

The Mount Vernon City Council met April 2, 2018 at the Mount Vernon City Hall Council Chambers with the following members present: Roudabush, West, Wieseler, Christensen and Rose.

Call to Order. Mayor Jamie Hampton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Hampton stated that Joe Horaney from the Solid Waste Agency was scheduled to speak in the Communications section of the Agenda but because he was unable to attend the meeting Executive Director Karmin McShane will speak in his place.

Agenda Additions/Agenda Approval. Motion made by Wieseler to approve the amended Agenda seconded by Rose. Carried all.

Consent Agenda. Motion made by Rose seconded by West to approve the Consent Agenda. Carried all.
Approval of City Council Minutes – March 19, 2018 Regular Council Meeting
Approval of City Council Joint Planning Session – March 21, 2018

Public Hearing

Public Hearing on the Preliminary Plat of Hickory Acres First Addition to the City of Mt. Vernon. Mayor Hampton declared the Public Hearing open. Close Public Hearing – proceed to G-1. Chad Pelley, applicant and owner of Hickory Acres, was in attendance to answer any questions Council might have. Mayor Hampton closed the Public Hearing.

Resolutions for Approval

Resolution #4-2-2018A: Approving the Preliminary Plat of Hickory Acres First Addition to the City of Mt. Vernon. Council was provided a copy of the Planning and Zoning Commission minutes recommending the approval of Hickory Acres Subdivision. Because the cost of water and sewer extensions are not practicable at this time no utilities are being extended for the plat. The four homes will be served by a private drive and will be responsible for their own maintenance. Permission will be requested for septic and private wells on each of the proposed lots. Roudabush motioned to approve Resolution #4-2-2018A, seconded by Wieseler. Roll call vote. Motion passes.

Resolution #4-2-2018B: Approving the City of Mt. Vernon K-9 Program and Establishing Program Guidelines. At the previous meeting (March 19, 2018) Christensen expressed concern regarding the recurring costs involved in maintaining a K-9 program. Council asked staff to draft a resolution supporting the K-9 program but to also include their concerns. City Administrator Nosbisch explained that this draft of the K-9 resolutions' intent is that there should not be an increase in future capital requirements and once the K-9 dog retires the program is reviewed. Nosbisch explained that if another town wanted to hire our handler we would negotiate the sale of the canine officer and the dog. Chief Shannon said that if the officer gets hurt and is unable to continue working with the dog it can be returned to the training company. The only changes suggested was that the "K-9 officer" in point #2 be changed to read "K-9 dog" and the lines 4 and 5 will be removed. Motion to approve Resolution #4-2-2018B approving the creation of the City of Mount Vernon K-9 program and establishing program guidelines as presented with the suggested edits, seconded by West. Roll call vote. Motion carries.

Motions for Approval

Consideration of Claims List – Motion to Approve. Rose motioned to approve the Claims List, seconded by Wieseler. Carried all.

AHLERS & COONEY P.C.	BBAJ, LLC	1,896.78
AHLERS & COONEY P.C.	AMENDMENT #5 URP	232.00
AHLERS & COONEY P.C.	MIDWEST DEV CO	85.00
AHLERS & COONEY P.C.	SPRING MEADOW HEIGHTS URP	12.00
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE-WAT	1,153.69
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE-WAT	399.16
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE-ST LIGHTS	44.88
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE-SEW	28.29
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE-P&REC	21.26
BARNYARD SCREEN PRINTER LLC	T-SHIRTS-P&REC	157.50
BAUMAN AND COMPANY	UNIFORMS-RUT	169.00
BROWN SUPPLY COMPANY	SUPPLIES-WAT	1,016.80
BSN SPORTS COLLEGIATE PACIFIC	SOCCER GOAL-P&REC	499.38
CATHY PODUSKA	SOCCER REFUND-P&REC	33.00
CHRIS NOSBISCH	MILEAGE-P&A	192.39
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP	HOTEL/MOTEL TAX PYMT	9,088.29
CONFLUENCE	CORRIDOR STUDY	6,250.00
CUMMINS SALES AND SERVICE	BATTERY CHARGER-WAT	653.82
DIESEL TURBO SERVICES INC	VEHICLE MAINT-RUT	209.54
DIESEL TURBO SERVICES INC	EQUIP-REPAIRS-RUT	26.40
DOORS INC	DOOR LOCKS (5)-WAT	1,380.00
ELECTRIC PUMP	MOTOR STARTER/PUMP #2-SEW	315.00
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING CORP	INFORMATION SYSTEMS-PW	319.60
FRANCESCA LEE THOMPSON	CLEANING SERVICE-P&A	120.00
FRANCESCA LEE THOMPSON	CLEANING SERVICE-P&A	60.00
GLENN WOLFE	HVAC MAINT-P&A	469.08
GORDON LUMBER COMPANY	BLDG SUPPLIES	25.30
IOWA COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOC	TRAINING-PD	65.00
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES	SUPPLIES-RUT	290.62
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	BUSINESS INTERNET SERVICES	363.00
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	PATCH MGMT,FIREWALL-PD	59.00
JOAN BURGE	CLEANING SERVICE-P&A	120.00
JOAN BURGE	CLEANING SERVICE-P&A	60.00
JULIE WHEAT	SOCCER REFUND-P&REC	33.00
L.L. PELLING CO INC	COLD PATCH-RUT	742.50
LINN CO-OP OIL CO	FUEL-PW	1,122.44
M & K DUST CONTROL	BLACK DIRT-RUT	300.00
MARTIN EQUIPMENT	SOLENOID REPAIR-RUT	347.94
MATT SIDERS	MILEAGE-P&REC	154.78
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET-P&A	256.51
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET-PD	256.51
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET-WAT	189.30
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET-P&REC	158.98
MOUNT VERNON, CITY OF	POSTAGE-P&A	29.00
NEAL'S WATER CONDITIONING SERVICE	WATER/SALT-RUT,P&A	108.90
OPN ARCHITECTS	WELLNESS CENTER/STUDY PHASE I	30,365.08
P&K MIDWEST INC	3 PT BLADE-RUT	135.36
PAYROLL	CLAIMS	1,653.75
PAYROLL	CLAIMS	58,385.83
POSTMASTER	UTIL BILL POSTAGE-WAT,SEW,SW	358.68
ROBERT BUSER	IAEM MEMBERSHIP-EMA	190.00

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SIMMERING CORY IOWA CODIFICATION	CODE UPDATES-P&A	227.00
SIMMONS PERRINE MOYER BERGMAN	LEGAL FEES-P&A	1,050.00
SIMMONS PERRINE MOYER BERGMAN	LEGAL FEES-P&A	645.00
SPRAY-LAND USA	PLUG-RUT	12.75
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	SUPPLIES-ALL DEPTS	169.67
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	VAC BAGS,PAPER-ALL DEPTS	107.96
SUE RIPKE	MILEAGE-ALL DEPTS	70.85
SUSAN HARGUS	BAGS-MVHPC	253.24
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	3,516.00
US BANK	CREDIT CARD PURCHASES-ALL DEPTS	4,197.04
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONE-RUT,P&REC	156.76
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	WWTP IMPROVEMENTS	6,950.00
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	CITY ENGINEERING GENERAL	442.25
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	WAGON PASS EVALUATION	291.00
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	5TH AVE/1ST ST W TRAFFIC SIGNAL	212.00
WAPSI WASTE SERVICE	GB,RECY,LEAF-SW	23,993.91
WAPSI WASTE SERVICE	RECY-SW	827.26
WATER SOLUTIONS UNLIMITED INC	CHEMICALS-WAT	4,417.50
	TOTAL	168,269.53

Discussion and Consideration of City of Mt. Vernon Personnel Policy Handbook – Council Action as Needed. Staff has been working on a new personnel manual for the past eight months. It is dependent on the Unions’ contract and so could not be finished until negotiations were completed. It’s been several years since the last update. No action was taken. Council was encouraged to contact Nobsisch with questions or concerns before the final draft.

Discussion Items (No Action)

TIF Incentive Matrix. Staff has designed a matrix that can be used for future commercial and industrial developments. The matrix will treat all businesses the same should the Council desire to enter into development agreements.

Solid Waste Contract Update. Staff has met with the Finance Committee regarding the Solid Waste Contract. Their sentiment is to stay with Wapsi Waste with the only change being a three year contract instead of five.

Reports of Mayor/Council/Administrator

City Administrator’s Report. Spring leaf pickup is delayed one week due to the snow fall that occurred March 23-24, 2018. Fundraising efforts for the Wellness Center have been going well. The public works department hosted a free workshop on snow operations, snow removal and de-icing techniques through APWA. Design for the south alley streetscape is almost complete and will be presented to Council soon. MVHPC is reviewing the 5th Ave and 1st Street intersection improvements.

As there was no further business to attend to the meeting adjourned the time being 7:59 p.m., April 2, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Ripke
City Clerk