

**MT. VERNON CITY COUNCIL**

**Council Minutes**

**October 11, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Mt. Vernon City Council was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Weston Frank, with the following council members present: D. Anderson, D. Renken, C. Powell, S. Kayser, R. DeKok and D. Moke. Also present: Maint. Officer G. Deinert, and Fin. Officer L. Mayclin, In attendance for public participation: Loren Brech, Amy Sweet, Ron Schulz and Eric Ambroson (District III.)

Pledge of Allegiance was recited to begin the meeting. All motions are unanimously approved unless otherwise stated.

Motion by DeKok, second by Anderson to approve the agenda.

Brech, Sweet, and Schulz were all interested in the process for FEMA flood maps. Council explained that the city is working on an appeal, which may or may not change the maps, but will likely delay the process. We are also looking into various forms of mitigation for the city. These two things are being done at the city level. Individuals may file a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) after the maps go into effect. This LOMA would need to be filed, along with documentation, such as a survey, showing that an individual property isn't in the flood zone. This LOMA cannot be filed until the maps go into effect. However, it is not too early to start preparing right away. The City participates in the NFIP program, so individuals can get insurance through NFIP or private insurance companies.

Council is speaking with an engineering firm to see about a rate for their services for residents. We will send a letter out to all individuals who received the original letter about the flood map changes, letting all know about the engineering services. Deinert and Anderson will be using a transit to check elevation for individuals in town. Mayclin will update Facebook and the city website with any updates during this process.

Motion by DeKok, second by Renken to approve consent items for September. The following were approved: Financial Statement, Council Minutes, General Fund Balances, Credits Report/Bank Statement and Payment of Bills.

	<u>General</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>City Tax</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Sewer Surcharge</u>	<u>Description</u>
Weston Frank	217.02					wages
David Anderson	106.20					wages
Connor Powell	106.20					wages
Dave Renken	106.20					wages
Sherri Kayser	106.20					wages
Roger DeKok	106.20					wages
Darin Moke	60.03					wages
Ardis Overweg	566.06					wages
Gene Deinert	3,300.16	230.87				wages
Laura Mayclin	967.24					wages
Glen Wentland	158.91					wages
MV School	75.00					rent
Davison Rural Water		8,947.20				water
SD Retirement	554.64					retire
Verizon	61.31					util
Santel	238.04			45.55		util
Northwestern Energy	1,149.02	251.96	20.15	107.57		util
Petrik	2,696.25					garb
Forum Communication	106.95					publ
SD State Treasurer (DOR)	226.47					sales tax
SD Unempl Ins	54.34					Unempl

CorTrust	1,711.55	38.26		941
Menards	104.62			supplies
Westy's	308.73			Fuel
SD-DOH		196.00		Lab
J&W Marketing	172.50			mgmt
SD Magazine	45.00			Subsc.
Ardis Overweg	91.74			supplies
Dakota Pump			420.75	Repairs
MVG&O	174.36			Fuel
American Garage Door	274.49			Repairs
NASASP	39.00			Dues
Mitchell Roofing	9,282.53			Repairs
SD Mail	138.00			
Cortrust Visa	738.18	612.15	138.67	supplies
Schoenfelder	1,153.06			
USBank				16,346.28 Project

### OLD BUSINESS

1. Renken is looking at spraying the ceiling at The Hall for acoustics. Deinert is checking to see if Mitchell Roofing is finished with the siding at The Hall.
2. Council discussed the recent Code Enforcement update.
3. Frank is working on the fee structure for violations in the animal ordinance and will present it next month.
4. Eric Ambrosen presented the Mt. Vernon Comprehensive Plan for District III.

### NEW BUSINESS

1. Council went into Executive Session for personnel and legal SDCL 1-25-2.1 and 2.3. at 8:48.
2. Motion by Anderson, second by Renken to leave Executive Session at 9:40.
3. Motion by Powell, second by Moke to offer the position of Maintenance Officer at \$50,000 to a candidate this week. There will be \$3,798 additional when the candidate becomes certified for the Water Department, and a \$500 bonus if the candidate has or obtains a CDL. Candidate will also receive paid holidays, vacation, and SD State Retirement. This position will be set to start on December 1.

Motion by Moke, second by DeKok to adjourn at 9:42 p.m.

Weston Frank  
Mayor

Laura Mayclin  
Finance Officer

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