

**CITY COUNCIL**  
Regular Meeting

July 6, 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, Brosman, Bennett, Feldpouch, McNutt, and Hobler. Black was 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 Hobler approving the minutes from June 15, 2009 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 McNutt approving all Special Bills as presented: Burnside, Johnston, Kelly & Sheafor in the amount of \$8,188.88 for legal fees; Geissler Roofing Co. in the amount of \$62,405.10 for City Hall roof replacement; Vandalia Youth Organization in the amount of \$5,000 for 2009 operating expenses; Ameren IP in the amount of \$22,911.87; Miller Brothers in the amount of \$7,575.00 for installation of storyboards; Vandalia Main Street Program in the amount of \$7,500.00 for ½ contribution

allotment; Arthur Young, Inc. in the amount of \$40,412.40 for two 2009 squad cars; HMG in the amount of \$44,282.06 for engineering fees; Southwestern Illinois in the amount of \$7,000 for membership dues; Hurst Rosche Engineers in the amount of \$17,425.00 for surveying and engineering fees; Marvin Nichols in the amount of \$1,950.00 for sand out at the lake; Peckham, Guyton, Albers in the amount of \$1,768.68 for TIF Activities; State Treasurer's of Il. in the amount of \$303,847.00 for the Gallatin St. project; Hank's Excavating in the amount of \$2,030.50 for the Gallatin St. project; Mettler Development, LLC in the amount of \$25,166.27 for pay estimate #3 for the water & sewer project on Gallatin Street; HMG in the amount of \$2,408.92 for the Gallatin Street project; HD Supply in the amount of \$6,623.32 for supplies; Schulte Supply in the amount of \$3,207.71 for PVC cutters; Vandalia City Garage in the amount of \$2,969.63 for vehicle operating costs; Vandevanter Engineering in the amount of \$2,235.53 for maintenance to equipment; G.S. Robins & Co. in the amount of \$4,161.50 for chemical supplies; Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #2009-7-6-A:**  
**APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR**  
**ENGINEERING SERVICES BETWEEN**  
**THE CITY & GONZALEZ**  
**COMPANIES, LLC**

A motion was made by Feldpouch and seconded by Bennett adopting Resolution #2009-7-6-A, Approving An Agreement For Engineering Services Between The City of Vandalia, Il. & Gonzalez Companies, LLC.

Gonzalez Companies will be working on a solution to the problems with the water intake.

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

**OPEN LIQUOR LICENSE FOR "THE DEPOT" RESTAURANT-CLASS E:**

Mayor Gottman reported that an open liquor license will be acted on for "The Depot" restaurant at the July 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**APPROVAL OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES FROM 6/23/09:**

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Cable approving the minutes from the Planning Commission Meeting on June 23, 2009. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE #2009-7-6-B: AMENDING THE VANDALIA MUNICIPAL CODE AT CHAPTER 17. ZONING**

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Cable adopting Ordinance #2009-7-6-B, Amending The Vandalia Municipal Code At Chapter 17.Zoning.

Chapter 17 Zoning Ordinance is amended at Section 10.5 Criteria for Specific Special Uses by addition of the following:

Tattoo Establishments. Tattoo establishments maybe allowed in commercial (CD) or light industrial (IL) districts based on certain criteria.

The council agreed that the establishment shall not be open for business between the hours of 9:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M.

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

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by McNutt approving Ordinance #2009-7-6-C, Amending The Vandalia Municipal Code At Chapter 5 Business Licenses & Regulations At Section 5.32 Tattoo Establishments.

The license fee for engaging in the business of operating a tattoo establishment within the City of Vandalia shall be \$75.00 per annum.

Only three (3) licenses shall be issued and be in effect at any time.

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

**RESOLUTION #2009-7-6-D:  
APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR  
ENGINEERING SERVICES BETWEEN  
THE CITY & HMG:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Cable approving Resolution #2009-7-6-D, an agreement with HMG to provide engineering services associated with the annual inspection of the dam.

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

**ORDINANCE #2009-7-6-E:  
APPROVING PRELIMINARY PLAT  
FOR FILLMORE SUBDIVISION:**

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Feldpouch adopting Ordinance #2009-7-6-E, Approving Preliminary Plat for Fillmore Subdivision.

A special use permit was approved for FAYCO Enterprises, Inc. to construct a group home on a piece of property on Fillmore Street between Brookstone Estates & Sunset Carwash.

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

**PLANNING COMMISSION TERM APPOINTMENTS:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Brosman approving the appointment made by Mayor Gottman to the Planning Commission. Motion carried.

**STANDING CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:**

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Feldpouch endorsing the appointments for the standing council committees made by Mayor Gottman. Motion carried.

**T-21 GRANT PROJECT:**

Mayor Gottman reported a weekly report from IDOT was enclosed in your packet. Mayor Gottman said that he thought the project was moving along very well.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR:**

Morani reported the City has received codification updates for Zoning, Lake and Subdivision Ordinances. He requested that all elected officials bring their red code book in for the necessary pages to be inserted.

Morani reported that anyone who plans to attend the IML Conference in Chicago should return your completed form to the City Clerk by Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup>.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A motion was made Cable and seconded by Brosman to go out for bid on water line improvements on Gallatin Street between Fifth & Sixth Street. Motion carried.

The bids will be held till the City is assured of the grant money.

A motion was made by Cable and seconded by Feldpouch to go out for bid on a 10 x 10 building added onto the lake intake to store chemicals. Motion carried.

Cable announced that the Water & Sewer committee will meet following the council meeting to review complaint forms.

Swarm reported that there has been some confusion about the city's use of its storm sirens. Chief Eason has researched the evolving national standards for using storm sirens and he discussed the subject with Emergency Management Coordinator. A set of guidelines were distributed to the council members.

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Cable to add the guidelines to the Department Directive. Motion carried.

Storm sirens will be tested for ten seconds on the first Tuesday of the month at 10:00 AM. If the weather is such that testing the sirens might cause undue concern, the test will be moved to Thursday.

Swarm reported that the Police Department will receive their two new squad cars in the morning.

Hobler announced that a Lake Committee Meeting will be held on July 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M. at The Marina.

Director of Economic Development & Tourism JoAnn Givens submitted a detailed report to the council.

Givens distributed a commemorative rubbing kit that contains a pad of paper, a sharpener and a pencil to create a "graphite rubbing" of each of the medallions embedded in every exhibit.

Givens expressed a big "thank you" to everyone who helped in making the Bluegrass Festival a success.

Bennett announced that the Personnel Committee will meet on Thursday, July 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 P.M. at City Hall to review the Personnel Policy Handbook.

**MAIN STREET:**

Dana Whiteman reported an architect with the Illinois Historical Preservation Association came to Vandalia on Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>.

The Paint the Town project continues with painting on a couple more interested businesses, Gathe Tax and State Farm Insurance.

Whiteman announced that she attended a workshop in Dixon, Il.

Whiteman announced that Main Street is having a free car wash. It is a retail promotion to get people downtown to continue patronizing the downtown businesses while the construction is going on.

Residents who use the downtown businesses in the next week will receive a coupon for a free car wash on Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup>.

Whiteman announced that the next Morning on Main Street will be July 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 A.M. at The Fayette County Museum.

**THANK YOU TO THE LION'S CLUB  
FOR A SPECTACULAR FOURTH:**

Hobler publicly thanked the Lion's Club for their preparation in putting on the Fourth of July Celebration.

Mayor Gottman also thanked all the local businesses for their generous donations to make the Fourth of July celebration so successful.

**UPDATE FROM HURST-ROSCHE  
ENGINEERS:**

Scott Hunt Engineer for Hurst-Rosche Engineers reminded the council that they may need to check with the EPA to see if a permit is required for the 10 x 10 building at the Lake.

A final roof inspection on the City Hall was done June 12<sup>th</sup>. They found a few minor items and he made the contractor aware of them.

Geissler Roofing submitted pay request #2 in the amount of \$62,405.10. All required lien waivers were accounted for.

Hunt said that he checked on what it would cost to rebid the cemetery maintenance building. They set a schedule. They checked into the cost the last time around and it was around \$1,500.00 in actual man hours. If the council desires they would submit a contract for the council to approve, but in the meantime if the council would like to move forward they would start the work instead of waiting till the next council meeting to officially approve it.

Hurst-Rosche recommended to advertise for bids by the end of July, so construction can begin in mid September.

A motion was made by McNutt and seconded by Feldpouch to go out for bid for the cemetery maintenance building. Motion carried.

Another project Illini Avenue water main. This is a water main that the city plans to install with their work forces. Hurst-Rosche submitted the plans to EPA today.

The West Main Street water and sewer was also submitted to EPA on June 24<sup>th</sup>, this is also contingent on grant funding.

The plans and specs have been completed on the Cole Street resurfacing project and have submitted them to IDOT local roads. There is a slight possibility that they will let us put this out for bid this fall.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

