

CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

August 19, 2019
6:30 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 6:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Aldermen present were: Brosman, Barker, Stunkel, Hobler, Lester, Hubler, Rebbe & Crawford.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Hobler approving the minutes from the August 5, 2019 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

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

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Barker approving the Special Bills as presented: Ameren Illinois in the amount of \$20,552.62 for electric; SCIRP&DC in the amount of \$2,500.00 for PY-2019 Community Development Block Grant; Stalker Radar in the amount of \$2,514.00 for DSR Enhanced Counting Unit & Modular Display for the Police Department; ADS Electric Corp. in the amount of \$8,255.00 for maintenance to street lights; South Central FS in the amount of \$10,250.41 for gasoline; Coe Equipment Inc. in the amount of \$2,222.00 for Highlighter Pro, AMB/WHT/AMB, LED Micropulse 12 LED IN 6 Head Housing; Brenntag Mid South,

Inc. in the amount of \$3,577.45 for chemical supplies; Hawkins, Inc. in the amount of \$6,306.21 for activated carbon; Kaskaskia Springs Water in the amount of \$3,189.33 for 6.063 million delivered & energy pass thru for water; Triple S Tree Service in the amount of \$2,750.00 for cutting three trees down at the Vandalia Country Club and one tree at 115 Main Street . Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A motion was made Hobler and seconded by Stunkel approving the Treasurer's Report for audit. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #2019-8-19-A:
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT &
COMMITMENT OF LOCAL FUNDS:**

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Barker Approving Resolution 2019-8-9-A, Support & Commitment of Local Funds.

The City of Vandalia is applying to the State of Illinois for a Community Development Block Grant.

Roll Call: Barker, yea; Hubler, yea; Lester, yea; Stunkel, yea; Hobler, yea; Brosman, yea. Rebbe, yea; Crawford, yea. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF LAKE COMMITTEE
MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Hobler approving the Lake Committee Meeting Minutes from July 15, 2019 as submitted. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE STREET
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
FROM JULY 29, 2019:**

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Barker approving the Street Committee Meeting Minutes from July 29, 2019 as submitted. Motion carried.

**APPOINTMENT OF MEG MARQUARDT
TO LAKE COMMITTEE:**

A motion was made by Barker and seconded by Stunkel approving the appointment of Meg Marquardt to the Vandalia Lake Committee. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE #2019-8-19-B: AN
ORDINANCE AMENDING SALARIES
FOR FISCAL YEAR MAY 1, 2019-
APRIL 30, 2020**

A motion was made by Lester and seconded by Hubler Amending Ordinance #2019-8-18-B, Amending salaries for Fiscal Year May 1, 2019-April 30, 2020.

Roll call: Barker, yea; Hubler, yea; Stunkel, yea; Crawford, yea; Rebbe, yea; Hobler, yea; Lester, yea; Brosman, yea. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #2019-8-19-C:
APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF
VANDALIA, ILLINOIS & RETAIL
STRATEGIES, LLC**

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Barker Approving Resolution #2019-8-19-C, An Agreement For Economic Development Services Between The City of Vandalia, Illinois And Retail Strategies, LLC.

The City of Vandalia is employing RS to provide access to their program that allows the City of Vandalia to access important documents in economic development. The reports are kept current and provide critical information that are requested by potential developers.

Compensation for the consultation services provided by Consultant, the City of Vandalia agrees to a total of \$15,000.

Roll Call Vote: Barker, yea; Brosman, yea; Crawford, yea; Stunkel, yea; Hobler, yea; Rebbe, nay; Lester, yea; Hubler, yea. Motion carried. 7 yea and 1 nay.

RESOLUTION #2019-8-19-D:
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN
EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT BETWEEN
THE CITY OF VANDALIA AND
ANDREW GELSINGER

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Barker authorizing the hiring of Andrew Gelsinger as the Water Plant Superintendent.

The term of this agreement shall be from August 24, 2019 through and including May 3, 2021.

The salary for this position is \$60,000.00 for a fiscal year.

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

ORDINANCE #2019-8-19-E:
AMENDING THE
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT
OF THE VANDALIA-FAYETTE
COUNTY ENTERPRISE ZONE

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Stunkel Adopting Ordinance #2019-8-19E, Amending The Intergovernmental Agreement Of the Vandalia-Fayette County Enterprise Zone.

This will also include an extension of the zone to include an area of a proposed solar farm in the rural Ramsey area.

It was unanimous amongst the aldermen to approve said ordinance. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #2019-8-19-F:
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
ORDINANCE No. 2017-10-16-A
TO ADD TERRITORY TO THE
VANDALIA-FAYETTE COUNTY
ENTERPRISE ZONE BY THE
ACTION OF THE CITY OF
VANDALIA, IL

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Barker Adopting Ordinance 2019-8-19-F, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 2017-10-16-A, To Add Territory To The Vandalia-Fayette County Enterprise Zone By The Action Of The City of Vandalia, IL

It was unanimous amongst the aldermen to approve said ordinance. Motion carried.

MAYOR' S REPORT:

A motion was made by Lester and seconded by Brosman approving an organizational flow chart for city employees, department heads and elected officials. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Barker to set Trick or Treat Night for the City of Vandalia for October 26th from 6:00-8:00 P.M. Motion carried.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR:

Paslay reported that Vandalia Night @ The Gateway Grizzlies Ballpark will be held on Saturday, August 31, 2019.

The first 200 people will receive an Abe Lincoln/Vandalia Bicentennial Bobblehead.

Paslay showed the council what the plaque will look like for the vet markers. They discovered that they needed 78 markers at the Old Cemetery She has been seeking donations and right now they have 19 remaining to have sponsors for. To do one is \$25.00. If you are interested in sponsoring one please drop a check off at City Hall or you can contact Dorothy Donelley.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Barker reported that the city had a water main break on Eighth & Gochenour Street.

He also reported that a new line was installed on First Street and another one repaired on First Street.

Barker reported that the Public Works Department is changing out the old signs with new ones, in between rains trying to keep up with the mowing.

Barker also reported on the fence that will go across by the parking lot is about ready to be installed.

Barker also reported that they will be installing a manhole on Burtschi Street soon.

Mayor Gottman praised Marty Huskey and his team on that water break. He had Marty expedite that testing by taking it to Centralia and got it back quickly.

Stunkel reported that a storm hit out by Vandalia Lake on Saturday morning. There was no damage to any of the campers.

Stunkel also spoke on the possibility of more water front lots at the lake.

Mayor Gottman reported on the fire calls that the Vandalia Fire Department received in the month of July. Training hours were 168 and the fire department received 6 calls.

COUNCIL CONCERNS:

Stunkel suggested that the city council consider opening up the sale of liquor to businesses other than the package liquor stores.

Mayor Gottman said that if you decide to do this we will have to give it to every convenience store in town and every grocery store.

Crawford said what she hears the most from passers through, "are you literally the only Walmart in the country without a liquor license?"

Andy Lester was also open to discussing the topic. He is willing to listen to the pros & cons.

Crawford said that she thought it was time to look at it.

Mayor Gottman said that Walmart will be the first to get one, because they were the first to request a license.

The issue was referred to the Economic Development Committee for further discussion.

Mayor Gottman said that if the council decides to do this, the license will be more than a \$1,000.00, in his opinion.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Hobler to adjourn. Motion carried.

CITY CLERK

