

CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

April 19, 2021
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 all present.

ROLL CALL:

Lester, Brosman, Rebbe, Hobler, Stunkel, Barker, Crawford and Hubler.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded Hobler approving the minutes from the April 5, 2021 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.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

SPECIAL BILLS:

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Crawford approving the Special Bills as listed: Ford & Harrison, LLP in the amount of \$3,915.00 for general employment matters; Nutrien Ag Solutions in the amount of \$1,625.00 for Weedmaster herbicide; Map N Tech, LLC in the amount of \$1,800.00 for advertising and marketing; South Central FS in the amount of \$2,738.08 for fuel& tires for Police Dodge Durango; Horst

Enterprises in the amount of \$6,725.00 for sidewalk improvements on Tower & South Eighth; Milano & Grunloh Engineering in the amount of \$4,140.43 for engineering fees; Vandalia City garage in the amount of \$1,518.50 for Brenntag Mid South, Inc. in the amount of \$7,442.00 for robinfloc; Hawkins, Inc. in the amount of \$6,429.96 for activated carbon; Ameren Illinois in the amount of \$4,882.71 for electric; Kaskaskia Springs Water Co. in the amount of \$2,550.80 for 6.377 million gals. Of water. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MFT MATERIAL
LETTING-APRIL 12, 2021:

A motion was made by Barker and seconded by Stunkel approving the MFT Material Letting Bids from April 12, 2021 as submitted. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #2021-4-19-A
AMENDING TITLE 2
ADMINISTRATION AND
PERSONNEL, OF THE MUNICIPAL
CODE OF VANDALIA:

A motion was made by Lester and seconded by Brosman Approving Ordinance #2021-4-19-A, Amending Title 2 Administration And Personnel, Of the Municipal Code of Vandalia (*Salaries For Elected City Officers*)

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

RESOLUTION #2021-4-19-B
APPROVING A LAND LISTING
AMENDMENT BETWEEN THE CITY
OF VANDALIA, IL AND FAYETTE
COUNTY REAL ESTATE:

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Barker Approving Resolution #2021-4-19-B, A Land Listing Amendment Between The City Of Vandalia, IL And Fayette County Real Estate.

The City of Vandalia wishes to sell the property located at 414 W. Jefferson St. and 610 S. 6th St.

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

RAILROAD, ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES-
MARCH 30, 2021

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Brosman approving the Railroad, Economic Development & Tourism Committee Meeting Minutes from March 30, 2021 as submitted. Motion carried.

DOWNTOWN VANDALIA
PARTNERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
FROM FEBRUARY 22, 2021:

A motion was made by Brosman and seconded by Crawford approving the Downtown Vandalia Partnership Meeting Minutes from February 22, 2021 as submitted. Motion carried.

DOWNTOWN VANDALIA
PARTNERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
FROM MARCH 29, 2021:

A motion was made by Hubler and seconded by Crawford approving the Downtown Vandalia Partnership Meeting Minutes from March 29, 2021 as submitted. Motion carried.

APPROVE OR REJECT CHEMICAL
BIDS:

A motion was made by Hobler and seconded by Brosman approving the low bids on chemical bids for the Disposal & Water Plant. Motion carried.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS
MEETING MINUTES-APRIL 14,
2021

A motion was made by Crawford and seconded by Brosman approving the Zoning Board of Adjustments Meeting Minutes from April 14, 2021 as submitted. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Gottman announced that he will be attending the Board of Directors Meeting of the Illinois Municipal League on Wednesday and Thursday in Springfield.

The IML Summer Board Meeting will be held in Vandalia on July 15th - July 17th.

The Annual IML Meeting in Chicago will be held September 22nd-25th. For those that are interested in going to the conference should contact Mayor Gottman as soon as possible.

Dorothy Crawford was honored for her 8 years of service on the City Council. Crawford served the city from May 2013-April 2021.

Crawford was presented with a gift by Mayor Gottman which was Crawford's final meeting as a member of the City Council.

City Clerk Peggy Bowen will be retiring the last day of April after 6 terms in office. This will be Bowen's final council meeting as well.

Bowen was honored for her years of service. Bowen is the longest serving clerk for the City of Vandalia. She served the city from 1997-2021.

Mayor Gottman presented Bowen with two gifts during the meeting.

Bowen stated that it's been an honor to serve as your City Clerk for the past 24 years.

She publicly thanked the citizens of Vandalia who have supported her throughout the years.

A thank you was given to Mayor Gottman, City Administrator LaTisha Paslay & Bowen's incredible staff for all their help and support throughout the years.

The Aldermen were also praised for their part in supporting many ideas that were brought before the council for their approval over the years.

She left by saying, I want to leave you with this quote that Marc Anthony said, and it's so very true, "If You Love What You Do, You'll Never Work A Day In Your Life."

Mayor Gottman, who has served with Clerk Bowen as both an Alderman and now as Mayor for the past 20 years, says Bowen has been a great clerk for the City of Vandalia.

Clerk Bowen then introduced Carla Huhn, who was elected to take over the clerk's position on May 3rd. Congrats Carla. She stated she was eager to get started.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Brosman reviewed a few complaint forms from residents with water loss.

Stunkel reported that the Vandalia Lake is open.

Stunkel reported that a Lake Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 4th at 4:30 pm to discuss license fees for various size crafts.

Crawford mentioned that the Fayette County Bicentennial Celebration will begin on Friday, June 11th & Saturday, June 12th.

AUDIENCE:

Bruce Bowen, The Gear Head for Vandalia Car Cruise announced that on May 15th and every 3rd Saturday throughout October there will be a Vandalia Sonic Car & Motorcycle Cruise at our Sonics Drive In from 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Bruce invited everyone out with their street rods, muscle cars, motorcycles and jeeps to come and participate. Maybe at this time you don't have one, just come out and enjoy the evening, visit with good friends.

**LAST WORDS FROM ALDERWOMAN
CRAWFORD:**

Alderwoman Crawford left by saying "later" dudes & dudettes it's been a ride.

COUNCIL CONCERNS:

Brosman shared with the council a piece of mail he received from Homefield Energy. Signed City of Vandalia.

Brosman did some research and pleased to say that after awhile, I think Homefield is a good choice for us to do our municipal aggregational program with.

LAKE PROPERTY TO BE
DISCUSSED AT MAY 3RD MEETING
IN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Gottman said that he would like to have the attorney handling the lake property at the May 3rd City Council Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

THAT'S ALL FOLK'S FOR THE LAST TIME,


CITY CLERK