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ESCO ELECTRIC COMPANY	ENTRYWAY OUTLETS-P&A	484.85
SOLAK, CLAIRE	INTERN-MVHPC	450.00
WHEATLEY, DEAN	DESIGN STANDARDS REVISION	437.50
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONE-PW	434.27
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY LLC	TOOLS-FD	378.25
ALLIANT ENERGY	ENERGY USAGE-SEW	364.97
RICKARD SIGN AND DESIGN	MORGAN FUNERAL HOME FLAG POLE	350.00
APPRAISAL ASSOCIATES CO	DIETRICH-APPRAISAL SERVICE	250.00
BP	FUEL-PD	202.45
BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS	TRAFFIC CONES-RUT	179.88
ESCO ELECTRIC COMPANY	ENTRYWAY OUTLETS-P&A	159.00
KONE INC	ELEVATOR MAINT CONTRACT-P&A	150.42
AIRGAS NORTH CENTRAL	CYL MAINT FEE-RUT, WAT, SEW	145.50
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONE-PD	142.62
THOMPSON TRUCK & TRAILER	VEHICLE MAINT-RUT	133.24
ALLIANT ENERGY	ENERGY USAGE-ST LIGHTS	132.00
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS	MAINTENANCE PLAN/COPIES	130.50
ALLIANT ENERGY	ENERGY USAGE-ST LIGHTS	123.56
I WIRELESS	CELL PHONE-ALL DEPTS	111.35
L.L. PELLING CO INC	POTHOLE PATCH-RUT	109.20
US CELLULAR	INTERNET-RUT, POOL	106.90
GRAINGER	DIGITAL TIMER-RUT	104.70
ALLIANT ENERGY	ENERGY USAGE-P&A	100.85
BROTHER MOBILE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES-PD	94.92
WALKER AG EQUIPMENT	AIR FILTER-RUT	77.80
WEBSTER, BRANDI	DEPOSIT REFUND-WAT	67.48

ARAMARK	RUGS-FD	62.60
PHILLIPS, MARCUS	DEPOSIT REFUND-WAT	57.70
WALKER AG EQUIPMENT	HUSTLER MOWER MAINT-RUT	57.16
HOOD, DEBORAH	DEPOSIT REFUND-WAT	56.98
MOUNT VERNON ACE HARDWARE	EQUIP MAINT-FD	52.81
BALICHEK, RITA	CLEANING SERVICE-P&A	52.50
BENHART, SHERRIE	CLEANING SERVICE-P&A	52.50
RICKARD SIGN AND DESIGN	HAHN CREEK SIGNS-P&REC	50.00
MOUNT VERNON, CITY OF	DEPOSITS TO FINALS-WAT	43.02
MOUNT VERNON, CITY OF	DEPOSITS TO FINALS-WAT	42.30
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHGS-PD	37.19
MOUNT VERNON, CITY OF	DEPOSITS TO FINALS-WAT	32.52
JOENA'S SPECIAL NEEDS	UNIFORMS-PD	30.00
SPRINGER PEST SOLUTIONS	PEST CONTROL-VC, P&A	30.00
LINN COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS	TRAINING-FD	29.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	ENERGY USAGE-P&REC	28.21
RICKARD SIGN AND DESIGN	LETTERING-RUT	24.00
COGRAN SYSTEMS	ONLINE REGISTRATION FEES	22.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	ENERGY USAGE-EMA	21.49
ALLIANT ENERGY	ENERGY USAGE-WAT	11.39
CARQUEST OF LISBON	VEHICLE MAINT-FD	10.58
	GRAND TOTAL	90,800.40

- c. Approval of Change Orders for Streb Construction, 2013 U.S. Highway 30 Corridor Improvements Project, IDOT Project No. STP-A-030-7(159)-86-57.
1. Change Order #9 in the amount of \$17,364.46.
 2. Change Order #10 in the amount of \$11,921.00.
 3. Change Order #11 in the amount of \$6,391.80.
 4. Change Order #12 in the amount of \$948.52.
 5. Change Order #13 in the amount of \$1,100.00
- d. Approval of Pay Estimate #8, Streb Construction, in the amount of \$94,878.69, 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.
5. Mayor Report. Announcement of the Employee of the Year; Alex Volkov, Water/wastewater Superintendent. Alex is a dedicated and trusted employee. An award will be presented to Alex at Wednesday's training meeting. Mayor Peterson had hoped to have a joint meeting with Planning and Zoning but did not get that done. He encouraged the new council to consider meeting especially now with the Comprehensive Plan revision underway.
6. Public Hearing and discussion and possible action on Resolution #12-16-2013A: A Resolution approving Capital Improvements Plan for FY2015 through FY2019. Mayor Peterson opened the public hearing. Hearing no comments the public hearing was closed. Motion to approve Resolution #12-16-2013A was made by Anthony, seconded by Hampton. Anthony said that he would like to see the \$300,000.00 earmarked for the Police Expansion (FY16) removed stating

there should be a space needs analysis study done first. Taylor agreed. Anthony made a motion to amend his motion to remove the FY16 Community Protection \$300k Police Expansion project, seconded by Taylor. Carried all. Christensen noted the funding source on The Plan called "G.O. Bond" doesn't really indicate how the bond would be repaid. Continuing he said it's good to know that something is going to have to be bonded but it's also most important to know what would be the revenue source; how that bond would be repaid. Beimer proposed that the actual revenue source be decided upon when the project is approved. Mayor Peterson asked for a roll call vote on the main motion. Roll call vote all yes. Resolution #12-16-2013A passes as amended.

7. Parks and Recreation Director Report. On November 26th there was a meeting between Matt Siders, Superintendent O'Malley, Matt Burke and Chief Winder to discuss the Comprehensive Trails Plan and Safe Schools Routes. Holiday open gym will take place on December 27th and the 30th from 12-4:00 p.m. This is free to the public, supervised and sports equipment is provided. It was another successful Magical Night; 456 cookies were decorated.
8. Discussion and possible action on recommendation for pool renovation analysis. Council was given a revised proposal from Pool Tech. The quote for \$7,250.00 would provide the following services; inspection of all mechanical equipment, pressure testing pool lines, and testing the structural integrity of the pool shell. If approved the work would not be done until the fall of 2014 and would not disrupt the 2014 opening. Motion to approve the Parks and Rec Directors recommendation for pool renovation analysis at a cost of \$7,250.00 made by Anthony, seconded by Thompson. Carried all.
9. Public Works Director Report.
 - a. Discussion and possible action on recommendation for demolition of City owned property at 116 2nd Avenue SW. Black mold, termite damage, and rotting joists were some of the problems reported by Public Works Director Loren Hartelt; costs to fix the problems exceed the value of the building. A demolition strategy for the City owned building would be performed in such a way as to reduce the cost of demolition to the greatest extent possible. The demolition will be done by public works staff. Non-recyclable materials will be taken to the landfill and paid for, in part, by the landfill credits the City receives. Anthony made a motion to approve action as recommended by Hartelt, seconded by Taylor. Carried all.
 - b. Update on treatment materials/costs for Emerald Ash Borer infestation. Hartelt received and shared with Council a cost estimate for injecting Ash trees with a chemical treatment for the Emerald Ash Borer. The cost of \$24,236.00 would cover the chemicals and labor needed to treat 321 Ash trees. The chemical called TREEage is a liquid that's injected into the tree via holes drilled about two feet above ground. Holes are spaced every six inches around the circumference of the tree and are drilled 5/8" deep into the sapwood. This product needs to be applied once every two years and would be done by City staff. Hartelt's recommendation was to move forward and purchase the equipment needed for treatment. Christensen moved to follow-up with

Hartelt's recommendation in regards to treatment of the City owned Ash trees, seconded by Hampton. Carried all.

10. Police Report. The Mount Vernon Police Department will be conducting additional traffic enforcement during the week of Christmas. On December 11th the department assisted the MVHS with policies reviews, simulated drills and using the principles of A.L.I.C.E. A semi load of various items was delivered to Washington, Ill to help with relief for those affected by the tornado that devastated a large part of their community. This effort was led by Sgt. Shannon with the assistance of many volunteers and West Side Trucking.
11. Third and final reading of Ordinance #12-2-2013A: An Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mount Vernon, Iowa, by adding new section "Outdoor Lighting". Motion to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance #12-2-2013A made by Anthony, seconded by Taylor. Roll call vote all yes.
12. Second reading of Ordinance #12-9-2013A: An Ordinance amending Chapter 165 of the Mount Vernon code of Ordinances by amending Article 11 concerning Design Standards. Followed by possible waiving of time between second and third reading, and motion to approve on third and final reading. Motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance #12-9-2013A made by Anthony, seconded by Christensen. Roll call vote all yes. Motion to waive the time period between the second and third readings of Ordinance #12-9-2013A made by Anthony, seconded by Hampton. Roll call vote all yes. Motion to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance #12-9-2013A made by Anthony, seconded by Christensen. Roll call vote all yes.
13. Second reading of Ordinance #12-9-2013B: An Ordinance amending Section 1302 of Chapter 165 of the Mount Vernon Code of Ordinances by amending current Site Plan Review, Process and Requirements. Followed by possible waiving of time between second and third reading, and motion to approve on third and final reading. Motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance #12-9-2013B made by Anthony, seconded by Christensen. Roll call vote all yes. Motion to waive the time period between the second and third readings of Ordinance #12-9-2013B made by Anthony, seconded by Hampton. Roll call vote all yes. Motion to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance #12-9-2013B made by Anthony, seconded by Christensen. Roll call vote all yes.
14. Discussion on relationship and partnership with Cornell. Mayor Peterson said that he hoped that relations with Cornell would continue to improve. Cornell contributes to the quality of life in Mount Vernon and should be viewed as the valuable partner they are.
15. Discussion and possible action on 2014 sidewalk program. Looking at next year Mayor Peterson recommended moving forward and completing the remainder of the community. It is for the betterment of the community to move on to other things. Christensen moved that the remainder of the parcel inspections be completed and the rest of the process of Sidewalk Program; the

balance of properties as laid out by City Engineer Boggs, seconded by Anthony. Mayor Peterson stated that basically this would be Phase III, the balance of properties left in town. Carried all.

16. Discussion and possible action on uptown treescape. In the past the City took down a number of trees uptown. At this time nine trees have been taken down and nine still exist in the main block. Ed Sauter is requesting authorization to go forward with six new trees uptown with an estimated cost of \$300.00 per tree (\$1,800.00 total). Wood chips were used to fill around the two trees planted but Sauter is recommending pavers of some kind to minimize the hazard of having the square surrounding the trees open. The City would use a hydro-excavator to blow out the dirt around the trees exposing the roots allowing them to cut the roots without cutting any utilities. With the approval of the \$1,800.00 at least one individual has stepped forward saying they would like to donate to the program to increase the number of trees planted. Anthony made a motion to approve \$1,800.00 needed to remove and plant six new trees on Main Street in spring 2014, seconded by Taylor. Carried all.

17. Close of Council term-discussion and comments. Mayor Peterson, Marty Christensen, and Slaton Anthony, individually reflected over their past terms and thanked City staff for their support.

18. Old Business.

19. New Business.

20. Discussion and possible action concerning incorrectly stated construction quantities and the resulting increased costs for the Highway 30 Corridor Roundabout Project. Possible closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(c). Christensen made a motion to go into closed session, seconded by Anthony. Roll call vote all yes. Motion to come out of closed session made by Anthony, seconded by Taylor. Roll call vote all yes.

As there was no further business to attend to the meeting adjourned, the time being 8:27 p.m., December 16, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Ripke
City Clerk

Reviewed and approved
Michael R. Beimer
City Administrator