

MOUNT VERNON CITY COUNCIL  
 NOTICE & CALL OF PUBLIC MEETING  
 JULY 21, 2014

GOVERNMENTAL BODY: MOUNT VERNON CITY COUNCIL  
 DATE OF MEETING: JULY 21, 2014  
 TIME OF MEETING: 6:30 P.M.  
 PLACE OF MEETING: MOUNT VERNON CITY HALL COUNCIL  
 CHAMBERS, MOUNT VERNON, IOWA

The Mount Vernon City Council met July 21, 2014 at Mount Vernon City Hall Chambers with the following members present: Roudabush, Taylor, Thompson, Niemi and Hampton.

1. Call to Order. At 6:30 p.m. Mayor James Moore called the meeting order.
2. Approval of Agenda. There were no changes to the agenda.
3. Consent Agenda. Motion made by Hampton to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Niemi.  
 Carried all.
  - a. Approval of minutes of July 7, 2014.
  - b. Claims for approval.

AIRGAS INC	WELDING SUPPLIES	RUT WAT SEW	151.50
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	WAT	3,250.02
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	WAT	1,541.83
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	POOL	1,111.16
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	P&A CITY HALL	917.41
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	RUT	479.92
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	P&REC	422.22
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	FD	288.60
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	P&A	111.58
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	KMVL	65.07
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	STREET LIGHTS	43.61
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	STREET LIGHTS	41.06
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	SEW	29.74
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	STREET LIGHTS	26.22
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	P&REC	24.40
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	P&REC	24.18
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	SEW PLANT	4,203.88
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	ST LIGHTS	3,101.23
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	WAT	1,448.66
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	SEW	346.02
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	ST LIGHTS	81.43
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	SEW	53.00
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	ST LIGHTS	51.36
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	EMA	41.03
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	ST LIGHTS	29.61

ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	EMA	23.15
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	P&REC	22.67
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	CEM	18.73
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE	WAT	11.40
ALTORFER INC	T.C. GENERATOR	FLASH FLOOD	779.10
AMERICAN DREAM	CARPET CLEAN/CITY HALL	P&A	285.00
ANDERSON BOGERT ENGINEERS	TRAFFIC SIGNAL DESIGN	CIP RUT	4,104.00
ARAMARK	RUGS	FD	250.44
AUTO WORX	TIRE MAINTENANCE	PD	89.44
BALICHEK, RITA	CLEANING SVC	P&A	40.00
BALICHEK, RITA	CLEANING SVC	P&A	75.00
BARNYARD SCREEN PRINTER LLC	SUPPLIES	POOL	66.50
BARNYARD SCREEN PRINTER LLC	NUMBERS	P&REC	6.00
BARNYARD SCREEN PRINTER LLC	WORK SHIRTS	PW	160.00
BARNYARD SCREEN PRINTER LLC	WORK SHIRTS	RUT	136.00
BARNYARD SCREEN PRINTER LLC	WORK SHIRTS	PW	122.00
BARNYARD SCREEN PRINTER LLC	WORK SHIRTS	WAT SEW	100.00
BEIMER, MICHAEL R	laCMA MILEAGE LODGING	P&A	512.48
BENHART, SHERRIE	CLEANING SVC	P&A	40.00
BENHART, SHERRIE	CLEANING SERVICE	P&A	75.00
BOBCAT OF CEDAR RAPIDS	PARTS SKIDLOADER	PW	163.54
BOWKER MECHANICAL	WATER LINE REPAIR	WAT	2,123.37
BROTHERS MARKET	CONCESSIONS	POOL	61.19
BROWN PLUMBING COMPANY	TOILET REPAIRS	P&A	308.00
BROWN SUPPLY	HYDRANT WRENCH	WAT	864.00
CAMPBELL SUPPLY CEDAR RAPIDS	BOS GRINDER REPAIR	PW	28.88
CARQUEST OF LISBON	VEHICLE MAINT	PW	346.26
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHARGES	P&A	472.19
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHARGES	SEW	386.47
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHARGES	PD	130.90
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHARGES	WAT	64.01
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHARGES	RUT	60.01
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHARGES	POOL	59.62
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHARGES	P&A	474.04
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHARGES	SEW	416.54
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHARGES	PD	128.89
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHARGES	FD	118.31
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHARGES	POOL	68.81
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHARGES	WAT	64.41
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHARGES	RUT	60.41
CENTURY LINK	PHONE CHARGES	PD	52.82
CITY OF CEDAR RAPIDS	CR SHOOTING RANGE	PD	5,000.00
CITY TRACTOR CO	EQUIP MAINTENANCE	P&REC RUT	126.83
CITY TRACTOR CO	BELT BLADE GRAVELY	RUT	126.83
COLE PUBLIC LIBRARY	SUPPORT		58,000.00
COMMUNITY BAND	SUPPORT		1,000.00
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP	SUPPORT		15,000.00
COMPUTER BROKERS MIDWEST ELECT	TVs COMPUTORS MONITORS	BULKY ITEM	351.00
CY'S TREE SERVICE	TREE REMOVAL	RUT	7,800.00
DIESEL TURBO SERVICES	SKIDLOADER MAINT	PW	50.58
DP POWER CONSTRUCTION	SIDEWALK PROJECT		2,565.00

ECHOVISION INC	SUPPLIES	RUT	34.98
ESCO ELECTRIC COMPANY	WELL 9 FEED REPAIR	WAT	215.17
GARY'S FOODS	SUPPLIES	P&REC	143.67
GARY'S FOODS	CONCESSION STAND	POOL	1,729.34
GAZETTE COMMUNICATIONS	PW DIRECTOR	PW	392.68
GOODLOVE, NATHAN	FIRE CHIEF PAY	FD	375.00
GROUP SERVICES INC	INSURANCE	ALL DEPTS	23,461.52
HANCOCK, VALERIA	REFUND	P&REC	119.00
HAWKEYE ELECTRIC	TRAFFIC SIGNAL OUTLET		338.00
HAWKEYE ELECTRIC	TRAFFIC SIGNAL	HWY 1 REPAIR	1,586.59
HAWKEYE ELECTRIC	DISCONNECT POWER	TIF	338.00
HAWKEYE READY MIX	ROAD MAINT MAIN BREAKS	WAT	407.55
HAWKEYE READY MIX	103 COUNTRY CLUB DR	ST WAT	152.84
HAWKEYE READY MIX	STONE	RUT	40.00
HAWKEYE READY MIX	WATER MAIN BREAK	WAT	407.55
HERITAGE DAYS FOUNDATION	DONATION	ECON DEV	3,000.00
HYDROSEEDING CO	FILTERS	RUT	85.23
I WIRELESS	CELL PHONE	ALL DEPTS	125.02
ICAP	ADDT'L PREMIUM	ALL DEPTS	3,925.10
IDNR	WATER SUPPLY FEE	WAT	526.80
IIMC	ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP	P&A	145.00
IOWA ECONOMIC DEV AUTHORITY	SUMMIT	MVHPC	350.00
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	WAT SEW	54.00
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	QRTLY MAINTENANCE	ALL DEPTS	225.00
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	COMPUTER MAINT	ALL DEPTS	87.50
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY	TRAINING	FD	202.25
IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPEMENT	SNOW, HOOK CLAIM	PW	1,339.08
JOE'S QUALITY WINDOW CLEANING	WINDOW CLEANING	P&A	132.00
JOHN DEERE LANDSCAPES	ARBORJET ASH BORER	RUT	100.00
JUBECK, TRAVIS	REFUND SWIM LESSONS	POOL	25.00
KONICA MINOLTA	MAINTENACE PLAN	ALL DEPTS	688.34
KROUL FARM GARDENS	PLANTERS	CITY HALL	82.50
		P&REC	
L.L. PELLING CO INC	PREMIX	RUT	820.80
L.L. PELLING CO INC	COLD PATCH	RUT	284.04
L.L. PELLING CO INC	PREMIX	RUT	815.40
LANGES SINCLAIR SERVICE	FUEL	WAT SEW	86.69
LANGES SINCLAIR SERVICE	TOW	PW	65.00
LANGES SINCLAIR SERVICE	VEHICLE MAINT	PD	14.00
LETTER PERFECT	NAMEPLATE	P&Z	20.00
LISBON AUTO BODY	MIRROR F150	PW	163.00
LISBON MT VERNON AMBULANCE	SUPPORT		13,750.00
LYNCH FORD	REAR WINDOW TINT	PD	89.00
LYNCH FORD	5K MI MAINT	PD	60.80
LYNCH FORD	5K MAINTENANCE	PD	38.31
LYNCH FORD	5K MI MAINT	PD	38.31
MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS	RIP RAP	RUT	279.99
MATRE ARMS & AMMUNITION	SUPPLIES	PD	653.00
MOUNT VERNON POLICE RESERVES	SPECIAL EVENTS PAY	PD	16.00
OFFICE OF VEHICLE SERVICES	VEHICLE INSPECTIONS	PD	20.00
OVERHEAD DOOR CO	DOOR MAINT SHOP	RUT	256.50

PAPE, MEGAN	REFUND	POOL	25.00
PAYROLL	PAYROLL		68,491.63
PLASTIC COMPOSITES	BUCKET	SW	1,453.88
POOL TECH INC	CHEMICALS	POOL	3,086.00
POOL TECH INC	CHEMICALS	POOL	38.09
POOL TECH INC	SUPPLIES	POOL	27.50
POOL TECH INC	CHEMICALS	POOL	18.00
POOL TECH INC	CHEMICALS	POOL	248.00
POSTMASTER	UTIL BILL POSTAGE	WAT SEW SW	364.47
QCA WATER TREATMENT SERVICES	POLYMER	SEW	179.54
QCA WATER TREATMENT SVCS	POLYMER	SEW	944.22
QUALITY TRAFFIC CONTROLS	TEMP SIGNALS	TIF	8,400.00
RICKARD SIGN AND DESIGN CORP	NEW VEHICLE SIGNAGE	PD	617.50
ROTO-ROOTER	2ND ST TO A AVE SE	SEW	2,340.00
ROTO-ROOTER	5TH TO 3RD ST NW	JET EASEMENT	2,170.00
ROTO-ROOTER	4TH ST TO B AVE SE	SEW	1,288.00
SADLER POWER TRAIN	PIPE SLEEVE	WAT	164.71
SAM'S CLUB #8162	SUPPLIES	POOL	370.11
SCHIMBERG COMPANY	SUPPLIES	SEW	111.25
SCHIMBERG COMPANY	SUPPLIES	POOL	111.25
SE LINN COMMUNITY CENTER	SUPPORT		12,998.00
SELECT SERVICE	PORTABLE RR RENTALS	P&REC	170.00
SHEPLEY PHARMACY	SUPPLIES	P&REC POOL P&A P&REC	65.42 84.00
SIDERS, MATT	MONTHLY MILEAGE		
SIMMERING CORY INC	URP AMENDMENT #4		1,505.00
SIMMONS PERRINE MOYER BERGMAN	LEGAL FEES	P&A	2,797.50
SIMMONS PERRINE MOYER BERGMAN	LEGAL FEES	P&A	1,141.50
SIMMONS PERRINE MOYER BERGMAN	LEGAL FEES	RAB	195.00
SPRINGER PEST SOLUTIONS CORP	PEST CONTROL	VC P&A	30.00
SPRINGER PEST SOLUTIONS CORP	PEST CONTROL	VC , P&A	30.00
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	HP LASERJET	P&A, PW	664.95
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	SUPPLIES	ALL DEPTS	309.28
STATE HYGIENIC LAB	TESTING	SEW	1,410.00
STREB CONSTRUCTION	HWY 30 CORRIDOR IMPROV	PAY EST #10	3,568.92
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	ALL DEPTS	4,783.00
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	EPSON PRINTER	WAT SEW	810.00
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	TRAINING	ALL DEPTS	718.75
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONE	ALL DEPTS	359.13
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONE	PD	116.42
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONE	PD	33.73
UTILITY SERVICE INC	YR 2 QUARTERLY PAYMENT	WAT	12,449.08
VALUATION SERVICES INC	ABCM APPRAISAL	ROUNDAABOUT	5,000.00
WALKER AG EQUIPMENT	HUSTLER MOWER	P&REC	12,341.47
WAPSI WASTE SERVICE	GB RECY LEAF	SW	22,412.64
WATER SOLUTIONS UNLIMITED INC	CHEMICALS	WAT	2,272.50
WENDLING QUARRIES	ROAD STONE	RUT	391.62
WENDLING QUARRIES	ROAD STONE	WAT	204.69
WEX BANK	FUEL	PD PW	2,182.91
WEX BANK	FUEL	PW	1,323.53

4. Open forum: each citizen limited to 5 minutes per discussion item.
5. Discussion and possible action on the recommendation to promote Bill Kirk to Operator III. Council was given a written recommendation to promote Bill Kirk from his immediate supervisor, Dean Smyth and signed by Mayor Moore. City Administrator Mike Beimer said that he was in agreement with the promotion because of Kirk's leadership skills; given the right opportunities he will continue to grow and be an asset to the City. Hampton made a motion to approve the promotion of Bill Kirk to Operator III effective immediately, seconded by Taylor. Carried all.
6. Public hearing on the authorization of a Loan Agreement and the issuance of Notes to evidence the obligation of the City thereunder (Not to exceed \$2,700,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2014). Niemi made a motion to open the Public Hearing, seconded by Hampton. Carried all. Beimer stated that this note will fund the projects identified in the long term Capital Improvements Plan. Some of those are the reconstruction of 7<sup>th</sup> Street NW, overlay of 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW, 1<sup>st</sup> Street bridge repair, water and sewer system repairs, some crack sealing and sewer jetting. The projects identified have been estimated to cost about \$2.5 million. The bond will be repaid with LOST monies; there will not be a property tax increase. Marty Christensen asked, with this additional note, how far it takes the City to its constitutional debt limit to which Beimer replied the City will be between \$2.5 – 3 million away from "hitting the wall". Christensen asked what he recommends as the contingency buffer. Beimer said he likes to keep at least 20%. Christensen asked to what extent that doesn't enable the City to carry out to borrow for other entities that might be within the five year plan. Beimer replied that every year the City pays off approximately \$700k in principal; five years from now, if no other debt is issued there should be \$3.5 million available. Niemi motioned to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Hampton. Carried all.
7. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 7-21-2014A: A Resolution instituting proceedings to take additional action for the authorization of a loan agreement and the issuance of not to exceed \$2,700,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2014. Hampton made a motion to approve Resolution 7-21-2014A, seconded by Niemi. Roll call vote. Carried all. Beimer explained that at the next meeting there will be an official statement for Council to approve. This is a brochure that is sent out to the bond buyers. It is a requirement whenever capital loan notes are sold. It shows the City's credit worthiness, the City's reserves, and what is owed.
8. Public hearing on the authorization of a Loan Agreement and the issuance of Notes to evidence the obligation of the City thereunder (Not to exceed \$400,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2014). Niemi made a motion to open the Public Hearing, seconded by Hampton.

Carried all. Beimer said this note is for the pool renovation. The City was able to amend the Urban Renewal Plan under the auspices of economic development. The repairs are estimated to cost about \$200,000.00 but bond council's standard language of "not to exceed" and increased dollar amount allows for unanticipated expenses and under estimations. The URP was amended about one month ago; this project is applicable and will be paid for with TIF monies. Property taxes will not increase. Motion to close the Public Hearing made by Hampton, seconded by Niemi. Carried all.

9. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 7-21-2014B: A Resolution instituting proceedings to take additional action for the authorization of a loan agreement and the issuance of not to exceed \$400,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2014. Hampton motioned to approve Resolution 7-21-2014B, seconded by Taylor. Roll call vote. Carried all.
10. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 7-21-2014C: A curative resolution rescinding Resolution 7-7-2014D approved on 7-7-14 and replacing it with new Resolution 7-21-2014C to make corrections. Beimer explained this transfer resolution is a correction of the previously passed Resolution 7-7-2014D. Motion made by Niemi to rescind Resolution 7-7-2014D, seconded by Hampton. Roll call vote. Carried all. Motion by Niemi to approve Resolution 7-21-2014C, seconded by Roudabush. Roll call vote. Carried all.
11. Parks and Recreation Director Report. Scott Rose, Parks and Rec Chairperson gave the report as Matt Siders was on vacation. There is currently a list of 15 park maintenance items waiting for Public Works to complete. Work continues with the Linn County Public Health Department on the Transformation Grant. The Park and Rec Board will be discussing Nature Park Quarry and possible improvements that can be made. Siders thanked all coaches, umpires parents and kids for making this a great summer. Registration for flag football begins July 28<sup>th</sup>. The Mount Vernon Swim Team finished the season at a conference meet in Monticello. Overall they finished third out of nine teams. Online registration is at 75% for the second year it has been an option. School of Recreation classes/events are: Pullback Car Frenzy, Family Golf Day, MV-L Community Day at the Ballpark, and Archery Camp. Niemi requested clarification on the maintenance items that are a safety issue, and asked the board to contact park liaisons Niemi and Taylor on safety issues. Taylor asked if a lengthy list of items is a norm, Rose responded it was not. Moore reminded council that the storm and a shortage of manpower has resulted in some projects in the park not getting done. After a heated interchange between Moore and Rose, Niemi asked for a point of order. Taylor stated her opinion on the list of maintenance items and expressed concern over the public perception and the lack of care in the parks. Niemi asked that the entire council get a copy of the maintenance items. Hampton stated he felt there was a lack of respect from Public Works with the lack of response to Siders e-mails. Thompson said council agreed previously there is an issue with organization without a public works director. Beimer said he met with Siders and had already hired an additional PT employee and will be transferring a current part-time summer help over to parks. Beimer is addressing issues in the Public Works Department. Hampton requested the pay scale for the pool, specifically for life guards. Beimer gave an update on the cleaning of the concession/restroom at Elliott Park. Beimer further

commented the estimated cost to bring the concession up to health department code to prepare food could outweigh the revenue it would generate. Rose questioned where the additional cost of part-time and permanent help would come from. Beimer indicated it would be a budget amendment. Further council discussion centered on the possible updates to bring the building up to code. Council consensus is to give authority to Siders to research the costs of bringing the building up to code now that it is undergoing interior demolition. Rose will work with Siders. The bike racks from Liberty Iron Works are complete and are waiting for the concrete pad. Location of the bike rack placement will be researched. Public Works was directed by council to put this project on the list for completion.

12. City Engineer's report and update on public works projects. Boggs gave highlights of his report. Hwy 30 Corridor Improvements has one more change order placing an additional light on 10<sup>th</sup> Ave roundabout. The responsibility for repair/replacement of signs is city until the project has been accepted by the IDOT. Hwy 1 resurfacing project, the patching and overlay is down, but still needs inserts in structures. Bypass; short meeting and decisions made to address storm water collection. Road Use has been funded by Congress. Seventh Street from Eighth to Fifth, no start date. Neighborhood meeting is scheduled and notices have been sent out. Overlay projects in process. Pipe bursting for sewer replacement may need public letting. Roudabush expressed concern over cost of sign replacement of roundabout signs. The City is completing some of the punch list items for the roundabout. Taylor questioned the possibility of landscaping and other features might help keep vehicles off the roundabout, and be an option once the bypass goes through. As this is a gateway to the community, Taylor asked that council consider possible aesthetics. Roudabush felt items in the center would be a distraction, and they need to be kept to a minimum. Boggs said he was hoping to let contracts for Fifth and Third overlay. Update on sidewalk project, running a year behind. Storm projects: sanitary sewer backup on north side of town, storm sewer under Cornell football field and track, televised and needs review. Twin Creeks lift station: replacement of generator that was flooded, not worth money to repair it. Getting bids to raise generator foundation. Signals on 1<sup>st</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup>: Mast arms are required by the IDOT for safety. Two signals heads are required, and only one needs to be an arm, with two total. Boggs is researching using poles from Alliant and signal heads from the City of Marion. Poles are required on First Avenue but not on First Street. Poles will be placed differently to help alleviate the issues with trucks. Further comment from Niemi centered on review of lighting, Historic Preservation and change the set back out of the traffic stream. Boggs project for this week is getting the site plan completed for the traffic lights. Beimer appraised council of the \$8,400.00 monthly cost of the current temporary lights and IDOT denial of the wooden poles and lights from Marion. Boggs explained that the IDOT doesn't want another temporary solution. Materials have a 6-12 week lead time once the project has been let out for bid. Boggs will discuss again with IDOT if a permanent solution is in progress, then they may allow the wooden poles. Council agreed to a special meeting if needed to approve lighting.
13. Old Business. Taylor asked for a date for inclusion on the agenda and discussion of the Community Center report bringing in members from the Ad Hoc Committee. Niemi asked that stake holders be invited to provide input and nail down commitments, and asked for

clarifications on the report, specifically the executive summary. Council consensus was for a council work session to review the entire report. Roudabush commented on the donation for the fireworks as money well spent.

14. New Business. Hampton asked for the procedure for the hourly hiring process, as far as job posting, etc. Beimer commented the city is an equal opportunity employer and always followed the letter of the law as far as hiring. As the first council meeting in September falls on a holiday, the date for the meeting needs to be set for the bond requirements. After council discussion, preference was for September 8, 2014. Mayor will be gone on August 4<sup>th</sup>.

As there was no further business to attend to the meeting adjourned the, time being 8:20 p.m., July 21, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Ripke  
City Clerk

Reviewed and approved,  
Michael R. Beimer  
City Administrator