

MINUTES
MOUNT VERNON CITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 19, 2015

The Mount Vernon City Council met January 19, 2015 at the Mount Vernon City Hall Chambers with the following members present: Roudabush, Thompson, Niemi and Hampton. Absent: Taylor.

1. Call to Order. At 6:31 p.m. Mayor James Moore called the meeting to order.
2. Approval of Agenda. Motion made by Hampton, seconded by Niemi to approve the minutes. Carried all. Taylor absent.
3. Consent Agenda. Motion made by Hampton, seconded by Niemi to approve the Consent Agenda. Carried all. Taylor absent.
 - a. Approval of minutes of January 5 and January 12, 2015.
 - b. Claims for approval.

AIRGAS INC	CYLINDER RENTAL FEE-PW	25.95
ANDREWS, CHRISTIAN	FUEL/REIMB-PW	80.00
ANTHONY KARTSONAS	M.WOODS MURAL RESTORATION-MVHPC	1,500.00
ARAMARK	RUGS-FD	50.00
BALICEK, RITA	CLEANING SERVICE-P&A	52.50
BALICEK, RITA	CLEANING SERVICE-PD,P&A	75.00
BARNYARD SCREEN PRINTER LLC	T-SHIRTS-P&REC	1,050.00
BAUER BUILT TIRE - CEDAR RAPIDS	TIRES/BACKHOE-PW	608.86
BENHART, SHERRIE	CLEANING SERVICE-P&A	52.50
BENHART, SHERRIE	CLEANING SERVICE-PD,P&A	75.00
BUD'S AUTO & TRUCK REPAIR	REPLACE THERMOSTAT/F250	465.57
BUSER, ROBERT M	IEMSA MEMBERSHIP-EMA	30.00
CARDIAC SCIENCE CORP	DEFIBRILATOR-PD	1,295.00
CARQUEST OF LISBON	VEHICLE MAINT-FD	25.33
CEDAR RAPIDS TIRE	TIRES/MOWER-RUT	57.56
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHGS-PD	30.74
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP	HOTEL/MOTEL TAX PYMT	19,562.48
DIESEL TURBO SERVICES	COMPACTOR/JD-PW	214.50
DIESEL TURBO SERVICES	CLUTCH/F700-PW	1,469.67
FUTURE LINE TRUCK EQUIPMENT	CUTTING EDGE/PLOWS-PW	1,060.27
GAZETTE COMMUNICATIONS	ADS/PUBLICATIONS-P&Z	197.14
GOODLOVE, NATHAN	FIRE CHIEF PAY-FD	416.67
IIMC	MEMBERSHIP-ALL DEPTS/M.DEWELL	95.00
IIMC	MEMBERSHIP-ALL DEPTS/S.RIPKE	95.00
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES-WAT,SEW	9.90
IOWA PARK & REC ASSOCIATION	AQUATIC WORKSHOP-POOL/C.RODMAN	135.00
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	REMOTE MAINT,INSTALL PRINTER	1,070.00
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	TROUBLESHOOT LAPTOP-PD	202.50
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY	LEGO REGISTRATION-P&REC	100.00
IRON LEAF	BUSINESS CARDS-P&REC	49.00
JANDA MOTOR SERVICES	BLOWER MOTOR MAINT-SEW	1,526.00
KIRKWOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE	WORKSHOP-EMA R.M.BUSER	175.00

KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	MAINTENANCE PLAN/COPIES-ALL DEPTS	503.38
LANGES SINCLAIR SERVICE	FUEL-FD	130.29
LYNCH FORD	WASHER JET/350-RUT	5.46
LYNCH FORD	5K MI MAINT,ROTATE TIRES	116.38
MMS CONSULTANTS INC	CONSTRUCTION STAKING-7TH ST NW,5TH TO 8TH AVE NW	16,000.00
MOUNT VERNON ACE HARDWARE	SUPPLIES,TOOLS-ALL DEPTS	2,253.64
MOUNT VERNON BANK & TRUST COMPANY	SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX-P&A	35.00
MOUNT VERNON FIRE DEPARTMENT	CLEANING SERVICE-FD	200.00
MOUNT VERNON LISBON SUN	ADS/PUBLICATIONS-P&REC	439.00
PAYROLL	CLAIMS	57,679.54
PHILIP'S DIAMOND SHOP	UNIFORMS-PD	398.00
ROTO-ROOTER	5TH AVE SW/4TH AVE SW	6,280.00
SHEPLEY PHARMACY	SUPPLIES-P&A,P&REC	29.42
SIDERS, MATT	MILEAGE-P&REC	108.64
SPRINGER PEST SOLUTIONS CORP	PEST CONTROL-P&A	30.00
STATE HYGIENIC LAB	TESTING-SEW	1,945.00
TEMP VENDOR	FITNESS MEMBERSHIP-FD	50.00
THOMPSON TRUCK & TRAILER INC	MIRROR BRACKET/2006 DUMP TRK	55.20
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONE-PD	119.17
USA BLUE BOOK	SUPPLIES/TESTS-WAT	731.43
VAN METER INDUSTRIAL INC	LIGHT/MVB CORNER-LOST III	2,885.00
WEX BANK	FUEL-PW	2,020.13
	TOTAL	123,866.82

c. Certificate of Appreciation to Jason Weaver for service on the Parks and Recreation Board.

4. Open forum: each citizen limited to 5 minutes per discussion item.3
5. Mayoral recommendation and possible Council action to appoint Catherine Poduska to fill unexpired vacancy on the Parks and Recreation Board left by Jason Weaver. Motion made by Niemi, seconded by Hampton to approve Mayoral recommendation to appoint Catherine Poduska to the Parks and Recreation Board.
6. Discussion and possible action on Iowa DOT Agreement 2015-2-122 FINAL (ROW for Mount Vernon/Lisbon Bypass in Linn and Cedar Counties). Beimer explained the reason for this agreement is that the City would be responsible for moving any City utilities that would be affected by the construction of the bypass. There would definitely be a water main and possibly a sewer main. They City would not be responsible for any other utilities, such as fiber optic, gas or electric. Engineer Dave Schechinger explained that this agreement is a general agreement that states the City will move utilities and provide that right-of-way to the DOT as necessary. Motion made by Hampton, seconded by Niemi to approve Iowa DOT Agreement 2015-2-122 FINAL (ROW for Mount Vernon Lisbon Bypass in Linn and Cedar Counties). Roll call all yes.
7. Parks and Recreation Director Report. Parks and Recreation Director was not in attendance to give report.

8. Police Report. Chief Winder reported there were 3 crash reports for the month of December; officers conducted 10 hours of overtime for S.T.E.P. enforcement; beginning back in December, Mount Vernon Bank identified two counterfeit bills that had been deposited by area businesses. These were the first of four counterfeit bills passed in Mount Vernon between December 30th and January 12th. There were also two counterfeit bills passed in Lisbon. Officers and investigators from Mount Vernon, Lisbon, Cedar Rapids and Shellsburg Police Departments joined efforts and made an arrest; Officer Gehrke is teaching D.A.R.E. to the 5th and 7th grades at the Middle School.
9. Swearing in of three Police reserve officers. Chief Winder introduced three new Police Reserve officers, Ben Engle, Jarod Lynch and Fatmir Kote and asked for Council approval to swear in these individuals. He feels that they would make a great addition to the department. A motion was made by Niemi, seconded by Hampton to appoint Ben Engle, Jarod Lynch and Fatmir to the position of reserve officer. Carried all. Mayor James Moore then swore in the new officers.
10. Public Hearing and Discussion and possible approval of Resolution #1-19-2015A: A Resolution approving preliminary and final plat for NS First Addition to the City of Mount Vernon, Iowa, a Minor Subdivision. Motion made by Niemi, seconded by Hampton to open public hearing at 6:53 p.m. Carried all. Beimer explained that this consummates the sale of the City owned building at 116 2nd Avenue SW and was necessary to split the building off from the rest of the City owned lot. Mount Vernon code requires a minor subdivision when one to two lots are split. The process was approved previously as well as the contract and the purchaser's obligation to do certain by a certain time. Motion made by Niemi, seconded by Hampton to close public hearing at 6:55 p.m. Carried all. Motion made by Niemi, seconded by Hampton to approve Resolution #1-19-2015A. Roll call all yes.
11. Engineering Update Report. Dave Schechinger of Veenstra Kimm reported the following: work continues on the design of the 3rd Avenue and 5th Avenue reconstruction projects; preliminary design continues on the Lisbon Road overlay and a concept has been worked up to possibly look at another option rather than put in curb and gutter; the draft report for the engineering study for Bryant Park well is nearly complete; an inspection is scheduled for the water plant filter; plans are being worked on for the sewer rehabilitation project; V&K went over the draft permit with Alex Volkov. A testing schedule was discussed to comply with the conditions of the permit.
12. Continuing discussion of budget for FY2016. Wade Squires addressed Council with a request for additional funding for Heritage Days fireworks. Last year the City provided \$3,000 and they are requesting \$8,000 for FY2016. He stated that the cost of fireworks is going up approximately 10 per year and they would like to up the amount so that they can make fireworks better than they have in the past. Mayor Moore stated that right now there is no growth to offset any increases. Hampton stated that Council greatly appreciates everything that Wade has done for the committee but was in agreement with Moore and felt that spending additional money on

fireworks was not the answer for Heritage Days at this point. Thompson suggested some type of fundraising to raise the extra money.

Beimer said that he received the valuations from Linn County and they only went up a small amount. The amount of anticipated revenues received is \$18,000 over current FY2015. The tax levy rate of 12.9995 has not changed. He stated that we will need to be extremely diligent that we don't go over budget and start cutting into reserves. Council then went through each line item expense in the budget. Minor adjustments were made to asking amounts for a few departments as well as changes to capital project amounts. Council chose to keep the lighting amount for Sauter Trail lighting in at \$50,000 but deleted funding for a trail between the school and Stonebrook. Beimer would like to have another worksession on January 26, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. to wrap everything up.

13. Old Business.

14. New Business.

As there was no further business to attend to the meeting adjourned, the time being 8:32 p.m., January 19, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,
Marsha Dewell
Deputy Clerk

Reviewed and approved,
Michael R. Beimer
City Administrator