

CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

July 6, 2020
6:30 P.M.

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: Barker, Hobler, Stunkel, Hubler, Brosman and Lester. Crawford and Rebbe were absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was given by those in attendance.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Hobler approving the minutes from the June 15, 2020 meeting as presented.

REGULAR BILLS:

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Barker 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: Civic Systems, LLC in the amount of \$5,806.00 for Semi-Annual Support on software; McKellar Robertson McCarty & Click in the amount of \$2,587.00 for insurance on the boiler; New Wave Communications in the amount of \$2,994.00 for agreement with the Fayette Co. Sheriff's Office; Land of Lincoln Credit Union in the amount of \$7,000.00 for July payment on the sewer vac; Ameren Illinois in the amount of \$1,782.25 for street lights; Milano & Grunloh Engineering in the

amount of \$3,948.50 for Octochem sewer re-routing design engineering; U.S. Bancorp in the amount of \$14,781.19 for water meters; Milano & Grunloh Engineering in the amount of \$9,479.25 for inspection for watermain replacement project; Brenntag Mid-South Inc. in the amount of \$7,604.13 for robinfloc Chlorine; Hawkins, Inc. in the amount of \$5,273.76 for activated carbon; Holmes Radiator Service in the amount of \$2,663.36 for a new complete radiator; Motion carried.

VANDALIA CITY COUNCIL WORK
SESSION MINUTES (6/22/20):

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Barker approving the Vandalia City Council Work Session Minutes from the June 22, 2020 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

REAPPOINTMENT OF LARRY
HOFFEK TO THE POLICE
PENSION BOARD (2020-2024):

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Hobler approving the appointment of Larry Hoffek to the Police Pension Board from 2020-2024. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #2020-7-6-A:
AMENDING THE VANDALIA
MUNICIPAL CODE AT TITLE V
BUSINESS LICENSES AND
REGULATIONS AT SECTION
5.08.070 NUMBER OF LICENSES

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Brosman Approving Ordinance #2020-7-6-A, Amending the Vandalia Municipal Code at Title V Business Licenses And Regulations At Section 5.08.070 Number of Licenses. Howie's On Main did not renew their liquor license for 2020-2021. Not more than Nine (9) Class E Licenses shall be currently in effect at any one time.

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

ORDINANCE #2020-7-6-B:
AMENDING THE VANDALIA
MUNICIPAL CODE AT TITLE V
BUSINESS LICENSES AND
REGULATIONS AT SECTION
5.08.070 NUMBER OF LICENSES

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Barker Approving Ordinance #2020-7-6-B, Amending The Vandalia Municipal Code At Title V Business Licenses And Regulations At Section 5.08.070 Number of Licenses. The Old Capitol Post #3862 VFW did not renew their liquor license for 2020-2021. Not more than Three (3) Class C-2 Licenses shall be currently in effect at any one time.

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

ORDINANCE #2020-7-6-C:
AMENDING THE VANDALIA
MUNICIPAL CODE AT TITLE V
BUSINESS LICENSES AND
REGULATION AT SECTION 5.38
MOBILE FOOD VENDORS

A motion was made by Barker and seconded by Hobler after Brosman asked for clarification on a section of the ordinance pertaining to distance from a restaurant. The ordinance was amended to say "no mobile food unit shall park, stand or operate in a location which is adjacent to or within 10 feet of the property line of a restaurant. The phrase "property line" replaced the phrase "address point" after the Council and City Attorney Connor determined that "address point" could be deemed a bit confusing as far as would that mean front door of the restaurant or another point on the property.

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

ORDINANCE #2020-7-6-D:
ORDINANCE RATIFYING
ACCEPTANCE OF A PURCHASE
OPTION OF JUNE 30, 2020

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Stunkel Approving Ordinance #2020-7-6-D, Ratifying Acceptance Of A Purchase Option Of June 30, 2020.

Mayor Gottman accepted an Option to Purchase certain real estate, such purchase option to effectuate the City's grant application for certain funding related to the Water Plant project and based upon the matter having first come to the City's attention on June 23, 2020 and required submission by June 30, 2020.

The Option to Purchase Real Estate between Walt & Paula Barenfanger and the City of Vandalia.

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

APPROVE OR REJECT PAY
ESTIMATE #3 FOR WATERMAIN
PROJECT (\$152,533.29)

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Barker approving Pay Estimate #3 For Watermain Project in the amount of \$152,533.29. Motion carried.

FARMERS' MARKET MEETING
MINUTES:

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Barker approving the minutes from the Farmers' Market Meetings submitted. Motion carried.

APPROVE OR REJECT BID FOR
CITY LEASE CAR:

A motion was made by Stunkel and Brosman approving the only bid from Arthur Young, Inc. for a lease vehicle. Through the three-year lease agreement, the city will pay \$412.24 a month for a 2020 Chevrolet Equinox LT AWD.

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

AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE 2
EZ VALVES (6"):

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Barker to purchase 2 6" EZ Valve Insertion in the amount of \$11,600.00 from MB Construction, Monticello, MO. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Gottman reported that the 1st Farmers' Market will take place this Saturday, July 11th from 8 am-1pm on Fourth Street.

Vandalia Historical Society will be having an event on Friday, July 10th from 4 pm-7 pm. Those that will participate will be Vandalia Tourism Center & Fayette County Art Connection; National Road Interpretive Center and the Fayette County Museum.

Mayor Gottman reported that you will find the draft budget paperwork. Mayor Gottman said that most departments are looking pretty good. Some departments will still have to cut their spending. Meetings will be held with department heads, the committee chairs, the city administrator and Mayor Gottman.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT:

City Clerk Peggy Bowen said in the middle of March due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the city decided to suspend late fees and shut-offs. This grace period covered March, April, May & June.

Effective today, we will start doing shut-offs and penalties will be added to late bills.

Some of our water customers have not paid their bill since February so now some have a \$300.00 and even a \$500.00 water bill.

We will see how the past due accounts come in and if not a list of the overdue accounts will be sent to our City Attorney in attempt to have the owed money recouped through the courts.

Bowen also mentioned that we can send the overdue accounts to Illinois Department of Revenue (the IDROP Department) then when someone who owes the city money files their income tax, the state will give the city a share of that person's income tax refund.

Hobler asked whether it would be more cost-effective to turn them over to IDROP, instead of paying the City Attorney to try to seek payment.

Connor said that many of those overdue accounts are handled at the same time, and the city is charged for time spent on each case, not individually for each case.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Barker reported along with the heat there were several water breaks last week. All of those have been taken care of.

Barker publicly thanked Chief Jeff Ray for cleaning up the damage done at Lincoln Park. It is still under investigation.

Mayor Gottman publicly thanked Kim Lake, at the Statehouse for bringing over some supplies to get it cleaned up.

Slack Glass Came by to take a look at the front office to see how glass petitions will be installed. There is a waiting list but as soon as we can get things installed we will be opening back up to the public.

Stunkel reported that there was a very good turn out at Vandalia Lake for the Fourth of July Celebration.

Stunkel thought we may have to look at a couple larger dumpsters on the northside of the lake.

In economic development, Mayor Gottman said that there are two projects being worked on at this time.

Mayor Gottman did mention that two businesses have closed in Vandalia.

Mayor Gottman did report that he was admitted to Barnes Hospital in St. Louis. He had major eye surgery in his left eye. He went back to the doctor today and at this time things are stable.

The council's thoughts and prayers go out to Mayor Gottman. We wish him a speedy recovery.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being nothing further to discuss a motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Hubler to adjourn. Motion carried.


CITY CLERK