

CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

March 4, 2013

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: Swarm, Lester, B. John Clark, N. Clark, Beesley, Stunkel and Hobler. Rhodes was absent.

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR JOE WYANT:

A moment of silence was observed for Joe Wyant. Wyant served as a civil process server for the Fayette Co. Sheriff's Office and worked as lake patrol for the City of Vandalia.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by N. Clark approving the minutes from the February 19, 2013 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

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

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by Neil Clark and seconded Stunkel approving the Special Bills as presented: South Central FS, Inc. in the amount of \$41,240.92 for the 2012 Sales Tax Reimbursement; Terracon Consultants, Inc. in the

amount of \$2,195.00 for Phase II ESA's and Cleanup planning for Emerick Properties; Ameren Illinois in the amount of \$2,683.17 for street lights; North American Salt Co. in the amount of \$6,671.11 for salt; Dennis Grubaugh in the amount of \$15,000. For TIF reimbursement for remodeling/renovation work on the former Jr. Food Mart; Sensus Metering Systems in the amount of \$1,524.60 for the yearly renewal for auto read software support; AUMA Actuators, Inc. in the amount of \$3,352.07 for labor for installing pump; Brenntag Mid South, Inc. in the amount of \$17,660.82 for chemicals. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2013-3-4-A:
ABATE BIKE SHOW & FAMILY
FESTIVAL

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Beesley adopting Resolution #2013-3-4-A, Approving the Street Closure for the ABATE Bike Show & Family Festival on May 18, 2013, Third Street to Sixth Street from 7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. A voice vote was unanimous for approval.

RESOLUTION #2013-3-4-B:
GRANDE LEVEE & HARVEST
FESTIVAL

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Stunkel adopting Resolution #2013-3-4-B, Approving the Street Closure for the Grande Levee and Harvest Festival on September 28, 2013, Third Street to Sixth Street from 7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. A voice vote was unanimous for approval.

RESOLUTION #2013-3-4-C:
LIONS CLUB ANNUAL HALLOWEEN
PARADE

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by N. Clark adopting Resolution #2013-3-4-C, Approving the Street Closure for the Lions Club Halloween Parade on October 24, 2013, Third Street to Seventh Street from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. A voice vote was unanimous for approval.

RESOLUTION #2013-3-4-D:
ROTARY CLUB CHRISTMAS PARADE

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by N. Clark adopting the Street Closure for the Rotary Club Christmas Parade on December 7, 2013, Third Street to Eighth Street from 8:45 A.M. to 11:15 A.M. A

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voice vote was unanimous for approval.

**LEASE AGREEMENT TABLED FOR
LAKE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW:**

An ordinance approving a lease agreement between the City of Vandalia and the Vandalia Lake Club was tabled for the Lake Committee to review lease agreement.

**ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MABAS
GUIDELINES FOR THE CITY OF
VANDALIA:**

Fire Chief Ed Taylor explained to the council that the Vandalia Fire Department is a member of the Illinois Mutual Aid Box Alarm System.

MABAS encourages that municipalities pass an ordinance to establish guidelines for the reimbursement of firefighters' pay by MABAS while they are away from their jobs.

Aldermen questioned who would be responsible to compensate firefighters, because the wording wasn't very clear in the ordinance, Mayor Gottman referred the matter to the Public Safety Committee for their review.

**ORDINANCE #2013-3-4-E:
AMENDING THE VANDALIA
MUNICIPAL CODE AT TITLE
V BUSINESS LICENSES AND
REGULATIONS AT SECTION
5.08.070 NUMBER OF LICENSES**

A motion was made by N. Clark and seconded by Beesley approving Ordinance #2013-3-4-E, Amending The Vandalia Municipal Code At Title V Business Licenses and Regulations At Section 5.08.070 Number of Licenses.

Robert and Vicky Ellsworth are requesting a Class E liquor license for a second restaurant that they plan to open near the Holiday Inn Express.

The name of the second restaurant has not yet been revealed.

The restaurant would be adjacent to the Huddle House that will be built this summer.

Melvin Huber questioned if the two restaurants would be able to extend the sale of liquor into both businesses and Mayor Gottman said no. The second restaurant would have its own entrance.

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

DOWNTOWN STREETScape
PROJECT:

Mayor Gottman said that he met with Scott Rakers, engineer for HMG last week. As soon as the weather permits they will move forward. He informed Mayor Gottman that the handrails are being made.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

In Public Safety, Mayor Gottman remarked, hats off to the Vandalia Police Department for their assistance in apprehending the two individuals who robbed the bank in Altamont.

Mayor Gottman also praised Sgt. Jeff Ray who participated in the Illinois Law Enforcement System for regions 9 and 11.

A group of law enforcement personnel from throughout this part of the state conducted an exercise Friday afternoon at the High School.

The exercise included a lockdown situation in the high school.

Hobler announced that a Lake Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, March 11th at 5:00 P.M. at City Hall to discuss the lease agreement with the Vandalia Lake Club.

Mayor Gottman reported that he held a business meeting this past weekend in regards to retention and expansion of a local business.

ANNOUNCEMENTS :

Mayor Gottman praised Public Works Director John Moyer and his crew for the good job they did with the streets after the last snow.

Swarm announced that the Public Safety Committee will meet on Monday, March 11th at 5:30 P.M. at City Hall to discuss the MABAS guidelines.

Mayor Gottman stated that the Statement of Economic Interests should be filled out and returned to Clerk Bowen to be filed at the County Clerk's Office.

HURST-ROSCHE REPORT:

Scott Hunt, engineer for Hurst Rosche reported that they received the final Pay Request #3 from Kehrer Brothers in the amount of \$7,909.22 for the Police Station Roof Replacement.

Hunt recommended even though all the work has been completed the city approve the final pay request but do not release payment contingent upon the final waiver of lien from Republic Powdered Metals.

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by B. John Clark to pay the final pay request of \$7,909.22. Motion carried.

FAREWELL TO TRENT WEST:

Mayor Gottman announced that this will be the last meeting for Trent West, as West is taking an assistant state's attorney position in Madison County.

Mayor Gottman said that he has done a great job for the city and wish him and his family well.

PUBLIC HEARING DATES SET ON GOOD ENERGY??

Dorothy Crawford asked if any date has been set for the public hearings with Good Energy?

Mayor Gottman said that he did not have a date nor will the city receive it because the city cannot be involved with it because it is a referendum.

**GRUBAUGH PRAISED FOR WORK
DONE ON LORENZO'S:**

Dennis Grubaugh announced that Lorenzo's Restaurant is now open at their new location. Grubaugh says they have been impressed with their customer count so far. He apologized for not having the parking lot finished but will work on that this spring.

Mayor Gottman praised Grubaugh for the improvements made to the former Jr. Food Mart which is now Lorenzo's and to other improvements made to buildings throughout the city.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being nothing further to report a motion was made by Beesley and seconded by Stunkel to adjourn. Motion carried.

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