CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

March 3, 2014 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:

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

MOMENT OF SILENCE OBSERVED FOR CHARLES KAISER & RON DOLLY:

A moment of silence was observed for Charles Kaiser husband of former employee Judy Kaiser and Ron Dolly former business owner in Vandalia.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Stunkel approving the minutes from the February 18, 2014 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

A motion of was made by Stunkel and seconded by Hobler 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: Tri S Excavating, LLC. in the amount of \$57,209.26 for Water & Sewer Pay Estimate #1; John H. Crawford & Associates in the amount of \$9,000.00 for engineering fees; HD Supply Waterworks in the amount of \$1,878.00 for flex check valve; Sensus Metering

Systems in the amount of \$1,524.60 for software updates; Brenntag Mid South Inc. in the amount of \$4,725.56 for chemicals; Sidener Environmental Services in the amount of \$2,217.49 for regulator kit at the Water Plant. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TRI-S EXCAVATING, LLC PAY ESTIMATE NO 1:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by N. Clark approving Pay Estimate #1 to Tri-S Excavating in the amount of \$57,209.26 for the West Interchange Water & Sewer Extension. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER FOR WEST INTERCHANGE WATER/SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT:

A motion was made by N. Clark and seconded by Beesley approving the contract change order for an extension of 14 days to the water & sewer extension project due to the below average temperatures and above normal snowfall for the past few weeks. Motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Beesley will be calling a Water & Sewer Committee Meeting in the near future to discuss a residential water line issue.

N. Clark will be calling a Cemetery Committee in the near future to discuss personnel, the Old State Cemetery and marking of the maps for the Cemetery.

Mayor Gottman stated that an official police report was filed on the damage done to The Little Red Caboose.

Chief of Police Jeff Ray thru Crime Watchers offered an award in the amount of \$200.00 that would lead to an arrest and conviction in the case.

A motion was made by N. Clark and seconded by B. John Clark to add an additional \$300.00 to that award

bringing it to \$500.00. Motion carried.

Mayor Gottman stated that we are getting ready to go into the summer help and as the council decided that all personnel would go through the personnel committee, even the previous employees that helped at the lake and cemetery.

THANK YOU FROM ALDERWOMAN CRAWFORD:

Crawford mentioned as the parent of a Vandalia wrestler she wished to thank the Vandalia Fire Department along with the Vandalia Police Department for the sendoff that was given to the boys Friday afternoon.

COUNCIL MOVES INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:49 P.M.:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Stunkel to move into Executive Session at 7:49 p.m. to discuss personnel matters, bargaining and negotiations under Code 5 ILCS 120/2.

Roll Call: Hobler, yea; B. John Clark, yea; Stunkel, yea; N. Clark, yea; Beesley, yea; Crawford, yea; Lester, yea; Swarm, yea. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDS AT 8:55 P.M.:

Executive Session ended at 8:55 P.M.

REGULAR SESSION RECONVENES AT 8:55 P.M.:

Mayor Gottman reconvened the regular meeting at 8:55 P.M. with a roll call: Stunkel, yea; Swarm, yea; N. Clark, yea; Lester, yea; Hobler, yea; Beesley, yea; Crawford, yea; B. John Clark, yea;

ADJOURNMENT:

There being nothing to report from Executive Session, a motion was made by Beesley and seconded by Hobler to adjourn. Motion carried.