

**MT. VERNON CITY COUNCIL**

**Council Minutes**

**June 13, 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, R. DeKok, S. Kayser, and D. Moke. Also present: Maint. Officer G. Deinert, Fin. Officer L. Mayclin. Ryan Yanez, representing Ringneck & Western Railroad, Alan Schroeder, and John Fraser were in attendance for public participation. Pledge of Allegiance was recited to begin the meeting. All motions are unanimously approved unless otherwise stated.

Motion by Moke, second by Kayser to approve the agenda.

Yanez advised council that the railroad company approved the project to repair the crossing, but that they were unable to get materials for 60 to 90 days. The railroad company and council will meet to discuss options for interim handling of the two crossings in Mt. Vernon. The City will not be assisting with the cost of repairs at this time, but will look for funding opportunities for the project at a later date.

Schroeder spoke with council regarding citywide cleanup and various code enforcement issues. He will contact Joel Johnson, code enforcement officer, with an update.

Fraser addressed council to express his concerns with the money being promised to the railroad company for repairs to the railroad crossing that the city should not be financially obligated to fix. Council advised him that the project had been postponed, and as they now have additional time, they are seeking other forms of funding.

Powell spoke for the fire department, which was seeking a temporary beer license for an upcoming event. Council advised that no temporary license is required, as it will be held at Wermers, which already has a license.

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

**BILLS:**

Weston Frank	170.85				wages	
David Anderson	60.03				wages	
Connor Powell	60.03				wages	
Dave Renken	60.03				wages	
Sherri Kayser	60.03				wages	
Roger DeKok	60.03				wages	
Darin Moke	60.03				wages	
Ardis Overweg	566.06				wages	
Gene Deinert	3,300.16	230.87			wages	
Laura Mayclin	881.01				wages	
Christopher Mayer	384.05				wages	
Glen Wentland	185.40				wages	
MV School	75.00				rent	
Davison Rural Water		6,669.60			water	
SD Retirement	554.64				retire	
Verizon	122.58				util	
Santel	238.14			44.92	util	
Northwestern Energy	1,087.55	226.92		40.16	159.66	util
Davison Co Sheriff	1,800.00				fees	
Petrik	3,922.05				garb	
Forum Communication	774.46				publ	
SD State Treasurer (DOR)	247.24				sales tax	

CorTrust	1,707.10	38.26		941
Menards	824.01			supplies
Westy's	616.62			Fuel
MVG&O	392.87			Fuel
SD DOH		15.00		Lab
J&W Marketing	167.50			mgmt
Cortrust Visa	174.61	391.55	133.34	supplies
Planning/Dev Dist. III	500.00			Maint
A&G Diesel	170.45			Maint
Scott Supply	45.34			Repairs
Brosz Engineering	500.00			Eng
TSD Construction	539.26			Repairs
Kalissa Mayclin	100.00			Maint
Hohbach	5,209.07			Lighting

### OLD BUSINESS

1. Frank informed council he has rented out one of the offices at The Hall. He said there will also be a blood drive coming up.
2. Moke will be speaking with Joel Johnson about several violations in town.
3. Anderson and Kayser will be working on a list of addresses that have changes included in the flood maps. The next step will be to talk to our state representatives and senators for any areas in question. There will be a public meeting with new flood maps when everything is finalized

### NEW BUSINESS

1. G. Deinert mentioned a house in town that was mowed by the city. The owner , Meyer, says it is now owned by the state. Meyer was supposed to get paperwork to Mayclin regarding the ownership. At this time, we may need to place a lien on the property. We will contact the courthouse to find out details on ownership. Deinert will be ordering a new pump for the lift station.
2. Mayclin reported that the Senior Citizens Group sent their thanks for the donation from the city. She will be going through the ordinances to see if all are updated. She has sent a question to Mitchell Republic for the recent billings, which seem high. She got clarification on the special meeting held in May, with council deciding to not be paid for that meeting.
3. DANR Surface Water Discharge Permit paperwork was signed.
4. Drinking Water Report was presented and will go out with the June water billing.
5. District III intent to join was signed.
6. SDML Workers' Compensation Fund Change of Policy was signed.
7. Anderson is working on DOT grants, along with District III and Brosz Engineering.
8. The ordinance on council meetings was discussed and Anderson will further research state statutes. We will continue this discussion at the July meeting.
9. Council wanted to give a special thank you to Petrik Sanitation for going above and beyond recently, when one of the totes had overflow garbage. Petrik gathered all the garbage by hand to be certain there was no mess left on the street.
10. Executive Session for personnel and legal SDCL 1-25-2.1 and 2.3. was not necessary.

Motion by Renken, second by Kayser to adjourn at 8:30 p.m.

Weston Frank  
Mayor

Laura Mayclin  
Finance Officer

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