

CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

March 17, 2014

7:30 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

Aldermen present were: Stunkel, Neil Clark, B. John Clark, Hobler and Crawford. Swarm, Lester and Beesley was absent.

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR BONITA EDWARDS:

A moment of silence was observed for Bonita Edwards who served as a former radio dispatcher for the city.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Hobler approving the minutes from the March 3, 2014 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

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

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made N. Clark and seconded by Stunkel approving the Special Bills as listed: Burnside Johnston Sheafor in the amount of \$3,400.00 for small claims; BM Truck Equipment in the amount of \$2,132.77

for equipment accessories; Ameren Illinois in the amount of \$3,018.20 for lighting; Vandalia Asphalt in the amount \$1,781.60 for patch mix; Midwest Tractor Sales Inc. in the amount of \$2,000 for rental on Exmark tractor; Brenntag in the amount of \$15,127.45 for chemicals; Montgomery Electric in the amount of \$2,481.93 for repairs to motors at Sewer Plant; Direct Energy in the amount of \$3,058.23 for electric. Motion carried.

REP CAVALETTO ATENDS CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO ANNOUNCE CAPITAL FUNDS COMING TO VANDALIA:

State Rep. John Cavaletto was present for the council meeting to announce that the City of Vandalia will receive \$100,000.00 in money from the Capital Bill to go towards building a new Cemetery Building.

Rep. Cavaletto says the money was actually forwarded on from former State Rep. Ron Stephens. But, the money is just now getting ready to be released.

Cavaletto said that he is continuing working on funding for improvement that are needed at the Vandalia Statehouse.

This will include new windows for the building. The cost is about \$1,000 apiece, and there are 33 of them.

Cavaletto said that he has always been opposed to gaming in the past, he has decided that since it will exist, he would like to get some of those gaming funds for the state's historic sites.

Cavaletto will be presenting a bill to create a lottery ticket for Illinois' 52 historic structures.

He said that we must take care of our Illinois historic facilities.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

N. Clark announced that the Cemetery Committee met this evening to discuss personnel matters for the cemetery.

N. Clark announced that he will be calling another Cemetery Committee to discuss other matters shortly.

Hobler asked Mayor Gottman if he received a contract for fuel for the lake? They will be looking at contracting this out this year.

Mayor Gottman announced that the pizza restaurant Embers opened this evening.

Mayor Gottman said that another restaurant is looking to open in Vandalia.

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Hobler to advertise for summer help at the Lake and the Cemetery.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Gottman urged the residents of Fayette County to vote tomorrow March 18th.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

