

CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

September 2, 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, Beesley, Lester, B. J. Clark, N. Clark, Hobler and Crawford. Stunkel was absent.

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

A moment of silence was observed for Kathryn "Katie" Schukar, former business owner, community volunteer, and Mother of employee Rob Schukar; for Larrey Gale, employee of Wildlands Outdoor Equipment; and for Bob Dugan, former Vandalia teacher and real estate appraiser for the First National Bank.

MINUTES:

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

REGULAR BILLS:

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

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by N. Clark and seconded by Beesley to approve all special bill as submitted:

Timmermann & Co. in the amount of \$31,500.00 for the annual audit; JTC Petroleum in the amount of \$104,871.08 for annual oiling of City streets; Centraz Industries for \$2,880.00 for sewer solvent; ADS Electric Corp. in the amount of \$10,516.10 for electrical services; for Brenntag Mid South, Inc. for \$16,592.91 for chemicals for Water Plant; Hawkins, Inc. in the amount of \$4,079.68 for chemicals at Water Plant; WTR Solutions for \$36,400.00 for equipment at Sewer Plant and Vandevanter Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$6,748.00 for annual maintenance contracts at Sewer Plant. Motion carried.

ANNUAL AUDIT
PRESENTED:

Dale Timmermann and Trisha Elam of Timmermann & Co. presented and explained the City's annual audit for 2013-2014. They reported that overall, the City's financial condition is good, but can change quickly with large expenditures.

Trisha Elam presented the "Calculation Of Annual Adjustment In Water And Sewer Rates" for the year ending 04/30/2014. Based on a decrease in Water and Sewer Plant expenses for the past year, they recommended no raise in Water and Sewer rates.

Mayor Gottman thanked Dale, Trisha and their staff for the professional services they have provided the City over the years.

Beesley moved and Hobler seconded to accept the annual audit as presented. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VANDALIA
TOURISM COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES:

It was moved by Swarm and seconded by Crawford to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2014 Vandalia Tourism Commission Meeting. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL
AND TIF ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES:

N. Clark moved and B. John Clark seconded to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2014 Council and TIF Advisory Committee Meeting. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ZONING
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS
MEETING MINUTES:

It was moved by Hobler and seconded by Beesley to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2014 Zoning Board of Adjustments Meeting. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2014-9-2-A:
AUTHORIZING ADDENDUM
TO MUTUAL AID BOX ALARM
SYSTEM AGREEMENT:

A motion was made by B. John Clark and seconded by N. Clark to approve Ordinance 2014-9-2-A Authorizing Addendum To The Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Agreement for the Fire Department. This is an update that is required annually.

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

ORDINANCE 2014-9-2-B:
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING
A FINAL PLAT FOR MATTES
SUBDIVISION:

Hobler made a motion and Beesley seconded the motion to accept Ordinance 2014-9-2-B, An Ordinance Approving A Final Plat For Mattes Subdivision, as recommended by the Planning Commission.

Voting by Roll Call: N. Clark, yea; Swarm, yea; Crawford, yea; Beesley, yea; Hobler, yea; Lester, yea and B. Clark, yea. Stunkel was absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2014-9-2-C:
RESOLUTION APPROVING
MEMORANDUM OF UNDER-
STANDING BETWEEN THE
CITY AND FOP VANDALIA
LODGE NO. 111:

Swarm made the motion and N. Clark seconded to accept Resolution 2014-9-2-C, a Resolution Approving A Memorandum Of Understanding Between The City of Vandalia And FOP Vandalia Lodge No.111. This Resolution will increase the probation period for newly hired Police Officers from six months to one year.

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

ORDINANCE 2014-9-2-D:
APPROVING TAX INCREMENT
DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE CITY AND
VANDALIA RAILROAD CO.:

A motion was made by N. Clark and seconded by B. John Clark approving Ordinance 2014-9-2-D, A Tax Increment Development Agreement Between The City of Vandalia and Vandalia Railroad Company, not to exceed \$17,834.84.

Voting by Roll Call: Swarm, yea; N. Clark, yea; Beesley, yea; Hobler, nay; B. Clark, yea; Lester, yea; Crawford, yea and Stunkel, absent. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL,
FINANCE AND INSURANCE
COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES:

A motion was made by B. Clark and seconded by Swarm approving the Minutes from the August 28, 2014 Personnel, Finance And Insurance Committee Meeting. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION FOR
BOARD OF POLICE AND
FIRE COMMISSIONERS
TO HIRE POLICE OFFICER:

Upon recommendation of the Personnel, Finance and Insurance Committee, the Council authorized the Board Of Police And Fire Commissioners to hire a Police Officer from the current "Eligibility List". That will allow the Investigator position to be full-time. It was moved by Swarm and seconded by B. Clark to approve the recommendation.

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

AUTHORIZATION TO
ADVERTISE POSITION
FOR PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT:

Alderman Beesley moved and Hobler seconded to approve the advertising for a Public Works Department employee to fill the vacancy that will be left when Steve Sparks retires.

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

ORDINANCE 2014-9-2-E:
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION
OF CONTRACT BETWEEN
DENNIS AND DEBBIE
GRUBAUGH AND THE CITY:

It was moved by N. Clark and seconded by B. Clark to approve Ordinance 2014-9-2-E, authorizing a contract between Dennis and Debbie Grubaugh and the City. This contract will prohibit parking or loitering after hours on the parking lot the Grubaughs own on Eighth Street.

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

ORDINANCE APPROVING
A CERTAIN TAX INCREMENT
DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN CITY OF VANDALIA
AND DENNIS GRUBAUGH:
ORDINANCE FAILED:

Hobler moved and Crawford seconded the motion for a 3 year TIF agreement with Dennis Grubaugh for roof replacement on his building on Veteran's Avenue.

Voting by Roll Call: Beesley, nay; Hobler, yea; Swarm, yea; N. Clark, nay; B. Clark, nay; Lester, nay; Crawford, nay and Stunkel, absent. Motion failed.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

B. John Clark reported that the recent Lion's Club Car Show held at Vandalia Lake August 30th had around 47 entries, even with bad weather.

B. John Clark complimented the staff of the Fayette County Hospital for the wonderful care he received when he was a patient recently.

N. Clark informed the Council that the foundation was completed and they will start on the new Cemetery building Thursday, September 4th.

Alderman Lester announced that the Railroad and Industrial Development Committee had met and discussed the renewal of the contract with Buxton for their services. It will be voted on at the September 15 Council Meeting.

Paslay announced that "Lincoln Hits The Road" will be presented in Vandalia this weekend and invited everyone to come to the "Lincoln Road Trip" on Saturday, September 6th 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the State House.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND
CONCERNS:

Mayor Gottman announced that the July 2014 Unemployment rate for Fayette County is 8.6%, down from 10.5% in July of 2013.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no other action to come before the City Council, Beesley moved and N. Clark seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.