale of real property owned by the City be approved.

A motion was made by Black and seconded by Cable approving the high bids on city owned vehicles be approved. Motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Cable reported that associates will be coming on Wednesday to look over the river intake situation.

Swarm gave the monthly report for the Police Department for April 2009.

There were \$14,545.00 collected in fines and the city's portion was \$6,176.00.

Swarm also reported that the Police Department received a grant in the amount of \$10,543.00 to allow the department to purchase thirteen rifles.

The grant was issued by the Charles Ruemmelin Foundation.

Feldpouch announced the city replaced the air conditioner on the roof of City hall.

The amount of the Carrier roof top unit is \$4,812.00.

Hobler announced that there will be a Lake Committee Meeting on June 6th at 9:00 A.M. at the Marina.

Bennett reported that he received a telephone call from a local resident asking when repairs on the city sidewalks are being made the city

would consider making as many corners handicap assessable as possible.

Bennett stated that he supports the idea of giving priority to some of these places that come to our attention from people who are handicapped.

MAIN STREET REPORT:

Dana Whitman reported on the Paint the Town project first phase.

Whiteman announced that the ribbon cutting at the new facility for First National Bank will take place at 9:00 A.M. tomorrow.

Whiteman announced that the monthly meeting of Morning on Main Street will be held this Wednesday at 8:00 A.M. at Something Special Florist. Everyone is invited to attend.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

