

City Council
Regular Meeting

January 3, 2022
6:30 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was given by all that were present.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Gottman called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Vandalia City Council to order at 6:30 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Barker, yea; Stunkel, yea; Lester, yea; Hubler, yea; Brosman, yea; Hobler, yea; Rebbe, yea. Lewey was absent.

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

A moment of silence was observed for Tammy Bowling, mother of Police Officer Jake Bowling and Roger and Betty Roe, former business owners in Fayette County.

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A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Hobler approving the minutes from the December 20, 2021 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

General Sales Tax Revenues, Infrastructure Sales Tax Revenues, Gaming Revenues, Telecommunications Tax Revenues, Cannabis Use Tax, Income Tax Revenues, Use Tax Revenues, Motor Fuel Tax Revenues and Hotel/Motel Tax Revenues were provided in packet. No action required.

REGULAR BILLS:

A motion was made by Stunkel and seconded by Barker to approve the regular bills as submitted. 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 \$5,925.00 for semi-annual/annual support fees; Pro Wire, LLC in the amount of \$1,995.00 for purchase of Chromebooks; Land of Lincoln Credit Union in the amount of \$7,000.00 for sewer vac; Ameren Illinois in the amount of \$2,240.16 for utility fees; Sandberg Phoenix in the amount of \$1,640.00 for special project fees; Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in the amount of \$22,787.56 for water revolving fund; Omnisite Corporation in the amount of \$3,969.00 for lift stations. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Paslay reported that all signed certified letter receipt cards have been returned. Gottman reported that he received information today regarding downtown lighting and will be submitting information to IDOT.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Gottman stated he met with Congressman Rodney Davis and gave him a packet outlining current projects the City is working on. The IML agenda for federal and state legislation has been finalized. Gottman will give copies to City Council at the next meeting. Chrome Books were distributed to the Aldermen and will need to be brought to each Council meeting. Packets will be electronic starting in February. He reminded Council that the Chrome Books are FOIA-able. Danielle Caruso has moved to City Administration effective January 3, 2022. Gottman stated that the Administrative team will be meeting to discuss the increase in COVID numbers and develop a plan going forward regarding City Hall.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT:

Nothing to report.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Nothing to report.

SAFETY CODE OFFICIAL REPORT:

Report included in last meeting's packet.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Bret Brosman asked about a water adjustment request that he received from a local motel. He will contact the owner and obtain additional history. Authorization was given to Brosman to act on this so the matter can move forward. There were no objections. Brosman will inform Clerk of decision. Doty's Sanitation has submitted a 5 year agreement to the City. The rates will remain the same for the next 2 years with increases in years 3, 4 and 5. The contract will be included in next meeting's packet. Stunkel reported the annual inspection was done at the Lake. A few owners were found to be noncompliant. Letters were sent to those owners addressing those issues. The CEO Class is presenting a Murder Mystery event on January 16, 2022 from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. The City has purchased a table of 8. If interested in participating, let Carla know as soon as possible. A Train Show has been scheduled for January 29, 2022 from 10:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. at the Moose Lodge. Proceeds will be used to help restore the Red Caboose. Union negotiations will begin shortly. Gottman reported that he has talked with one union representative. Gottman will contact them to see when they will be ready to begin negotiations. Police, Dispatchers and Laborers contracts will be negotiated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND
CONCERNS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Hubler and seconded by Hobler to adjourn at 6:56 p.m. Motion carried.

Carla Hubler

City Clerk