

CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

September 21, 2015
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:

Swarm, Hubler, Rebbe, Lester, Stunkel, Hobler, Crawford and B. John Clark.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Hobler approving the minutes from the September 14, 2015 as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

A motion was made by B. John Clark and seconded by Stunkel approving the regular bills as submitted. Motion carried.

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by Stunkel approving the Special Bills as submitted: Mark Boelling in the amount of \$1,560.00 for mowing; Direct Energy in the amount of \$19,881.89 for electric; Due North Consulting, Inc. in the amount of \$2,800.000 for full page ad for tourism; Vandalia Asphalt in the amount of \$2,548.80 for patch mix; Mike & JoEllen Wehrle in the amount of \$25,000.00 for TIF reimbursement; MikeJo, LLC in the amount of \$5,819.42 for TIF reimbursement; Robert M. Johnson in the amount of \$ 1,733.39 for TIF reimbursement; Vandalia Community Unit Schools in the amount of \$65,000.00 (final payment); Rick Cripe in the amount of \$11,244.06 for

TIF reimbursement; Mark G. Brunk in the amount of \$7,434.64 for TIF reimbursement; Razmus Demolition in the amount of \$31,268.00 for demolition of buildings on Fifth & Gallatin St.; ESI Consultants Ltd. In the amount of \$2,225.00 for a 2nd inspection on the downtown building collapse; Mike Wehrle in the amount of \$3,535.95 for TIF reimbursement; Kevin & Jessica Satterwaite in the amount of \$7,559.77 for TIF reimbursement; Brenntag Mid South, Inc. in the amount of \$12,589.11 for chemicals; Kaskaskia Springs Water Company in the amount of \$2,528.06 for 34 days @ 150000 GPD x .40 per thousand gal. "energy pass thru"; Luby Equipment Services in the amount of \$2,301.01 for generator switch repairs. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by B. John Clark to add a bill from Plum Concrete Creations in the amount of \$4,954.40 for the Water Treatment Plant concrete tank strengthening. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A motion was made by B. John Clark and seconded by Stunkel approving the Treasurer's Report to be filed for audit. Motion carried.

**TRANSFER OF LAKE LOT #154
FROM ROB & VICKY BLACKERBY
TO DAVID & MARCI BARTH:**

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by B. John Clark approving the Lake Lot #154 transfer from Rob & Vicky Blackerby, Vandalia to David & Marci Barth, Vandalia. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF TOURISM
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
FROM 8/11/15:**

A motion was made by Crawford and seconded by Swarm approving the Tourism Minutes from August 11, 2015 as presented. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2015-9-21-A:
AGREEMENT FOR GRANT WRITING
SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF
VANDALIA & SOUTH CENTRAL IL
REGIONAL PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

A motion was made Swarm and seconded by Crawford approving Resolution #2015-9-21-A, Approving An Agreement For Grant Writing Services Between The City of Vandalia and South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development Commission.

The SCIRPDC will assist the city with the preparation of applications for U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development grants for the police department as well as the fire department.

Chief Ray said the police department will seek a grant that will help pay for a new squad car.

The fire department will seek a grant that will help pay for new air tanks.

Chief Ray said the grant is still available until next spring and may require matching funds from the city.

Roll Call Vote: Hubler, yea; Swarm, yea; Stunkel, yea; Crawford, yea; Rebbe, yea; Hobler, yea; Clark, yea; Lester, yea. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #2015-9-21-B:
AMENDING CITY OF VANDALIA
MUNICIPAL CODE AT CHAPTER
15, "BUILDINGS AND
CONSTRUCTION" AT SECTION
15.25.020 WATER SYSTEM
DISCONNECTION PAYMENT
REQUIRED

A motion was made by Lester and seconded by Stunkel, adopting Ordinance #2015-9-21-B, Amending the City of Vandalia Municipal Code At Chapter 15, *Buildings And Construction* At Section 15.25.020 Water System Disconnection Payment Required.

Only the Public Works Department of the City of Vandalia shall disconnect a private water system from the Public Water System. A request for disconnection shall be made in writing to the Building and Zoning Department of the City of Vandalia. Upon receipt

of said request the Public Works Dept. of the City of Vandalia shall perform the disconnection at *no charge to the property owner*.

Roll Call Vote: Swarm, yea; Hobler, nay; Stunkel, yea; Hubler, yea; Rebbe, yea; Crawford, yea; Lester, yea; B. John Clark, yea. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION FOR MAYOR TO SIGN "WAIVER OF LIABILITY" FOR 127 WEST MADISON STREET:

A motion was made by Swarm and seconded by B. John Clark giving Mayor Gottman authorization to sign a "Waiver of Liability" for property at 127 West Madison to remove a fallen tree.

The city is trying to help the family owning the property clean it up.

The council was in favor of doing so. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Gottman reported that Razmus Demolition Service is hoping to wrap up their work shortly. They are getting ready to back fill and then seed and straw the area.

Mayor Gottman said they did have to perform some asbestos removal about \$12,000 of asbestos.

Mayor Gottman said, the next thing to look at is what we are going to do to help the building owners with the walls of their buildings that were adjacent to the demolished buildings.

Mayor Gottman reported that The Turning Leaf opened Saturday, September 19th at 513 W. Gallatin St.

The Flower Sack Bakery is now opened at 529 W. Orchard St.

CLERK' S REPORT:

City Clerk Peggy Bowen reported that the City of Vandalia received their 1st installment of real estate taxes from the county.

STANDING COMMITTEE' S:

Swarm reported that he met with Mark Augenstein this afternoon in regard to a levy collapse.

Augenstein will have Ronnie Smith come down and take a look at it to see if he can fix it.

Mayor Gottman reported that the City of Vandalia is still working with Project House.

Crawford reported that Tourism Commission will be sponsoring the Harvest Festival this coming weekend.

Friday evening is the ham and bean dinner starting at 5:00 P.M. The Ministerial Alliance will be sponsoring the dinner.

The ABATE Bike Show will be held on Saturday.

The Little Miss & Mister Pageant Show is also on Saturday along with a Talent Show.

Mayor Gottman announced that a new brochure from Vandalia Tourism is available for any of the businesses.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by B. John Clark to adjourn. Motion carried.
