

MT. VERNON CITY COUNCIL
Council Minutes
November 9, 2020

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, B. Hohbach, C. Powell, D. Maltzberger, and D. London. Also present: Maint. Officer G. Deinert, and Fin. Officer L. Mayclin. Present for public participation was Jennifer Booth. Pledge of Allegiance was recited to begin the meeting. All motions are unanimously approved unless otherwise stated. Motion by Maltzberger, second by Hohbach to approve the agenda.

Jennifer Booth attended the council meeting with a concern about a utility bill. The concern was resolved.

Motion by Anderson, second by Hohbach to approve a budget amendment for the General Government Buildings Department, increasing it by \$101 for increase in insurance cost.

Motion by London, second by Powell to approve consent items for October: Financial Statement, Council Minutes, General Fund Balances, Credits Report/Bank Statement and Payment of Bills.

BILLS:

	General	Water	City Tax	Sewer	Description
Weston Frank	170.85				wages
Dan London	60.03				wages
David Anderson	60.03				wages
Dave Renken	60.03				wages
Brett Hohbach	60.03				wages
Connor Powell	60.03				wages
Darin Maltzberger	60.03				wages
Ardis Overweg	527.10				wages
Gene Deinert	3,260.75	230.87			wages
Laura Mayclin	1,041.12				wages
Glen Wentland	166.94				wages
MV School	75.00				rent
Davison Rural Water		7,643.00			water
SD Retirement	544.60				retire
Verizon	57.92				util
Santel	233.73			45.45	util
Northwestern Energy	962.84	363.11	51.64	199.71	util
Petrik	3,700.13				garb
Forum Comm. - Daily Rep	95.23				publ
SD State Treasurer (DOR)	208.12				sales tax
CorTrust	1,659.01	38.26			941
Menards	165.29	97.79			supplies
Westy's	166.38				gas
SD-DOH		331.00			gas
Ardis Overweg	558.66				books
Bender's				451.00	Repairs
Davison County	3,661.80				Maint
SD 811 One Call	4.48				Locates
Mitchell Iron & Supply	237.02				Maint
J&W Marketing	172.50				mgmt
Zach Scott	1,646.83				Repairs
Laura Mayclin - exp	94.71				supplies
Firesteel Service	648.15				Repairs

Northwest Pipe & Fitting		335.94		supplies
Scott Supply	166.53			Repairs
Runnings	277.87			supplies
SDML	2,825.00			Insurance
Central Square	39.33	39.33	39.34	supplies
CES - Code Enf. Spec.	1,113.75			Code Enf
Hohbach	299.24			Maint
Daktronics	960.00			Repairs
Scott Supply	5,985.00			Equip

OLD BUSINESS

1. Exit signs are installed at the Hall, and we have a new renter for one of the offices. There is another possible renter for one of the other offices. Frank has been looking at storage racks for the tables and chairs, and the door locks are being updated, hopefully this week.
2. The MV Economic Development Group closed on 402 N. Cotton and currently has no more homes available. They are brainstorming ideas for their next project to benefit the city, not necessarily additional housing.
3. Covid-19 cases have increased again in the area. Hospitals are being challenged to keep up with medical staffing, as they are requiring quarantine for Covid-19 exposures.
4. Motion by London, second by Anderson to approve the first reading of ordinance 6.7.7, which outlines protocol for lawn mowing.
5. Council gave approval to the code enforcement officer to send out abatement letters of two properties that have been in noncompliance, providing they are still in noncompliance. London will contact officer to discuss. We will discuss delivery of letters at December meeting, to come up with a plan, as several people weren't able to get certified letters.
6. We are still working on signs for the Main Street Project, and Geno is checking all options for barriers.
7. Council looked over the agreement with Otterstrom and Thill. We are waiting to be certain of details of the outcome of the transaction. When billing arrives, Otterstrom will pay ½ of attorney fees.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Maintenance Officer report: Deinert is still working to get our streets repaired and has been told we are on the schedule in the coming week. Deinert got a quote from Erickson Tree Service for \$2,500 to remove the trees on the Duvall property that hang over Main St. The city asked Duvall to have them removed, as they could damage the street, or worse, they could cause injury if they fall onto Main St. The city also needs to have them removed in order to dredge. As such, the city is willing to pay ½ of the cost to remove them. Deinert is also working on the cement board at The Hall.
2. Finance Officer report: Mayclin has received the claim settlement information from the hail damage and is awaiting Mitchell Roofing estimate. There is an addition of the pump house to the claim, which was damaged in the same hail storm.
3. Motion by Anderson, second by Maltsberger to approve Liquor Licenses for Wermers and Westy's .
4. Mayclin will be setting up new accounts in ASYST to track renters at The Hall, so we can keep up with rent due easier. These payments will be due by the 31st of the month for the following month's rent.
5. The Davison Rural Water has an upcoming increase, which will be in place at the first of the year. This will cause the water portion of our bill to go up to \$35 per month. This comes to a \$1 increase in our bill, bringing the total for most residents, those using a normal garbage tote and up to 5,000 gallons of water usage, to \$91.00 per month. This will be reflected on our February 2021 bill, for utilities used in January.
6. Motion be Hohbach, second by London that, due to Christmas Concerts at school, the December meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 7 p.m.
7. With the recent legislative changes on marijuana sales, the city will be looking into what we need in our ordinances. Mayclin will submit an inquiry through the South Dakota Municipal League to see what other cities are doing to address this.

Motion by Hohbach, second by Powell to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

Weston Frank
Mayor

Laura Mayclin
Finance Officer

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