

CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

January 20, 2014

7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

ROLL CALL:

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

**MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR EDWIN
ADERMANN:**

A moment of silence was observed for Edwin Adermann, father of former fire chief Merle Adermann and former owner of Higgins Cleaners.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Beesley approving the minutes from the January 7, 2014 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 Swarm approving all Special Bills as submitted: Civic Systems, LLC in the amount of \$3,228.00 for semi-annual support; Burnside, Johnston & Sheafor in the amount of \$2,087.50 for legal fees; Cargill Inc. in the amount of \$4,236.51 for salt; Rick Cripe in the amount of \$11,054.17 for TIF reimbursement; Sloan Implement Co.

in the amount of \$34,367.89 for TIF reimbursement; South Central FS Inc., in the amount of \$6,282.34 for garage fuel; Centraz Industries in the amount of \$ 2,874.00 for sewer solvent; Brenntag Mid South, Inc. in the amount of \$5,098.56 for supplies; Direct Energy in the amount of \$10,998.13. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

**APPROVAL OF PLANNING
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
FROM JANUARY 6, 2014 &
JANUARY 7, 2014:**

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by N. Clark approving the Planning Commission Meeting Minutes from January 6, 2014 and January 7, 2014 as submitted. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF TIF ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
FROM JANUARY 9, 2014:**

A motion was made by Beesley and seconded by B. John Clark approving the TIF Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes from January 9, 2014 as presented. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE #2014-1-20-A:
APPROVING A CERTAIN
INCREMENT DEVELOPMENT
AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN
THE CITY OF VANDALIA AND
VANDALIA PARK DISTRICT**

A motion was made by N. Clark and seconded by Beesley Adopting Ordinance #2014-1-20-A, Approving A Certain Increment Development Agreement By And Between The City Of Vandalia And Vandalia Park District.

The Developer will receive no more than \$5,000.00 towards the construction of a new pavilion which will be located along Fletcher Street by the high school baseball and softball fields.

Voting by roll call: Swarm, yea; N. Clark, yea; Beesley, yea; Lester, yea; B. John Clark, yea. Crawford, Hobler and Stunkel were absent. Motion carried.

**APPOINTMENT OF KYLE BARKER
TO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:**

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by N. Clark approving the appointment of Kyle Barker to the Zoning Board Of Appeals. Barker will replace the position vacated by Sean Cook upon moving out of state. Motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A motion was made by B. John Clark and seconded by N. Clark to seek bids for a standard cab, four wheel drive pickup truck for the Public Works Department. Motion carried.

John Moyer, Public Works Director reported that the city is going to have problems regarding the salt supply if the winter weather continues. The city has used about 400 ton of salt already this year. Moyer said we have already had seven storms since December 5th and last year we only had four.

Mayor Gottman stated that he received letters from the F.O.P. and Dispatchers in regard to their contracts. Mayor Gottman will meet with Chairman Stunkel and the unions to bring something back to the council.

Mayor Gottman said that the laborers have also verbally contacted the mayor.

LaTisha Paslay announced that the Fourth Annual Lincoln Victory Ball will be held at the Moose Lodge on Saturday, February 8, 2014 at 7:00 P.M.

On Sunday, February 9th there will be a Lincoln Birthday Celebration at the Vandalia Statehouse at 2:00 P.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS :

Mayor Gottman announced on Wednesday of this week the Tourism Bureau of Illinois South will be holding their annual meeting in Vandalia at the Vandalia Statehouse.

Representative John Cavaletto will hold office hours on Wednesday also at the Vandalia Statehouse.

Mayor Gottman invited the council members to attend.

Mayor Gottman said that each county has two people who represent their county. They are appointed by the county board and the two appointed from our county is Sally Emerick and Mayor Gottman.

Mayor Gottman announced that the FS facility is moving along very well. Shortly we will begin the waterline with the FS Plant.

Mayor Gottman gave an update on several businesses in the Vandalia area.

Mayor Gottman said that he did have a conversation with the Cincinnati based firm which purchased the Graham building.

They will be visiting Vandalia soon to discuss their plans for the facility.

Mayor Gottman announced that the Vandalia Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet will be held on Thursday, January 23rd at the Vandalia Moose Lodge.

The theme for this year is a celebration of the Chamber's 100th Anniversary. The entertainment for the evening will be a murder mystery dinner.

CONCERNS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Alderman N. Clark asked if there was any ordinance in place in reference to defacing of public property if not he would like to see the city implement one with a very heavy fine.

ALDERMAN NEIL CLARK PRAISES ALDERMAN SWARM FOR WORK ON NATIONAL ROAD & VARIOUS FESTIVALS:

Alderman Neil Clark praised Alderman Jerry Swarm for all his hard work that he puts forth with the National Road and various festivals and other tourism events.

MAYOR TO APPOINT COMMITTEE TO WORK ON WEBSITE:

Mayor Gottman said that by the February 3rd meeting he will have a committee named to work on the Vandalia website.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being nothing further to discuss, a motion was made by Beesley and seconded by B John Clark to adjourn. Motion carried.

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