

CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

December 21, 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.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

ROLL CALL:

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

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

A moment of silence was observed for Terry Brown, former business owner; Frank Croasdale, husband of former City Clerk Norma Croasdale and Marilyn Beyes who was very instrumental with the Fayette County Museum.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Brosman approving the minutes from December 7, 2020 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR BILLS:

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Brosman 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: Taylor Law Offices in the amount of \$4,631.50 for Legal fees for Vandalia Lake; Octochem, Inc. in the amount of \$84,744.50 for TIF Reimbursement; Milano & Grunloh Engineering in the

amount of \$7,636.00 for design of Water Plant; Coe Equipment in the amount of \$16,310.47 for a Vanguard Pathogen Defense System, Stainless Steel; Centraz Industries, Inc. in the amount of \$3,660.00; Brenntag in the amount of \$10,117.61 for chemicals; Hawkins, Inc. in the amount of \$4,796.23 for activated carbon; Ameren Illinois in the amount of \$13,673.87 for electric. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

AN ORDINANCE ABATING THE TAX LEVY REQUIREMENTS OF ORDINANCE # 2016-9-19-D (GO BONDS)

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Barker Adopting Ordinance #2020-12-21-A, Abating the Tax Levy Requirements of Ordinance #2016-9-19-D (GO Bonds).

Mayor Gottman noted that the city had not increased the tax levy for several years and thanked the city employees and the council for their hard work that allowed the city to not have to raise the tax levy.

Mayor Gottman said that they have been able to take the money they have needed for police pension out of the gaming revenue and the general fund.

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

**RESOLUTION #2020-12-21-B:
ADOPTION OF THE FAYETTE CO.
MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL ALL
HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN**

A motion was made by Barker and seconded by Stunkel Approving Resolution #2020-12-21-B, Adoption Of The Fayette county Multi-Jurisdictional All Hazards Mitigation Plan.

This will fulfill FEMA requirements of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 that calls for a mitigation plan be in place should the city ever need to be the recipient of future mitigation funding if it ever experiences any natural or man-made hazards which the resolution states include "severe thunderstorms, severe winter storms, floods, tornadoes and drought among others."

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

PATHOGEN DEFENSE SYSTEM FOR
SEWER VAC TRUCK (CURES
FUNDED)

A motion was made by Barker and seconded by Brosman approving the purchase of a Pathogen Defense System for the sewer vac truck in the amount of \$16,310.47. Motion carried.

APPROVE OR REJECT BIDS FOR
ROOF REPLACEMENT ON SEWER
PLANT FILTER BUILDING:

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Lester approving the low bid from Westendorf Construction in the amount of \$5,640.00 for the replacement of the roof at the Sewer Plant filter building. Motion carried.

The city received one other bid from Genesis Property Improvement, Inc. in the amount of \$5,870.30.

COVID-19:

Mayor Gottman provided everyone with a CDC guidelines for the coronavirus disease 2019.

The city follows the guidelines by maintaining a 6' distance, wearing a mask and frequent washing of hands.

MAYORS REPORT:

Mayor Gottman attended an IML Board Meeting in Springfield last week.

Mayor Gottman brought back the 2021 State Legislative Agenda for the elected officials to review.

Mayor Gottman reported that the city had several water leaks over the past two weeks. Hats off to the Public Works Department for the good work.

Mayor Gottman reported that the old hospital will be taken down the end of the week along with the white house at 820 N. Eight St. for future development.

CITY CLERK:

Clerk Peggy Bowen reported that today was the last day to file for the Consolidated Election in April 2021.

A lottery will be held to determine ballot placement for the Consolidation Election. We will do this on Monday, December 28th at 9:00 am.

In that lottery will be Incumbent Ricky Gottman and Alex Sasse for Mayor. Cinde Carroll, Barri Forehand, Carla Huhn and Kara Metzger for City Clerk.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Barker publicly thanked the Public Works Department for keeping the water breaks fixed and the day to day operations.

A copy of the Code Official's Monthly Report is in your packet.

A copy of the Fire Department hours (140) of training and 8 calls for the month of November were included in your packet.

A copy of the Engineers Update for December was also included in your packet.

Atlas 46 is moving forward. They closed on their building in the past week.

COUNCIL MOVES INTO
EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:53
PM:

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Barker to move into Executive Session to discuss the sale or inquiry of property under 5 ILCS 120/2. Also on an update on litigation with the city that is not ready for release at this time.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDS AT
7:50 PM:

Executive Session ends at 7:50 PM.

REGULAR SESSION RECONVENES
AT 7:52 PM:

Mayor Gottman reconvened the regular council meeting at 7:52 PM with a roll call. Lester, yea; Brosman, yea; Stunkel, yea; Barker, yea; Hubler, yea; Rebbe, yea.

NO ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE
SESSION:

There was no action taken from Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

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


CITY CLERK