

CITY COUNCIL  
Regular Meeting

December 1, 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: Swarm, Lester, B.J. Clark, N. Clark, Hobler, Stunkel and Crawford.

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

A moment of silence was observed for Ken Lange, Former Business Owner of "The Hub" Clothing Store.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Crawford approving the minutes from the November 17, 2014 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

N. Clark moved and Stunkel seconded to approve the October Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

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

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by N. Clark and seconded by B. J. Clark to approve all special bills as submitted:

Land of Lincoln Credit Union for \$12,488.50 for fire truck payment; Brain Clot, Inc. for \$10,277.03 for TIF reimbursement; New Wave Communications for \$30,000.00 for TIF reimbursement; Plum Concrete Creations for \$13,867.12 for Cemetery Project; R.E. Pedrotti Co., Inc. for \$1,870.00 to replace level sensor at raw water intake well at Water Plant; Brenntag Mid South Inc. for \$7,761.17 for chemicals at Water Plant; Direct Energy Business for \$6,857.10 for electricity at Water and Sewer Plants. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2014-12-1-A:  
MAKING ANNUAL TAX LEVY  
FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING  
ON FIRST DAY OF MAY 2014,  
AND ENDING ON THE THIR-  
TIETH DAY OF APRIL 2015:

It was moved by Stunkel and seconded by N. Clark to approve Ordinance 2014-12-1-A, Making The Annual Tax Levy For The Fiscal Year Beginning On The First Day Of May 2014, And Ending On The Thirtieth Day of April 2015.

It was noted that there was no increase to the public.

Roll call vote: Lester, yea; N. Clark, yea; Hobler, yea; Crawford, yea; Stunkel, yea; B. Clark, yea; and Swarm, yea. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT  
WITH MUNICIPAL CODE  
CORPORATION TO UPDATE  
CITY'S MUNICIPAL CODE  
BOOK:

It was moved by N. Clark and Stunkel seconded the motion to approve the quote from Municode for approximately \$1,890.00 to update the City's Ordinance Code Books. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2014-12-1-B:  
ABATING TAX LEVY REQUIRE-  
MENTS OF ORDINANCE NO.  
2007-4-16-A:

It was moved by N. Clark and seconded by B.J. Clark to approve Ordinance 2014-12-1-B, an Ordinance To Abate The Tax Levy Requirements Of Ordinance No. 2007-4-16-A. This is an annual ordinance prepared by the City Attorney.

Roll call vote: N. Clark, yea; Stunkel, yea; B. J. Clark, yea; Swarm, yea; Hobler, yea; Lester, yea and Crawford, yea. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF WATER &  
SEWER COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES OF  
NOVEMBER 17, 2014:

B. J. Clark moved and Stunkel seconded to accept the minutes of the November, 17, 2014 Water & Sewer Committee. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ZONING  
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS  
MEETING MINUTES OF  
NOVEMBER 19, 2014:

It was moved by N. Clark and seconded by Crawford to approve the November 19, 2014 Zoning Board Of Adjustments Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

BIDS FOR TWO NEW  
POLICE SQUAD CARS;

Chief Ray explained to the Council the need for two new squad cars, with one to be a replacement for the wrecked squad car. The other will be purchased with drug bust money.

Due to a variation in the bids, Swarm requested the Public Safety Committee meet with Chief Ray and Mayor Gottman to go over the bids. Swarm moved and Hobler seconded. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION TO  
REPLACE WELL LEVEL  
SENSOR FOR RAW WATER  
INTAKE:

Swarm moved and N. Clark seconded a motion to approve a quote from R.E. Pedrotti Co., Inc. for the replacement of the ultrasonic level sensor for the raw water intake well. Cost is \$1,870.00. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION OF  
CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR  
CEMETERY MAINTENANCE  
FACILITY:

N. Clark made a motion and B.J. Clark seconded the motion to authorize Change Order #2 from Plum Concrete Creations for the Cemetery Maintenance Building. This is an increase of \$3,722.00.

There were some remaining funds that they were able to use for extras on the project; such as concrete aprons, security lights, mop sink in the office and replacing poor soil under the foundation. The project is almost complete. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY  
PAY ESTIMATE #3 FOR  
CEMETERY MAINTENANCE  
FACILITY TO PLUM CON-  
CRETE CREATIONS:

N. Clark moved and Stunkel seconded to approve payment of Pay Estimate #3 to Plum Concrete Creations in the amount of \$13,867.12 for the Cemetery Facility Project. This includes Change Order #2. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2014-12-1-C:  
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION  
OF EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT  
WITH MARLIN FILER:

It was moved by Stunkel and seconded by B. J. Clark to approve Resolution 2014-12-1-C, Authorizing Execution Of An Employment Contract Between City of Vandalia and Marlin Filer for the position of Director of Public Works. Filer's salary will be the same as the Water and Sewer Plant Superintendents. Motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEE  
REPORTS:

Mayor Gottman informed the Council that he is attempting to fill the Alderman position by the next meeting.

Stunkel made a motion to amend the TIF application to require three bids instead of only two. This would give more itemized information for the TIF Committee to evaluate the applications. Hobler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Council approved a request to contact Ameren Illinois and IDOT to install a street light at Veteran's Avenue and Rock Island.

Mayor Gottman announced that a realtor contacted him recently with interest from a prospective business in a parcel of property in the West Interchange area.

Crawford questioned why Axess Network was still being paid? Gottman answered that the Committee is working to get the website up and running.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS:

Swarm informed the Council that he has received a complaint of no handicap accessibility at the South side of the City Hall and sidewalks in the area of Fayette County Hospital.

N. Clark commended the Vandalia Police Department for their "Shop With a Cop" Program to promote good relationships between the youth and the Police. He encouraged the public to contribute to this program.

COUNCIL MOVES INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:00 P.M.:

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Swarm to move into Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. regarding pending litigation under Section 5/ILCS120/2.

Roll call vote: Lester, yea; N. Clark, yea; Crawford, yea; Swarm, yea; B. J. Clark, yea; Hobler, yea and Stunkel, yea. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDS AT 9:03 P.M.:

Executive Session ended at 9:03 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION RECONVENES AT 9:05 P.M.:

Mayor Gottman reconvened the regular council meeting at 9:05 p.m. with a roll call: Hobler, yea; Crawford, yea; N. Clark, yea; Swarm, yea; B. J. Clark, yea; Lester, yea and Stunkel, yea.

ADJOURNMENT:

With nothing to report from Executive Session a motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Hobler to adjourn. Motion carried.













