

MINUTES
MOUNT VERNON CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 4, 2013

The Mount Vernon city council met November 4, 2013 at Mount Vernon City Hall Chambers with the following members present: Thompson, Taylor, Christensen and Hampton. Absent: Anthony.

1. Call to Order. At 6:32 p.m. Mayor Scott C. Peterson called the meeting to order.
2. Approval of Agenda. Motion made by Christensen, seconded by Hampton to approve agenda. Carried all. Anthony absent.
3. Consent Agenda. Motion made by Hampton, seconded by Taylor to approve consent agenda. Carried all. Anthony absent.
 - a. Approval of minutes of October 28, 2013.
 - b. Claims for approval.

AHLERS & COONEY P.C.	AMENDMENT #3/UR PLAN	3,146.06
ALLIANT ENERGY	116 2ND AVE SW-WAT	44.42
BARNYARD SCREEN PRINTER	UNIFORMS-PW	123.00
BAUMAN AND COMPANY	UNIFORMS-ALL DEPTS	678.52
BEIMER, MICHAEL R	MILEAGE-P&A	296.06
CAMPBELL SUPPLY	SAFETY HARNESS-PW	76.18
CARQUEST OF LISBON	VEHICLE MAINT-PW	556.89
CLIFTON LARSON ALLEN	AUDITOR FEES-P&A	10,000.00
CUMMINS CENTRAL POWER	GENERATOR MAINT-SEW	150.77
CUMMINS CENTRAL POWER	GENERATOR MAINT-WAT, SEW	155.98
GARY'S FOODS	SUPPLIES-P&REC	15.45
GOODLOVE, NATE	FIRE CHIEF PAY-FD	375.00
GORDON LUMBER COMPANY	BLDG SUPPLIES-RUT	46.60
HAWKEYE FIRE & SAFETY CO	EQUIPMENT-FD TAX LEVY	336.37
IOWA DEPT/AGRICULTURE	PESTICIDE APP CERTIFICATION	15.00
IPERS	IPERS	20,666.74
KROMMINGA MOTORS INC	VEHICLE REPAIRS-FD	60.14
LINN COUNTY PLANNING/DEV	BLDG PERMIT FEES/INSPECTIONS	1,332.00
LYNCH FORD	2010 F250/3K MI MAINT	83.84
MATT PARROTT & SONS	TAX FORMS-P&A	202.00
MOUNT VERNON LISBON SUN	ADS/PUBLICATIONS-ALL DEPTS	1,186.82
MOUNT VERNON LISBON SUN	CABLE TV/ONLINE	130.00
PAYROLL	PAYROLL	45,238.80
POSTMASTER	UTIL BILL POSTAGE-WAT, SEW, S/W	356.30
PREMIER OFFICE EQUIPMENT	MAINTENANCE PLAN/COPIES	375.56
RELIANT FIRE APPARATUS	EQUIPMENT-FD TAX LEVY	326.46
RELIANT FIRE APPARATUS	EQUIPMENT-FD TAX LEVY	681.32
RICKARD SIGN AND DESIGN	LOGO INSTALLATION-PW	96.00
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY LLC	EQUIPMENT-FD TAX LEVY	1,104.71
SIDERS, MATT	MILEAGE-P&REC	79.10
SIMMONS PERRINE MOYER	LEGAL FEES-P&A	1,365.00
SIMMONS PERRINE MOYER	LEGAL FEES-P&A, LOST, RAB	3,990.00

SMYTH, DEAN	UNIFORMS-RUT	59.50
STORM STEEL	SUPPLIES-RUT	64.10
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	DATABASE ENGINES-P&A	170.00
UNION DUES	DUES	567.00
UNITY POINT CLINIC	PRE-EMPLOYMENT PHYSICAL-RUT	114.00
USA BLUE BOOK	SUPPLIES-WAT	106.62
WAPSI WASTE SERVICE	GB, RECY, LEAF-SW	22,394.85
	GRAND TOTAL	116,767.16

- c. Approval of Change Order #7, Streb Construction, in the amount of \$1,645.93, 2013 U.S. Highway 30 Corridor Improvements Project, IDOT Project No. STP-A-030-7(159)-86-57.
 - d. Approval of Pay Estimate #7, Streb Construction, in the amount of \$352,207.71, 2013 U.S. Highway 30 Corridor Improvements Project, IDOT Project No. STP-A-030-7(159)-86-57.
4. Open forum: each citizen limited to 5 minutes per discussion item. Robert Caldwell made suggestions to Council about adding fiber optic, having more pet friendly housing available and having a green space at the ambulance building site.
5. Mayor Report. Peterson publicly thanked Helen Gray for her many years of service on the ambulance service. The proposed demolition ordinance will be primarily for when a property owner wants to demolish a current structure and what options would be available for them. The individuals that Peterson is appointing to the board are Slaton Anthony, Guy Booth, Joel Wolfe, Karmin McShane with Linn County Solid Waste Agency and Susan Margheim. The City Attorney will be available as well. There was a good turnout at the Housing Forum on November 2nd. There will be a public forum on the Comprehensive Plan on Saturday, November 9th at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall. There is an election on November 5th with a mayor seat and two Council seats up for election. One item on the ballot is the Fire Department levy that he hopes everyone will continue to support.
 - a. Certificate of Appreciation to Helen Gray for service on the Lisbon-Mount Vernon Ambulance Service.
 - b. Appointment of demolition ordinance committee.
6. Update, discussion and Council input of newest IDOT proposed bypass map. Council was provided with an updated map of the proposed bypass. Alignments, grades and accesses have been set. Highway 30 will go over Highway 1, with improvements to Highway 1. Some items the City will need to discuss are annexing, rezoning, adding City services during construction, pedestrian accommodations and overall storm-water management. Proposed construction for grading and storm structures is 2016. There is a proposed trail crossing at Willow Creek. The map will be given to Chad Sands and the Comprehensive Plan Committee and also put on the City website if possible. No action was taken.
7. Update, discussion and possible Council action on State Highway 1 project for construction season 2014: Estimated costs, additions. This item has to do with improvements within the City

limits between the railroad tracks to down past Palisades Road to the end of the construction for the Corridor Roundabout Project. The DOT has submitted plans for resurfacing work and curb repair. Some items beyond the proposed scope that would be the City's financial responsibility are the installation of curb and gutter where none exist, patching due to City owned utilities and City owned utility repairs discovered during construction. The project is scheduled to be let in January 2014 with completion during the 2014 construction season. The consensus of Council was to install the curb and gutter as needed. No action was taken.

8. Discussion and input on draft revision of 2014 Strategic Plan. Staff went through and made changes based on the last discussion at the October 28th meeting. Peterson and Christensen will review these changes and put the plan in The Sun the following week, with a public hearing on November 18th. Taylor suggested having it on the City website as well.
9. Discussion and possible action on plan to evaluate and estimate future costs for repair and maintenance of outdoor pool. Matt Siders, Park & Recreation Director, said that Pool Tech came out last month and did a visual walkthrough of items that might need to be replaced over the next few years and provided an estimate of some of these items. There are additional items that could be looked at, depending on how thorough the City wants them to be. A new filter system was one of the most needed items as well as basin work. Siders will bring back a formal recommendation on November 18th after he has reviewed all information received from Pool Tech. Christensen felt that whatever it takes to get a thorough analysis is what should be done. Taylor said that now was the time to do this, with considerations taking place on an indoor or outdoor pool and the Wellness Center discussions. She felt this additional information should be taken into consideration.
10. City Administrator Report. City Administrator Beimer was not available to give the report at this meeting.
11. Police Chief Report. A.L.I.C.E (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) training was done at Cornell with staff and students. There was also a drill done on September 26th at Cornell that went through instances such as bomb threats and active shooters. Flags have been placed at the 10th Avenue Roundabout yield signs. On November 1st, a meeting took place with individuals from the DOT, Shive Hattery, Streb Construction, a roundabout consultant from Wisconsin, as well as Dan Boggs and Mark Winder. Improvements such as different signage, road markings and changes to speed limit signs were discussed to improve traffic at the Hwy 1 and Hwy 30 roundabout. An impaired driving event was held at Cornell on September 22nd with about 35 students participating. A video of the roundabout traffic was put together and will be available for public viewing after some editing is done.
12. Parks and Recreation Director Report. The end of season pool report will be given on November 18th. A Lego Robotics team has been put together with 10 kids participating. The Parks and Recreation Board continues to work on the Master Parks and Recreation Plan with a target date of December to present to Council.

13. Public Works Director Report. Estimates are still being gathered for renovations on the City owned rental building. The Trees Forever grant trees have been planted at Memorial Park, Nature Park, City Hall, Elliott Athletic complex and along Nature Trail north of 1st Street east. On October 29th, Loren Hartelt and Mike Wehde attended a webinar on chemical injections for Ash trees to combat the Emerald Ash Borer. Hartelt will be looking into the cost for the City to do this. A contractor will be in town removing dead trees from City parks and right-of-ways in the next week or so. Bio-solids will be hauled from the wastewater plant this month.
14. City Engineer Report. The flags on the yield signs at the roundabouts will be a permanent fixture. The 2012 sidewalk rehabilitation will begin soon. Talks are still proceeding with the railroad on quiet zones.
15. Discussion and possible action on appointment Diane Osmun to Historic Preservation Commission. Motion made by Taylor, seconded by Christensen to approve appointment. Carried all. Anthony absent.
16. Discussion and possible action on Resolution #11-4-2013A: A Resolution authorizing an interfund loan from LOST to Capital Projects Fund to pay for 2 TIF certification projects (40,000 and \$50,000) prior to authorization of TIF certification (CY2013/FY2015). When proceeds are received in 2015 for said projects, receipts will be repaid back to LOST Fund. Peterson stated that there were four resolutions for approval tonight. Assistant City Administrator Sue Ripke could answer any questions that Council has about them but they are all fairly routine and done on a yearly basis. Motion made by Hampton, seconded by Christensen to approve Resolution #11-4-2013A. Roll call all yes. Anthony absent.
17. Discussion and possible action on Resolution #11-4-2013B: A Resolution certifying to County Auditor, TIF debt incurred in CY2013 for FY2015. Motion made by Hampton, seconded by Taylor to approve Resolution #11-4-2013B. Roll call all yes. Anthony absent.
18. Discussion and possible action on Resolution #11-4-2013C: A Resolution authorizing an internal loan of \$59,802 previously certified in CY12, FY14 for repayment of previously certified TIF debt. When TIF funds are received in FY14, said funds will be transferred back from TIF to LOST for repayment of internal loan. Motion made by Hampton, seconded by Christensen to approve Resolution #11-4-2013C. Roll call all yes. Anthony absent.
19. Discussion and possible action on Resolution #11-4-2013D: A Resolution approving annual State Financial Report for FY2013. Motion made by Hampton, seconded by Christensen to approve Resolution #11-4-2013D. Roll call all yes. Anthony absent.
20. Old Business. Peterson thanked Christensen for leading Council in the Strategic Planning session.

21. New Business. None.

As there was no further business to attend to the meeting adjourned, the time being 7:56 p.m., November 4, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,
Marsha Dewell
Administrative Assistant

Reviewed and approved,
Sue Ripke
City Clerk