

CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

April 1, 2013

7:30 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Gottman called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Vandalia City Council to order at 7:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Alderman Present: Swarm, Lester, N. Clark, Beesley, Hobler and B. John Clark. Rhodes & Stunkel were absent.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded N. Clark approving the minutes from the March 18, 2013 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

A motion was made by Beesley and seconded by B. John Clark approving the regular bills as presented. Motion carried.

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by N. Clark and seconded by B. John Clark approving the Special Bills as presented: Terracon Consultants, Inc. in the amount of \$2,130.00 for Brownsfield Grant expenditures for Emerick and Wehrle Properties; Old Dominion Brush in the amount of \$2,532.93 for equipment at Street Department; Metals Culverts in the amount of \$4,033.03 for culverts; North American Salt in the amount of \$4,643.74 for salt; Vandalia Asphalt Service in the amount of \$2,463.20 for patch mix; Tim Metzger in the amount of \$7,500.00 for TIF reimbursement; First National Bank in the amount of \$52,515.63 for GO

Bonds for Long Term Debt; CNH Capital in the amount of \$3,654.56 for tractor repairs; Brenntag Mid-South Inc. in the amount of \$8,597.89 for chemical supplies; ADS Electric Corp. in the amount of \$1,976.87 for sewer plant generator. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A motion was made by N. Clark and seconded by B. John Clark approving the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES-MARCH 11,2013:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by N. Clark approving the Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes from March 11, 2013 as presented. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE #2013-4-1-A:
ESTABLISHING MABAS
DEPLOYMENT COMPENSAION
GUIDELINES FOR CITY OF
VANDALIA**

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by N. Clark adopting Ordinance #2013-4-1-A, Establishing MABAS Deployment Compensation Guidelines For City of Vandalia with the provision stating the compensation paid by the City of Vandalia will be an amount equal to the employee's civilian career pay per hour. The employee shall not be paid for more than the hourly maximum rate as set forth by the Emergency Management Assistance Compact Act.

Roll Call: Hobler, yea; Swarm, yea; Lester, yea; Beesley, yea; N. Clark, yea; B. John Clark, yea; Stunkel and Rhodes were absent. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE #2013-4-1-B:
AMENDING CHAPTER 5.08
BUSINESS LICENSE GENERALLY
AT SECTION 5.08.030
APPLICATION FOR LICENSE AND
SECTION 5.08.040 RESTRICTION
ON LICENSES**

A motion was made by B. John Clark and seconded by Swarm adopting Ordinance #2013-4-1-B, Amending Chapter 5.08 Business License Generally At Section 5.08.030 Application For License And Section 5.08.040 Restriction On Licenses.

Lester suggested for clarity, if changes were in bold print.

Attorney Don Sheafor suggested that we draft one in regular form and all copies that go out would show the changes in bold.

The aldermen were in consensus to have Attorney Sheafor do so.

Roll Call: Swarm, yea; N. Clark, yea; Hobler, nay; Beesley, yea; Lester, yea; B. John Clark, yea. Sunkel and Rhodes were absent. Motion carried.

**APPOINTMENT OF FRED KRUEGER
TO THE ZONING BOARD OF
ADJUSTMENTS:**

A motion was made by Beesley and seconded by Lester approving the appointment of Fred Krueger to the Zoning Board of Adjustments. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF WATER & SEWER
COMMITTEE MINUTES FROM MARCH
19, 2012:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Neil Clark approving the Water & Sewer Committee Minutes from March 19, 2012 as presented. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF WATER & SEWER
COMMITTEE MINUTES FROM
SEPTEMBER 24, 2012:**

A motion was made by N. Clark and seconded by Beesley approving the Water and Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes from September 24, 2012 as presented. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF WATER & SEWER
COMMITTEE MINUTES FROM
NOVEMBER 5, 2012:**

A motion was made by Beesley and seconded by B. John Clark approving the Water & Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes from November 5, 2012 as presented. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF WATER & SEWER
COMMITTEE MINUTES FROM
NOVEMBER 19, 2012:

A motion was made by Beesley and seconded by B. John Clark approving the Water and Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes from November 19, 2012 with one change. The change shall read He suggested that **he** go ahead and drill the wells, not the city. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF WATER & SEWER
COMMITTEE MINUTES FROM
DECEMBER 17, 2012:

A motion was made by Beesley and seconded by N. Clark approving the Water & Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes from December 17, 2012 with the correction stating, a customer who lives on Zent Drive said that she receives two water bills each month, it should read **a double water bill** due to living outside the city limits. Motion carried.

DOWNTOWN STREETSCAPE:

Mayor Gottman reported that construction on Fourth Street will be delayed until after the tax filing deadline. Due to the fact that this is a busy season for two businesses in that area.

Mayor Gottman also reported that the handrails have been constructed and will be installed as soon as they are powder coated.

NEW PHONE SYSTEM INSTALLED:

Clerk Bowen reported that the new phone system was installed at City Hall over the weekend. The phone system seems to be working very well at this time.

CODE OFFICIAL REPORT:

A motion was made by Beesley and seconded by N. Clark approving the code official report as submitted. Motion carried.

CLEAN UP WEEK SET FOR MAY
13th THRU MAY 17th:

John Moyer reported that Clean-Up Week will be May 13th thru May 17th.

Mayor Gottman asked that Moyer get with LaTisha Paslay to get an EPA list from Doty Sanitation of what they will not accept. So we meet all the guidelines with the Illinois EPA.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

B. John Clark announced that Cruise Night begins this Friday evening at Sonics. It will be the first and third Friday evening of the month.

Mayor Gottman publicly thanked John Moyer and his crew for the work that was done during the heavy snow on March 24th.

Mayor Gottman reported that he received a call from a representative of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in regard to the water intake. The individual that Mayor Gottman spoke with was concerned with the river intake not being used on an ongoing basis and would like to meet with the mayor and council members.

Mayor Gottman asked that all aldermen be present for the special work session to discuss the water river intake.

Mayor Gottman will also ask Walt Pearson who was the diver along with engineering firm HMG who designed it also be on hand.

A motion was made by N. Clark and seconded by Hobler approving the hiring of Jeff Hill for temporary help at the cemetery. Motion carried.

Mayor Gottman asked that Lester who is the chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee take a look at the awning at the Police Department. The awning is beginning to look somewhat tattered.

Mayor Gottman stated that he would like to report that the rumor the campgrounds are closing is not true according to Lake Chairman Mike Hobler.

The campgrounds plan to be open by Mother's Day weekend.

Vicki & Robert Ellsworth attended the council meeting. They are the owners and operators of the Huddle House and Embers. They shared with the council some drawings from the architect on floor plans of both restaurants.

They plan to go out for bids by the middle of April.

Mayor Gottman praised Steven Stilt for his article on the Vandalia Work Camp that was published in the Centralia Sentinel.

The Vandalia Correctional Center's work camp may soon be involved in tasks such as cemetery maintenance and event setup and other nearby communities.

Mayor Gottman stated that he met with a local manufacturer that is looking at increasing jobs in our community in the next quarter.

HURST & ROSCHE REPORT:

Scott Hunt with Hurst and Rosche reported that the paperwork on the Police Station Roof Replacement has been finalized.

He reported that the Water Treatment Plant Roof Replacement will be put out for bid early summer.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Beesley and seconded by N. Clark to adjourned.

