

**CITY COUNCIL**

Regular Meeting

August 19, 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, B. John Clark, N. Clark, Beesley, Stunkel, Hobler and Crawford. Lester was absent.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR ELAINE FROEHLI & GLEN HOBBIE:**

A moment of silence was observed for Elaine Froehly who was very community supportive and Glen Hobbie father of Glen Hobbie Jr. manager at Van Seal.

**MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Stunkel approving the minutes from the August 5, 2013 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

**REGULAR BILLS:**

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

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

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

**SPECIAL BILLS:**

A motion was made by Neil Clark and seconded B. John Clark approving the Special Bills as presented: Burnside Johnston & Sheafor in the amount of \$2,362.00 for legal fees; Fayette Co. Treasurer's Office in the amount of

\$2,615.63 for animal control; Frost Electric Supply in the amount of \$93,069.77 for sign poles for side street enhancement project; Vandalia Asphalt Service in the amount of \$3,064.00 for patch mix; A One A, Ltd. in the amount of \$8,515.13 for TIF reimbursement for Mick Rogers; South Central FS Inc. in the amount of 6,965.82 for garage fuel; Brenntag Mid South, Inc. in the amount of \$4,236.00 for chemicals; Motion carried.

**VANDALIA TOURISM COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES FROM JULY 9,  
2013:**

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Beesley approving the Vandalia Tourism Commission Meeting Minutes from July 9, 2013 as presented. Motion carried.

**TIF ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES FROM AUGUST  
7, 2013:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by N. Clark approving the TIF Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes from August 7, 2013 as presented. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE #2013-8-19-A:  
APPROVING CERTAIN TAX  
INCREMENT DEVELOPMENT  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY  
OF VANDALIA & DENNIS YOUNG**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Swarm approving Ordinance #2013-8-19-A, Certain Tax Increment Development Agreement Between The City of Vandalia and Dennis Young of Arthur Young Inc.

The \$15,000 TIF grant for Phase II renovations of new lighting, new paint, installation of drop ceiling in parts and service area & windows in service/parts area of dealership.

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

**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS  
MEETING MINUTES FROM AUGUST  
14, 2013:**

A motion was made by N. Clark and seconded by Stunkel approving the Zoning Board of Adjustment Meeting Minutes from August 14, 2013 as presented. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE #2013-8-19-B:  
AMENDING THE VANDALIA  
MUNICIPAL CODE AT CHAPTER  
15.25 BOND REQUIRED FOR  
DEMOLITION**

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Crawford adopting Ordinance #2013-8-19-B, Amending The Vandalia Municipal Code At Chapter 15.25 Bond Required For Demolition.

The total removal of a structure shall constitute demolition for all purposes herein and **shall not** be undertaken as to any property **without prior payment** for the **water system disconnect**, as provided in Section 15.25.020, and performance of the disconnect by the City of Vandalia.

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

**APPROVAL FOR PURCHASE OF LAB  
EQUIPMENT FOR SEWER PLANT TO  
SATISFY EPA REQUIREMENTS:**

A motion was made by Beesley and seconded by Hobler approving the purchase of lab equipment for the Waste Water Treatment Plant from Hach Company in the amount of \$5,697.73 to satisfy EPA requirements. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #2013-8-19-C:  
SUPPORTING APPLICATION FOR  
AN ITEP MAP-21 GRANT WITH  
THE STATE OF ILLINOIS**

A motion was made N. Clark and seconded by Beesley adopting Resolution #2013-8-19-C, Supporting Application For An ITEP (Illinois Traffic Enhancement Program)Map-21 Grant With The State Of Illinois.

The grant request is in the amount of \$263,277.00 and would be used to construct new arterial sidewalks that will connect residential areas of the City to Community Schools and parks where sidewalks are currently installed and used.

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

**RESOLUTION #2013-8-19-D:  
APPROVING AN AGREEMENT  
FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES  
BETWEEN THE CITY OF VANDALIA  
AND JOHN H. CRAWFORD &  
ASSOCIATES**

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by N. Clark adopting Resolution #2013-8-19-D, Approving An Agreement For Engineering Services Between The City of Vandalia, IL And John H. Crawford & Associates.

The agreement for engineering services with Crawford & Associates is for a water line extension for South Central FS.

Mayor Gottman told the council that the original price was \$212,000.00 that is going just south of the entrance of Pine Ridge. Byron Sikma is asking to move it up that increased the project to \$234,296.00.

Alderman Hobler expressed his opposition to spending the additional \$22,000. He said, with no faster than development is in the area that we should save our \$22,000 rather than wait when that develops.

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Beesley to go with the \$212,000.00 location. Motion carried.

The council did a roll call on the agreement with the engineering services with Crawford & Associates on the FS water line extension.

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

**APPROVAL OF PLANNING  
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
FROM AUGUST 15, 2013:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by B. John Clark approving the Planning Commission Meeting Minutes from August 15, 2013 as presented. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF SPECIAL COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES FROM AUGUST  
15, 2013:**

A motion was made by N. Clark and seconded by Hobler approving the Special Council Meeting Minutes from August 15, 2013 as presented. Motion carried.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Beesley said that Marty Huskey, Water Plant Superintendent is in need of a new electrical generator. It is a budgeted item. Huskey did receive a couple bids on the generator.

Mayor Gottman asked that Beesley bring those bids back to the September 3<sup>rd</sup> council meeting.

Mayor Gottman reported that one of the new squad cars is in service and the other is being equipped at this time.

Mayor Gottman reported that Pioneer Railroad has notified Mayor Gottman that they will be exercising their ten year option with Vandalia Railroad.

Mayor Gottman announced that the ground breaking for a four cinema theatre will take place in the next three to four weeks.

The theatre will be located southwest of the strip mall adjacent from Wal-Mart.

Mayor Gottman announced that work on the Huddle House is moving along very well.

FS is moving dirt on their property and that is positive.

Mayor Gottman announced that he met with a realtor that is interested in working with the city to bring additional business into the community.

Stunkel announced the Personnel Committee plan to schedule a meeting in the near future to hire crossing guards.

**RECEPTION TO BE HELD ON  
AUGUST 30<sup>TH</sup> FOR DAN THEMIG AT  
COUNTRY CLUB:**

Mayor Gottman announced that Dan Themig who was born and raised in Vandalia who now lives in Canada will be in town on August 30<sup>th</sup> to do a presentation on drill bits he has invented that are used for fracking. The reception will be held at the Vandalia Country Club on August 30<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon. RSVP by August 27<sup>th</sup>.

The meal will be paid for by an anonymous sponsor. The city is not spending anything on this event. It's all been paid for by a generous donor.

**HURST & ROSCHE REPORT:**

Scott Hunt engineer for Hurst Rosche reported on the Fifth & Randolph bridge projects.

Hunt said that IDOT will have to open a 90 days to "market the bridge".

Hunt said that they have to allow an opportunity for a business or private individuals to purchase or take that bridge and move it to another location. They realize that is not feasible and have asked to forgo this process, but the Illinois Historical Society said no, you have to go through the process.

Hunt said that IDOT will let them go through with design in the meantime.

Hunt reported that the Vandalia Dam Inspection is completed. A copy was sent to the City of Vandalia on August 14<sup>th</sup>, but the city did not receive it. Hunt will see that the city receives a copy.

**INTRODUCTION OF CRAWFORD &  
ASSOCIATES:**

Crawford and Associates introduced themselves to the council. Rodney Potts who serves as president of John Crawford & Associates; William Lytle an engineer for the firm and Dan Fisher who works out of the Vandalia and Gillespie office.

**MEETING TO BE SET TO REVIEW PROPOSALS ON NEW WATER PLANT:**

Mayor Gottman asked that a meeting with the Water Committee and Building Grounds Committee be set with Hurst & Rosche and Crawford and Associates to go over their proposals on a new water plant.

**COUNCIL MOVES INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:10 P.M.:**

A motion was made by N. Clark and seconded by Hobler to move into Executive Session for the sale or acquiring of land.

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSSION ENDS AT 8:39 P.M.:**

Executive Session ended at 8:39 P.M.

**REGULAR SESSION RECONVENES AT 8:39 P.M.:**

Mayor Gottman reconvened the regular meeting at 8:39 P.M. with a roll call: B. John Clark, yea; Beesley, yea; Crawford, yea; N. Clark, yea; Hobler, yea; Stunkel, yea; Swarm, yea.

**INTEREST IN GRAHAM PACKAGING BUILDING:**

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Beesley directing Mayor Gottman to send a letter to Graham Packaging expressing the city's interest in receiving the Graham Packaging real estate, building and chattel property as a donation. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

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