

The Council of the City of Vandalia Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Richard Herbst, Vice Mayor Robert Ahlers, Councilman Michael Blakesly, Councilman Corey M. Follick, Councilwoman Candice Farst, Councilwoman Constance Woods, and Councilman David Lewis

OTHERS PRESENT: Jerry McDonald, Daniel Wendt, Missy Pruszynski, Amber Holloway, Darren Davey, Kristen Carnes, Bridgette Leiter, Holly Wiggins, Laura Wendt, Lisa Wendt, Chief Chad Follick, Chief Kurt Althouse, Rob Cron, Lt. Ben Walker, Steve Clark, India Duke, Bob Krohngold, Russ Maas, Vicki Sucher, Kristina Sucher, Ava Sucher, Blake Sucher, Al Tuttle, Joe Dranschak, Jennie Dranschak, Mary Geiger, Sgt. J. Chiles, Rick Brunner, Amber Aivalotis-Weaver, Mike Koehl, Angela Saylor, David Anderson, Terri Anderson, Charles Geiger, Mike Erwin, Marc Erwin, Paul Anderson, Lois Anderson, David Marble, Vicki Black, Jack Shirley, Donna Shirley, Tonya Hittner, Holly Herbst, Rick Herbst, Linda Breidenbach, Steve Dent, Sarah Dent

Mayor Herbst called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Council of the City of Vandalia to order at 7:01 p.m. **Mayor Herbst** called for a moment of reflection followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Previous Minutes:

The Council Study Session Minutes of May 3, 2021, the Council Meeting Minutes of May 3, 2021, the Council Study Session Minutes of May 17, 2021, and the Council Meeting Minutes of May 17, 2021, were approved as presented.

Approval of Previous Minutes: None

Communications, Petitions and Awards:

Oath of Office – Lieutenant Brandon Sucher

Mr. Wendt advised tonight he has the pleasure of swearing in Police Lieutenant Brandon Sucher. He then introduced Chief Althouse who shared Lt. Sucher's background information. **Mr. Wendt** delivered the Oath of Office to Police Lieutenant Brandon Sucher and congratulated him on his new position. **Lieutenant Sucher** thanked Mr. Wendt. Lt. Sucher introduced his family and shared that this is a great honor for him to follow in his father's footsteps and he is happy to be serving in his hometown.

Mr. Wendt introduced and welcomed the City's newest Public Safety Specialist, Mary Beth Dyke. He called upon Chief Althouse to share Ms. Dyke's professional background.

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Proclamation: Bee City U.S.A.

Mayor Herbst read and presented a proclamation to Mr. Dranschak and Mr. Tuttle, Historical Society of Vandalia-Butler, in celebration of Pollinator week, which is June 21 through June 27, 2021, and thanked Mr. Dranschak and Mr. Tuttle for working diligently to educate the community on the importance of this subject. He reminded the audience back in the fall of 2016 the Historical Society of Vandalia-Butler came to Council and asked the city to join forces in order to become the first city in Ohio to receive the Bee City USA designation. Mr. Dranschak and Mr. Tuttle thanked Mayor Herbst for the proclamation, and introduced other members in attendance from the Historical Society of Vandalia-Butler. He concluded by sharing that he and Mr. Tuttle will deliver a presentation to summer camp at the Recreation Center on July 1 as part of Pollinator Week.

Public Hearing: None

Comments from Interested Citizens:

Ms. Holly Wiggins, 660 Cassel Creek, spoke on behalf of AES Ohio, which was Dayton Power & Light. She advised the audience this month their electric bills will contain the AES logo. **Ms. Wiggins** thanked the community in watching out for the AES crews that have been working diligently on restoration. Friday evening's storm impacted 33,500 customers and produced winds in excess of 60 miles per hour along with hail, flash flooding and two confirmed tornadoes. She concluded by noting more than half of the restorations were complete late Saturday afternoon. **Councilman Follick** expressed appreciation to Ms. Wiggins for her immediate assistance regarding repeated power surges over repeatative days in the Wilhelmina-Ronald neighborhood. He encouraged residents to go to the AES website to report power issues so that the company can resolve the problem instead of posting the issue on social media.

David Marble, 114 North Main Street, Union, Ohio, introduced himself and advised Council he is the owner of Northern Light Upfitting, which is one of the two companies who submitted a bid for the police cruiser equipment bid process. **Mr. Marble** explained his company is veteran owned and family owned. He explained he has fifteen years of experience and is very excited to submit a bid package. **Mr. Marble** continued explaining that he has previously upfitted Vandalia cruisers, he explained how the payment process would work if they were to award the bid to his company. **Mr. Marble** noted, the city would be his first official customer as a department and a city, that means he would be giving the city 100% of his time and effort in building the city's police vehicles.

Mr. Rick Bruner, 416 Randler, expressed concerns about a garbage dumpster on the property behind him right at his property line. He explained that he spoke to the

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property owner and Rumpke, but advised no one seems to be interested in resolving the problem. **Mr. Wendt** advised Mr. Brunner, immediately following this conversation, Assistant City Manager Miss Holloway take his number, staff will contact the property owner and Rumpke to find a solution to this matter.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Information Items: None

City Offices Closed

Mr. Wendt advised the audience City offices will be closed July 5 in observance of Independence Day. The recreation center will close Saturday, July 3 at 6:00 p.m. and will be closed Sunday, July 4.

Star Spangled Celebration – Sports Complex

Mr. Wendt advised the audience the City of Vandalia and Butler Township will present the Star Spangled Celebration Saturday, July 3 beginning at 7:00 p.m. The event takes place on the soccer fields of the Vandalia Sports Complex. This year the event is being sponsored by Beau Townsend Ford, Lincoln and Nissan; Joseph Airport Toyota, Scion and Hyundai, Smedley's Chevrolet and Fifth-Third Bank with additional support from Digital Cowboy Computers, and Pickrel, Shaeffer & Ebeling. Entertainment will be provided by The Blue Leafs. Fireworks will start at 10:00 p.m. In the case of rain, the fireworks will be held on Friday, July 9 with fireworks only, no entertainment.

Mr. Wendt added Wednesday, June 23, MetroNet will hold a grand opening. He shared the City is very excited about the fiber ring being installed around the Dayton Metro area as this is great for economic development and residential internet users. **Mr. Wendt** invited the audience to attend.

Then, **Mr. Wendt** recognized and congratulated Miss Holloway for being appointed to the Ohio City Managers Association Board. He explained there are only four or five board members who represent all the cities in Ohio.

Summer Schedule – Council Meetings

Mr. Wendt reminded the audience that Council, at their Organizational Meeting, established a summer schedule for Council meetings. The July meeting will be held on Monday, July 19 at 7:00 p.m. The Study Session will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Action Items:

Boards and Commissions – Terms Expiring

Mr. Wendt reminded council Mrs. Pruszynski provided a report at the May 17 study session outlining current board and commission members whose terms expire June 30 of this year and are requesting reappointment. He added if it is Council's desire, the vote can be made via acclamation – meaning Council may appoint all the candidates at once as opposed to individually. It was moved by Councilman Follick,

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seconded by Councilman Blakesly, to approve the reappointment of all boards and commissions members with terms expiring. **Councilman Blakesly** expressed his gratitude to all board and commission members and their efforts. All members present voted yes. Motion passed 7-0. Reappointments are as follows:

Judith Pope	Arts Council
Michael Flannery	Board of Zoning Appeals
Amber Aivalotis-Weaver	Board of Zoning Appeals
Judy Dodge	Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council
Robert Heeter	Housing Code Board of Appeals
Holly Payton	Housing Code Board of Appeals
Tara Landis	Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
Lenny Maenza	Parks& Recreation Advisory Board

Old Business: None

Resolutions:

21-R-34 A Resolution Approving The Foxfire Section 8 Final Plat. **Mr. McDonald** read Resolution 21-R-34 by title. **Mr. Wendt** advised the Applicant, Bob Krohngold, has requested a Final Plat for Phase I of Foxfire Section 8 Subdivision and Final Construction Drawings for Section 8 and the future Section 9 of the Subdivision. He noted the Final Plat would subdivide 13.2471-acres of land generally located in the northwest section of the Foxfire Subdivision and dedicate an additional 2.2384-acres of land on Bolton Abbey Lane, Deerhurst Drive, and Poplar Creek Road as public right-of-way. The proposed plat would create 29 buildable single-family lots. The Planning Commission voted 5-0 to recommend approval subject to conditions. The conditions include:

1. The portion of the 34-foot wide access easement located on the subject property shall be maintained in good condition
2. All structures and equipment located with the three open space lots shall be removed
3. Fences and structures that may disturb the natural drain of stormwater shall not be located within the 25-foot wide riparian buffer
4. The Director of Public Service approves of the final revisions to the construction drawings

It was moved by Vice Mayor Ahlers, seconded by Councilman Blakesly, to approve Resolution 21-R-34. Councilman Lewis inquired about the corresponding conditions. **Mr. McDonald** advised the conditions are included in the resolution. **Mr. Wendt** advised the City desires to have a very positive relationship with Mr. Krohngold and it

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has been very difficult in this area to ensure adequate maintenance of the property with regard to keeping it mowed and keeping it tidy. He advised staff will continue to work with him and it is his hope that the situation will improve. All members present voted yes. Resolution 21-R-34 approved 7-0.

21-R-35 A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager Enter Into Contract With Garland/DBS, Inc. Of Cleveland, Ohio For The Golf Course Facilities Roof Replacement Project In An Amount Not To Exceed \$60,000 Being Obtained Through The Omnia Partners National Cooperative Purchasing Program. **Mr. McDonald** read Resolution 21-R-35 by title. **Mr. Wendt** advised Parks and Recreation Director Clark is recommending a bid award for the Cassel Hills Golf Course Facilities Roof Replacement/Repair Project through the Omnia Partners National Cooperative Purchasing Program to Garland /DBS, Inc. Garland administered a competitive bid process with Enterprise Roofing of Dayton submitting the lowest and best bid of \$55,471. The 2021 capital improvement plan has \$65,000 appropriated for this project. **Mr. Wendt** noted as part of the project, three roofs on structures at the Golf Course - Clubhouse, Cart Barn and Maintenance Building, will be replaced or repaired. The Clubhouse roof was last replaced in 1994, the Golf Maintenance Building has a metal roof which is original to the building and the Golf Cart Barn roof is original as well. Additionally, he advised that it is possible that a portion of wood decking on both the Clubhouse and Cart Barn may need replaced as part of the project and this will not be determined until the old shingles have been removed during the construction phase. Therefore, we are requesting to award the contract at a not to exceed price of \$60,000. It was moved by Councilman Lewis, seconded by Councilwoman Farst, to approve Resolution 21-R-35. **Councilman Blakesly** commented that he is glad it went when we had it in the budget and did not have to wait for an emergency. All members present voted yes. Resolution 21-R-35 approved 7-0.

21-R-36 A Resolution Awarding The Bid For The Resurfacing Of Various Streets, Requested By The Public Works Department, To Barrett Paving Materials, Inc. At The Lowest And Best Bid Price Of \$582,932.30. **Mr. McDonald** read Resolution 21-R-36 by title. **Mr. Wendt** advised bids were publicly opened for our Annual Street Resurfacing Project on Tuesday May 11, 2021. He recommended that the bid be awarded to Barrett Paving Materials, Inc. as the lowest and best bidder at the bid price of \$582,932.30. **Mr. Wendt** shared that the Engineer's estimate for the project was \$605,000. This project is funded by the Safe and Stable Levy and Street Fund appropriated in the 2021 Budget. The project also includes the installation of a concrete median on N. Dixie Drive and has a completion date of October 1, 2021. It was moved by Councilman Follick, seconded by Councilman Lewis, to approve

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Resolution 21-R-36. Councilman Follick commented that this year's street resurfacing list contains only a couple residential areas; therefore, residents will not see as much work being done in neighborhoods since there are other major thoroughfares on list such as Dixie Drive, Falls Creek, and Poe Avenue. All members present voted yes. Resolution 21-R-36 approved 7-0.

21-R-37 A Resolution To Enter Into An Agreement For Stop Loss Coverage With Nationwide (TMS Re). **Mr. McDonald** read Resolution 21-R-37 by title. **Mr. Wendt** explained the City's health insurance broker, Demoray Benefits Administrators, recently received and reviewed, with staff, quotes from stop-loss carriers for the July 1 renewal of the City's self-funded health insurance plan. He recommended the renewal be placed with Nationwide Life Insurance Company/TMS Re Inc. for stop loss coverage with a \$55,000 specific deductible, and with Underwriters Services Corp., as our third-party administrator. **Mr. Wendt** advised to keep up with the growing health care costs, the cost for the premiums for the traditional preferred provider organization PPO will be increased by no more than 7.5%. Additionally, he noted it will be necessary to recommend incremental changes in years coming to premiums and plan designs each year to keep up with the market. **Mr. Wendt** explained he also plans to migrate the city's pharmacy benefits manager to TrueScripts and he believes this migration will save the city an estimated \$188,707 annually or about 40.7% while expanding the covered formulary. **Mr. Wendt** shared that no employee will experience a coverage interruption of any currently covered prescription and it is his goal to provide free generic maintenance medications to employees and family members covered under the new plan at a cost of approximately \$15,000 per year with the idea that over time when employees take maintenance medications it prevents more costly health care medications and events over the course of an employee's career. It was moved by Councilman Blakesly, seconded by Councilwoman Farst, to approve Resolution 21-R-37. All members present voted yes. Resolution 21-R-37 approved 7-0.

21-R-38 Resolution Awarding The Bid For The Helke Road Watermain And Road Reconstruction, Requested By The Public Works Department, To Brumbaugh Construction At The Lowest And Best Bid Price Of \$629,487.00. **Mr. McDonald** read Resolution 21-R-38 by title. **Mr. Wendt** shared bids were publicly opened for the Helke Road Watermain and Road Reconstruction Project on Thursday, May 27, 2021 and eight contractors submitted bids for the project. He recommended the bid be awarded to Brumbaugh Construction as the lowest and best bid at the bid price of \$629,487.00. **Mr. Wendt** explained the Engineer's estimate for the project was \$800,000. He noted this project is funded by the Street Fund and the Water Fund respectively and the project has a completion date of December 3, 2021. It was

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moved by Councilman Blakesly, seconded by Councilman Follick, to approve Resolution 21-R-38. Councilman Blakesly recognized Communications Manager Mr. Hopkins for his efforts in publishing this information on the most recent version of the *Focus Vandalia* video that included the history of this area and why this project is being done. All members present voted yes. Resolution 21-R-38 approved 7-0.

21-R-39 A Resolution Declaring The Real Estate Owned By The City And Located At 864 Foley Drive Surplus Property And Authorizing The Donation Of Such Property To Habitat For Humanity Of Greater Dayton. **Mr. McDonald** read Resolution 21-R-39 by title. **Mr. Wendt** advised this resolution would approve an agreement between City of Vandalia and Habitat for Humanity of Greater Dayton. He explained that the terms include donating the parcel at 864 Foley Drive to Habitat who will build a new home consistent with the size and type currently existing that meets all building codes. It was moved by Councilwoman Farst, seconded by Vice Mayor Ahlers, to approve Resolution 21-R-39. **Councilman Lewis** commented that this is a very positive idea and believes it is a good use for the property. He recognized Chief Follick for suggesting this solution. All members present voted yes. Resolution 21-R-39 approved 7-0.

21-R-40 A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Execute A Letter Of Understanding With The United States Air And Trade Show. **Mr. McDonald** read Resolution 21-R-40 by title. **Mr. Wendt** advised annually, the City enters into a Letter of Understanding with the US Air and Trade Show. Per the terms of the Letter, the City agrees to provide Police and City services in direct support of the 2021 CenterPoint Energy Dayton Air Show being held this year on July 10 & July 11. The City will be reimbursed should such services exceed \$21,900. In return, the City will receive one Flight Line Chalet with 200 Chalet tickets for each day of the Air Show, along with catering services. It was moved by Councilman Follick, seconded by Councilman Blakesly, to approve Resolution 21-R-40 subject to the City Manager negotiating a new amount in Section 2 of said agreement to cover the increase in catering costs. All members present voted yes. Resolution 21-R-40 approved 7-0.

Ordinances – First Reading: None

Ordinances – Second Reading: None

Ordinances – Emergency:

21-12 An Ordinance Providing For The Issuance And Sale Of Notes In The Maximum Principal Amount Of \$1,399,000, In Anticipation Of The Issuance Of Bonds, To Provide Moneys For The Retirement Of The City's Outstanding Taxable Land Acquisition Notes, Series 2019, And Declaring An Emergency. **Mr. McDonald** read Ordinance 21-12 by title in an emergency reading. **Mr. Wendt** explained the Land Acquisition Note issued for the acquisition of land for the Stonequarry Crossing

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development matures on August 3, 2021. The total amount due is \$1,399,000 in principal plus \$20,926.71, 1.50%, in interest. The interest amount included in the 2021 budget is \$21,500. The maturity date on the new note, will be on July 28, 2022, with an estimated interest amount due of \$25,000. The debt is scheduled to be paid in full in 2036. There were no comments or questions during the public hearing. It was moved by Councilman Follick, seconded by Councilwoman Farst, to approve Ordinance 21-12 in an emergency reading. All members present voted yes. Ordinance 21-12 was approved 7-0 in an emergency reading.

21-13 An Ordinance Providing For The Issuance And Sale Of Notes In The Maximum Principal Amount Of \$1,500,000, In Anticipation Of The Issuance Of Bonds, For The Purpose Of Paying The Costs Of Acquiring A Fire Ladder Truck, Together With All Related Appurtenances Thereto, And Declaring An Emergency. **Mr. McDonald** read Ordinance 21-13 by title in an emergency reading. **Mr. Wendt** explained the Division of Fire is requesting the purchase of a new ladder truck. Finance is recommending the issuance of bond anticipation notes, not to exceed \$1.5 million, for the cost of the truck, and apparatus, and be combined with the current Fire Engine 2016 BAN to save issuance costs. As this is a new purchase, new legislation - a separate Ordinance, is presented to Council for consideration and passage. Beginning next year, it will only be necessary to prepare, present and pass one piece of legislation, as an Ordinance, that includes both the remaining balances for the 2016 BAN and 2021 BAN. The maturity on the new note will be on August 25, 2022. The 2016 BAN debt is scheduled to be paid in full in 2026. The 2021 BAN debt will be scheduled to be paid in full in 2031. There were no comments or questions during the public hearing. It was moved by Vice Mayor Ahlers, seconded by Councilman Blakesly, to approve Ordinance 21-13 in an emergency reading. All members present voted yes. Ordinance 21-13 was approved 7-0 in an emergency reading.

21-14 An Ordinance Providing For The Issuance And Sale Of Notes In The Maximum Principal Amount Of \$240,000, In Anticipation Of The Issuance Of Bonds, To Provide Moneys For The Retirement Of The City's Outstanding Various Purpose Notes, Series 2020, And Declaring An Emergency. **Mr. McDonald** read Ordinance 21-14 by title in an emergency reading. **Mr. Wendt** explained the Fire Engine 2016 Bond Anticipation Note issued for a new fire engine matures on August 31, 2021. This note was combined with the refunding of the 1996 Bond Anticipation Notes related to the renovation of the Municipal Building, and construction of the Recreation Center and Justice Center in order to save on the costs of issuance. The total principal amount due is \$288,000 plus \$4,320, 1.50%, in interest. The 2021 budget includes a pay down amount of \$48,000 on the outstanding principal due, and an interest payment of \$4,500. The maturity on the new note, \$240,000, will be on August 25,

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2022, with an estimated interest amount due of \$5,000. The debt is scheduled to be paid in full in 2026. There were no comments or questions during the public hearing. It was moved by Councilman Blakesly, seconded by Councilman Lewis, to approve Ordinance 21-14 in an emergency reading. **Councilman Follick** explained to the audience these last three ordinances are simply housekeeping items that renew debt that has already been incurred; however, the only new debt is the purchase of the ladder truck. Additionally, the debt for the Justice Center, Municipal Building and Recreation Center have dropped off this year. All members present voted yes. Ordinance 21-14 was approved 7-0 in an emergency reading

21-15 An Ordinance Approving Individual Assessments Amounts And Directing The Finance Director Or Her Designee To Certify The Amounts To The County Auditor For Collection And Declaring An Emergency. **Mr. McDonald** read Ordinance 21-15 by title in an emergency reading. **Mr. Wendt** advised this emergency ordinance assesses properties for delinquent accounts related to storm water fees, weed cutting, trash collection, & sewer and water. There were no comments or questions during the public hearing. It was moved by Councilman Follick, seconded by Councilman Lewis, to approve Ordinance 21-15 in an emergency reading. All members present voted yes. Ordinance 21-15 was approved 7-0 in an emergency reading.

21-16 An Ordinance To Revise Appropriations For Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The City Of Vandalia, Montgomery County, Ohio During The Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2021, And Amending Ordinance 20-36 And Declaring An Emergency. **Mr. McDonald** read Ordinance 21-16 by title in an emergency reading. **Mr. Wendt** advised in this emergency ordinance Finance is requesting the approval of the following supplemental appropriations: an increase in the General Fund in the amount of \$199,748, Street Fund in the amount of \$520,000, Capital Improvement Fund in the amount of \$209,548, Golf Fund in the amount of \$11,800, Water Fund in the amount of \$180,000, and Sewer Fund in the amount of \$261,800. There were no comments or questions during the public hearing. It was moved by Councilwoman Farst, seconded by Councilman Lewis, to approve Ordinance 21-16 in an emergency reading. All members present voted yes. Ordinance 21-16 was approved 7-0 in an emergency reading.

Reports from Boards and Commissions:

Variance – Solar Panels: 963 Cassel Creek Drive

Mr. Wendt explained Empire Solar Group, LLC. has requested a variance to permit roof-mounted solar panels facing the public street at 693 Cassel Creek Drive. The Code requires that roof-mounted solar panels not face a street when not integrated with the surface layer of the roof structure. The Applicant is proposing to

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install twenty solar panels that would face South Brown School Road and fifteen solar panels that would face Cassel Creek Drive. The Board of Zoning Appeals voted 4-1 to recommend approval subject to one condition being that all wires and other associated appurtenances related to the solar energy systems shall be installed below the roofline and not visible from Cassel Creek Drive. **Mr. Brion Haynes**, 676 Cassel Creek, spoke in opposition of the variance request and explained he does not mind if the panels are on the Brown School Road side of the property and would like to continue with the current aesthetics of the neighborhood. **Ms. Holly Wiggins**, 660 Cassel Creek, spoke in opposition of the variance request. She concurs with Mr. Haynes comments and noted she also agrees with the panels being placed only on the Brown School Road side of the property. **Mr. Puterbaugh**, 661 Cassel Creek, concurs with Mr. Haynes and Ms. Wiggins and also placing the panels only on the Brown School Road side of the home. **Mayor Herbst** called for additional comments. There were none. It was moved by Vice Mayor Ahlers, seconded by Councilman Follick, to deny the variance request. **Councilman Lewis** commented he would be more inclined to approve the variance if the request was only for the Brown School Road side of the home. Brief discussion occurred related to the BZA recommendations. **Councilman Follick** reminded Council that in the May 12, 2021 BZA draft minutes the Applicant stated that if the condition that the 15 panels could not face Cassel Creek Drive was upheld, the project would not go forward. **Councilman Blakesly** commented although he understands the Applicant's situation ,and this is an environmentally friendly variance request, he feels that this type of variance does not apply in a platted area. All members present voted to deny the variance request at 963 Cassel Creek Drive. Motion to deny passed 7-0.

Mayor Herbst called for comments or questions on the Planning Commission Minutes of May 11, 2021. There were none.

Mayor Herbst reviewed the April Bill Listing in the amount of \$2,099,068.44, the May Bill Listing in the amount of \$2,504,959.55, and the May Purchasing Card Detail in the amount of \$49,231.87. There were no comments or questions.

Council Comments:

Councilman Follick shared that he attended the first employee appreciation event, which was the ice cream social last Wednesday. He is pleased that staff is able to hold these team building events. **Councilman Follick** congratulated the Parks and Recreation staff on another successful Corporate Challenge event and noted this is a

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true testament of our Parks and Recreation staff as this program has endured thirty-two continuous years of programming and this is a very important event as it allows staff to build relationships with the Vandalia business community. **Councilman Follick** concluded by recognizing and expressing appreciation to Judge Cynthia Heck and her staff for obtaining a grant for new x-ray equipment and being good stewards of tax payer dollars.

Councilwoman Farst recognized Mr. Hopkins for his daily Corporate Challenge informational journals and the need to publicize them as she believes the public and businesses would thoroughly enjoy reading them. She concluded by expressing gratitude to those in tonight's audience who have been waiting to learn more or share concerns about items on tonight's Study Session agenda.

Councilmember Blakesly welcomed Lt. Sucher and shared that he knows Lt. Sucher's father would be proud of him. **Councilman Blakesly** added he knows Lt. Sucher will contribute significantly to city operations as his heart is in it, and he will be a fine addition to the Vandalia family. He expressed gratitude to Senator Antani for his attendance during the first portion of tonight's Study Session and it is clear that we finally have the attention of our legislators and is hopeful for an upcoming solution. **Councilman Blakesly** congratulated the City's Corporate Challenge team for their fourth place win.

Vice Mayor Ahlers congratulated the Butler High School baseball team on an outstanding season.

Mayor Herbst advised the audience after this regular Council Meeting adjourns, Council will reconvene the normal Study Session. If Council desires, at the end of the Study Session, they may enter into Executive Session.

No Executive Session was held.

The regular Council Meeting was then adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

APPROVED:

Richard Herbst, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Missy Pruszynski, Deputy Clerk of Council

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